

**Notification of Reduced Power Operation and
Request for Special Temporary Authorization**

TV Translator Station W08DP, Springfield, IL (Facility ID 70620)

West Central Illinois Educational Telecommunications Corp. (“WCIETC”), licensee of noncommercial educational TV translator Station W08DP, Springfield, Illinois, notifies the FCC of the reduced power operation of W08DP, and respectfully requests Special Temporary Authorization (“STA”) for the reduced power operation for thirty (30) or more days.

By online filing in FCC File No. 0000025275, WCIETC previously notified the Commission that W08DP had temporarily suspended operations as of June 18, 2017 due to technical and equipment problems, including transmitter damage, and requested Silent STA. The FCC granted the Silent STA on June 28, 2017, and WCIETC later filed a request for extension of the Silent STA on December 6, 2017 in FCC File No. 0000036028.

On June 12, 2018, WCIETC achieved restoration of the on-air service for W08DP by resuming the translator station’s operation at a reduced power, with an ERP of approximately 6 watts. WCIETC is concurrently filing a notification of resumption of operation for W08DP in addition to this reduced power notification and STA request.

A grant of reduced power STA will serve the public interest by authorizing WCIETC to utilize the restored operation of this TV translator station to provide noncommercial educational TV programming to the Springfield area in anticipation of a long-term solution to the translator facility’s technical issues. WCIETC’s mission is to collaborate with people and organizations in the communities it serves to bring quality programming, learning opportunities and economic development to its region.

WCIETC is a noncommercial educational licensee and it operates W08DP on a noncommercial educational basis. The licensee is therefore exempt from FCC filing fee requirements, pursuant to Section 1.1116 of the Commission’s Rules, and the facility is exempt from FCC regulatory fees, pursuant to Section 1.1162 of the Rules.