

REASONS FOR EXTENSION OF CONSTRUCTION PERMIT

WQSJ-CD HAS CONFRONTED SERIOUS DIFFICULTIES IN PART CAUSED BY HURRICANE MARIA, THAT STRAINED THE AVAILABILITY OF RIGGERS IN PUERTO RICO; ADDITIONALLY, THE STATION REPACK WAS SUBSTANTIALLY MOVED AHEAD OF SCHEDULE DUE TO THE NEED TO VACATE THE PUERTO RICO OUT OF CORE SPECTRUM BY AUGUST 1st, 2018. THE PROCESS OF PAYMENT OF LOCAL TAXES AND COORDINATION OF DELIVERY OF EQUIPMENT TO THE SITE HAS ALSO ADDED TO THE DELAY IN GETTING THE EQUIPMENT ON HAND, ALL OF WHICH HAS CREATED DIFFICULTIES TO COMPLETE THE WQSJ-CD REPACK. THE STATION WILL BEGIN OPERATIONS ONCE THE NEW MAIN TRANSMITTER AND ANTENNA CAN BE INSTALLED, WHICH NOW IT IS ANTICIPATED WILL HAPPEN WITHIN THE NEXT THREE MONTHS, BY THE END OF OCTOBER 2018. THE STATION IS COMMITTED TO TURN OFF ITS PRE-AUCTION CHANNEL 48 BY JULY 31st AND TO THAT EFFECT IS CONCURRENTLY FILING A SILENT STA TO GO DARK COME AUGUST 1st. A 6-MONTH EXTENSION OF THE CURRENT CP IS REQUESTED TO ALLOW WQSJ-CD TO COMPLETE AND LICENSE ITS FINAL FACILITY AS PER THE SPECS OF ITS CONSTRUCTION PERMIT.