W14DC-D, Portsmouth, VA

Facility #49409

Request for extension of silent authority STA 0000058933

13 February, 2019

W14DC-D was forced off the air on August 6 due to expiration of the site lease. Continuing operations from that location was considered untenable and all equipment had to be removed from the site. The station would have been displaced from channel 14 on 10/19/2019 anyway when WNLO-CD is scheduled to begin testing on channel 14.

The tower structural study held up progress for 4 months but an alternate location has been secured and a displacement CP issued to move to channel 26 (0000054143) at that site. Ventana will soon apply for an STA to resume operations on its licensed channel 14 until it can move to channel 26 on 9/6/2019 when WRLH-TV is scheduled to complete its repack to channel 24. Since the tower study came back positive Ventana is moving ahead as quickly as possible to obtain that STA and build the facility. The lease is being signed and the new transmission line has already been ordered.

Therefore, Ventana Television Inc. seeks additional temporary relief from section 74.763(b) in the form of an extension of its silent STA.

This application is in the public interest by enabling W14DC-D to return to normal broadcasting as soon as the STA can be obtained and the new facility can be constructed.

An extension of the silent STA is requested for an additional six months from the date of this application.