

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authority

Nexstar Broadcasting, Inc., the licensee of KLBK-TV, Lubbock, Texas, FAC ID 3660 (the “Station”), respectfully requests an extension of special temporary authority (“STA”) to continue operating interim facilities on its post-auction Channel 31. See FCC LMS File No. 0000063689. The current STA is slated to expire on May 28, 2019.

KLBK-TV, originally assigned to Phase One Transition, with a corresponding November 30, 2018 transition deadline, sought and received authority to extend its construction permit (“CP”) deadline until May 29, 2019. See FCC LMS File No. 0000063734. KLBK-TV, operating with interim facilities, transitioned from its pre-auction Channel 40 to its post-auction Channel 31 on November 28, 2018. See FCC LMS File No. 0000036783.

Due to unanticipated and unavoidable weather delays, including torrential rain, flooding, high winds and tornadoes, the KLBK-TV rigging schedule has been delayed. The tower crew was scheduled to coincide with the delivery date in order to off load the 58-foot, 12,000-pound antenna prior to installation on the top of 830-foot tower. The rigging crew, scheduled to install the Station’s antenna in the first week of May 2019, will not be available to offload the antenna or commence the installation until after the first week of June 2019. Consequently, Nexstar requires additional time to complete KLBK-TV’s final post-transition facility. Accordingly, Nexstar respectfully requests a further extension of its STA to continue operations while post-auction final facilities are completed. Grant of this STA would be in the public interest as it would allow the station to remain on the air while Nexstar completes the KLBK-TV post-auction facility.