

REASONS FOR REQUESTING ENGINEERING STA – WIVE-LD

WIVE-LP HAS BEEN UNDER A SILENT STA FOR OVER A YEAR, PAST THE MARCH 6, 2019 DEADLINE PROVIDED BY THE FCC FOR SILENT STA EXTENSIONS FOR PUERTO RICO AND VI BROADCAST FACILITIES DUE TO THE EXTENSIVE DAMAGES SUFFERED DURING HURRICANE MARIA. THE STATION WAS DISPLACED BY THE FCC TV AUCTION AND IS NO LONGER ABLE TO OPERATE ON NOW OUT OF CORE CHANNEL 42. THE STATION RECENTLY OBTAINED A DIGITAL COMPANION CHANNEL CP ON CHANNEL 32, WIVE-LD, AND IS WORKING ASSIDUOUSLY TO CONSTRUCT IT, WHICH WILL TAKE SOME TIME DUE TO EQUIPMENT DELIVERY CONSTRAINTS AND PENDING TOWER REPAIR ISSUES. IN THE INTERIM, THE STATION IS REQUESTING A SIX-MONTH ENGINEERING STA TO OPERATE A 1.5 KW ERP REDUCED POWER FACILITY WITH SIGNIFICANT COVERAGE, AS ILLUSTRATED IN FIGURE 1.