

## **Request for Tolling of Construction Permit**

Wanda Rolon (“Licensee”), licensee of Digital Class A Station WSJN-CD, San Juan, PR (Facility ID No. 48239) (the “Station”), requests, pursuant to Section 73.3598(b) of the FCC’s rules, tolling of the Station’s repack construction permit (File No. 0000034542). This request is necessary due to damage sustained by the Station during Hurricane Maria.

As the Commission is well aware, Hurricane Maria devastated the island of Puerto Rico in October 2017. WSJN was one of the many stations damaged during the storm. In fact, the Station’s tower was completely destroyed.

On January 11, 2018, the Media Bureau granted Licensee’s request to modify the Station’s post-auction transition phase deadline to permit the Station to transition to its post-auction channel 22 prior to the start of Phase 1 due to damage sustained to its transmission facilities during Hurricane Maria. The Station was assigned a new testing period start date of July 1, 2018 and was required to cease operation on its pre-auction channel by August 1, 2018. The Station has since gone on the air on its post-auction channel under interim facilities via an STA. *See* File No. 00000798900.

On April 5, 2019, the FCC extended the Station’s CP to January 28, 2019, and on April 5, 2019, the FCC tolled the construction permit deadline to October 2, 2019. During that time, Licensee has worked diligently to construct the Station’s new tower, but significant work remains outstanding. Since the FCC tolled the construction permit deadline on April 5, 2019, the Station has been working on local permits for the new antenna structure facilities. Surveyor and engineering studies were done. On June 1<sup>st</sup> 2019 new local construction codes for antennas structures began to take effect. Design changes were necessary to comply with the new regulation. However, obtaining the necessary resources to restore the Station’s facilities remains challenging, as Hurricane Maria has greatly strained the availability of riggers and materials in Puerto Rico.

Section 73.3598(b) of the Commission’s rules lists certain causes not under the control of a permittee that shall toll the period of construction for a construction permit. Among those causes are natural disasters, which includes hurricanes. Accordingly, tolling of the Station’s constructing permit is hereby requested to allow Licensee additional time to construct the Station’s new tower.