

Request for Special Temporary Authority
WNPT Facility ID 41398

Nashville Public Television, Inc., licensee of WNPT, Nashville, Tennessee, Facility ID 41398 (the “Station”), holds a Construction Permit (“CP”) (File No. 0000028116) authorizing construction of its post-auction facilities, which currently is set to expire on the Phase 10 deadline of July 3, 2020. As detailed below, the Station expects that it will not be able to meet this build-out deadline and, therefore, requests special temporary authority (“STA”) to operate on its post-transition channel using a low-power auxiliary transmitter.

The Station expects that it will be unable to meet its Phase 10 deadline because of construction delays. The Station’s transition requires construction and installation of a new antenna. However, the Station’s vendor recently informed it that this work will not be completed by the Phase 10 deadline, as the vendor needs more time to complete installation of the antenna. In order to meet the Phase 10 transition deadline, the Station intends to operate on its post-transition channel using a low-power auxiliary transmitter.¹ Accordingly, the Station respectfully requests STA to operate using a low-power auxiliary in order to avoid any disruption to the repack or to viewers in the market.

¹ As detailed in the concurrently filed CP extension request, the Station anticipates being able to build-out its facilities in the next three months and return to full-power service as soon as the new antenna is fully operational.