

STA Request

Station KTTU has been operating with power reduced to 1 Kw since May 19, 2020 (see Reduced Power Notification 0000114700, Filed May 28, 2020). KTTU-TV, Inc., the licensee of KTTU, hereby requests special temporary authority to continue operating KTTU with reduced power.

The licensee is in the process of replacing the transmitter with a new solid-state unit, but installation has been delayed by a mandatory evacuation of the transmitter area caused by the 'Bighorn' wildfire in the Tucson area. The situation is dynamic; however, installation of the new solid-state transmitter is scheduled to begin on July 6, 2020. The licensee anticipates that the installation will take three to four weeks.

In light of the on-going emergency situation, it would be in the public's interest to allow KTTU to continue operating and serving the community. Therefore, out of an abundance of caution, KTTU-TV, Inc. requests a six-month STA to allow sufficient time to ensure that the wildfire is contained, and the installation can be completed.