

Notification of Silent Status and Silent STA Request

TV Red de Puerto Rico ("TV Red"), licensee of station W21DD-D, Facility ID 183414 herein notifies is silent status and requests a Silent STA for a period of three months. TV Red is in the process of rebuilding the facilities of its LPTV stations, including W21DD-D which has a CP due to expire on 8/9/2021. In the meantime, the station has been operating under a recently granted Eng. STA File # 0000113763 0000113762. The requested silent STA, together with other silent requests, will allow TV Red to recoup financially, a necessary economic relief for its survival.

This silent STA will also help TV Red to consolidate the STA operations of stations W17DL-D, W23EM-D, W34ED-D, W25EF-D, and W21DD-D, two of which , W23EM and WW34ED, have the grant of their. STA pending; the consolidation of these stations into one channel-sharing STA will also help TV Red financially.

Puerto Rico has experienced an extremely difficult situation including an unprecedented series of natural disasters: Hurricane Maria, significant earthquakes (more than 525 seismic events that have not stopped and further damaged the electrical grid - see FCC Public Notice DA 20-28). Puerto Rico entered bankruptcy on May 2017, an exceptionally difficult financial situation, and now has been hit by the Covid-19 pandemic. These events have seriously damaged the economy and disrupted life in general in Puerto Rico, and consequently severely disrupted the operation of the LPTV stations of TV Red, including W21DD-D.

W21DD-D went silent on September 28, 2020 and expect to be back on the air before the existing Eng. STA expires on December 2, 2020.