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WGOX-LD

FI 130457

Tolling Waiver Request

WGOX-LD was displaced during the 2018 LPTV/TV Translator window to an in core channel 36 from channel 43.

The installation has been plagued with difficulty since the early spring of 2021.

Attached is an email from the Site Engineer, updating the latest issues.

The station is operating at a reduced power of 8kW ERP and respectfully requests and extension of the Construction Permit # 0000053940, while the final transmitter and tower issues are resolved.

Station has been affected by Tropical Storm/Hurricane Fred and may have additional delays due to weather as we progress through hurricane season.

Respectfully submitted,
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Subject: TV STATION REPORT
Date: Fri, Aug 13, 2021 4:35 pm

1. We are on the air with a stable signal running some 8,000 Watts ERP. Temperature is being well maintained. I am greatly encouraged, see below.
2. Anywave is sending us a custom shipping case for PA#1. Anywave engineer diagnosed two problems: One of the 2 redundant power supplies had died, and one of the 8 power output devices (or a small component supporting it) had died, and of course, most of the newly repaired fans had died.
3. Today, the tower crew putting up an antenna for WBHY hit a snag with Clearview on the wording of their Certificate of Insurance and had to stand down to get that straightened out. ***We are Not Directly Involved***
4. Clearview also objected to their plan and required them to mount their new cable on the cable ladder along side our new cable path that they had already approved.
5. With us now within the cone of Fred for Monday, I have some doubt that they will be up the tower Monday. However, they might be finished and ready to do our job middle of the week and we could be done with that. Let me know of your approval. **Same tower crew as being used for WBHY.**
6. Although we have a stable signal on the air, best I have ever seen on WGOX, the extremely narrow bandwidth of the program transport makes for a tenuous situation. Even the small bandwidth occupied by remote control, squeezed through the circuit along side program, often freezes the picture.

I find that the broadband suppliers are rapidly getting more competitive, so I would like for us to try once more to see who is willing to provide high speed internet at a lower price. If can do, your station will be operating on a much more solid footing, and at a lower monthly cost.
7. The Anywave lady called and began telling me all we were going to have to do, to go around to all the Repack vendors and get their signed statements saying they had gotten their money. I said – How about we get the bank to email front and back copies of all the checks to Dr. Roberts – wouldn't that do, and save a lot of time and hassle? And Expense. She agreed. So if you would do that, ask your banker to send you the copies of the front and back of all the processed checks, that should show who negotiated the checks and there should be no question about it when the FCC auditors come to call. You should be fully protected against having to pay any of the money back.
8. Working with the Clearview Air Conditioning service company, we got them to reconfigure the ductwork to blow the cooled air directly down and into the transmitter intake.
9. We have had a further breakthrough on control of the environmental situation at the transmitter, which I have campaigned on for an actual year, which will help immensely in both the short and the long run. I hope to have that implemented in the next two weeks, possibly done in coordination with the transmission line changeout. This change will negate the room's negative-pressure situation which pulls hot, humid, and sometimes dirty air in through our Hepa 13 filter box.
10. While Derrick was out at the transmitter investigating the water in the breaker box problem, which we solved, we installed a heavy duty surge protector on the 240 volt line to add additional spike protection to the transmitter.

11. We are going to need to put in for an extension of the c.p.
12. My new emergency power generator was just delivered and I believe I have done all I can do for the cause today,

So I am going to go out, assemble it, commission it, and do the 4 hour break-in run before the next storm hits. Maybe fill up all the gasoline and propane tanks also. I don't really expect much from Fred, but then there is Greta.

Please call anytime,

Howard