

Supplemental Information Regarding WTIN-TV Online Public Inspection File

WTIN-TV operates as a satellite of Station WAPA-TV, San Juan, Puerto Rico. As the Licensee reported in its renewal application, certain quarterly issues programs lists were not uploaded to the Station's online public inspection file in accordance with the timing requirements of Section 73.3526 of the Commission's rules. Some of these reports came due during the period of time when Station WTIN-TV, and its parent station, WAPA-TV, were dealing with the impact of Hurricanes Maria and Irma, which struck Puerto Rico in quick succession in September 2017 and caused damage on a massive scale. WAPA-TV's tower was destroyed and WTIN-TV's tower was severely damaged. Both WAPA-TV and WTIN-TV requested authority to go silent on September 20, 2017. WAPA-TV remained off the air for over a year, although it was able to make arrangements to transmit programming using a digital multicast stream of another television station. On November 7, 2018, WAPA-TV filed a request for an engineering STA to operate from modified facilities with lower power than authorized. WTIN-TV was able to resume operations from interim facilities using significantly lower power in late October 2017 pursuant to an engineering STA.

It is clear that the back-to-back hurricanes had a very disruptive impact on the Station's operations. For several months following the hurricanes, the Licensee was primarily focused on attempting to provide viewers with some level of broadcast television service while the island tried to recover from the enormous destruction of the hurricanes. During this extremely challenging time, the Licensee inadvertently failed to upload the quarterly lists for the third quarter of 2017 and the first several quarters of 2018 in a timely manner. In addition, the Station experienced substantial staff turnover.

In accordance with the FCC's Public Notice dated November 9, 2017 (DA 17-1101), the Station's third quarter 2017 report was not uploaded late.