

Explanation Regarding Request for Special Temporary Authority

WAND(TV) Partnership (“WAND”), licensee of W33EK-D, Effingham, Illinois and pursuant to Section 73.1635(a)(3) of the Commission’s rules, hereby requests Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to operate W33EK-D at reduced power.

On March 16, 2022, the translator power amplifier failed, forcing the station to reduce power from 2.2 KW to 1.67 kW. WAND has sent the unit back to the manufacturer for repair, who estimates that the repair will be complete within the next two-three weeks. Since the station will be operating at reduced power for more than 30 days, WAND hereby requests grant of the instant STA as grant of this request for STA would serve the public interest by allowing the station to remain on the air, providing uninterrupted service to its viewers.