

**Request for Emergency Special Temporary Authority
Sinclair Media Licensee, LLC
K20CN-D (Fac. ID No. 8247)
Fortuna, Rio Dell, CA**

EXPLANATION OF CIRCUMSTANCES

Sinclair Media Licensee, LLC, (“Sinclair Media” or “Licensee”) licensee of station K20CN-D (Facility ID No. 8247) (the “Station”), hereby notifies the Commission that the Station temporarily suspended service on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 and requests Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) to remain off the air while Licensee determines the extent of the damage and arranges for repairs.

K20CN-D was forced to temporarily suspend service on Wednesday, January 4, 2023 following the major rain and wind storms that swept through the west coast earlier this month. Licensee has determined that high winds ripped a vent off the building resulting in extensive water damage to the terminal gear and possibly the transmitter. Continuing severe weather has delayed repairs as high winds and heavy rains entering the building necessitated shutting power to the transmission system and prevented inspection of the facilities.

Licensee is in the process of retaining crews to inspect the facilities and make all repairs needed to return K20CN-D to the air. It is anticipated that the required repairs can be completed in the near future, at which time Licensee will return the broadcast operations of the station.

In accordance with Section 73.1635 of the Commission’s Rules, Licensee hereby requests STA for the Station to remain silent for the maximum permissible length of time under the circumstances. Licensee requests silent STA for 180 days from the date that service was suspended and will update the Commission regarding its progress making the required repairs and return of station operations as applicable.