

Certification Regarding Compliance with Core Programming Processing Guidelines

The station aired an average of at least three hours per stream of regularly scheduled educational/informational (“E/I”) programming each week during the license term while such requirement was in place and has aired at least three hours of regularly scheduled E/I programming per week since September 16, 2019 (when the current Commission processing guidelines went into effect). However, some episodes of E/I programming that aired on the station’s NBC-affiliated main programming stream were preempted by the network’s coverage of sporting events and not rescheduled on the “second home” during the third and fourth quarters of 2016, 2017, 2018, and the first, second and third quarters of 2019. As a result, these rescheduled episodes do not count toward the station’s “Core Programming” hours for the quarter, and the station cannot certify with respect to such quarters that it fully satisfied the Core Programming processing guidelines that were in place at that time. We note that because the station provided notice to consumers of the rescheduled date and time for all of the preempted episodes and all of these rescheduled programs aired between the hours of 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. and within seven days of the originally scheduled air date, the station would have been able to certify compliance for these quarters under the Commission’s current processing guidelines, which eliminated the second home requirement.

The station is committed to serving the educational and informational needs of children, as demonstrated by its broadcast and non-broadcast efforts. During several quarters over the license term, the station aired more than three hours of Core Programming per week on its multicast streams, and aired additional E/I programming outside of the Core Programming hours. Additionally, as noted in the station’s Children’s Television Programming Reports throughout the license term, news talent visited local school classes, station staff mentored local students and worked with in-station interns, the station hosted educational station tours for students in the community and aired educational segments.