

Request for Further Extension of Special Temporary Authority

Scripps Broadcasting Holdings LLC (“Scripps Broadcasting”), licensee of NextGen TV station KASW(TV), Phoenix, Arizona (Facility ID No. 7143) (“KASW”), hereby requests further extension of the legal special temporary authority (“STA”) granted on July 1, 2021 (LMS File No. 0000147623), and last extended on December 30, 2022 (LMS File No. 0000205627), in connection with the operation of KASW as a NextGen TV broadcast facility in the Phoenix market.

Pursuant to the STA, KASW’s non-primary multicast streams are aired using the ATSC 1.0 standard, with no ATSC 3.0 simulcast, on KPNX(TV), Mesa, Arizona (Facility ID No. 35486) (“KPNX”), licensed to Multimedia Holdings Corporation, KTVK(TV), Phoenix, Arizona (Facility ID No. 40993) (“KTVK”), licensed to Gray Television Licensee, LLC, and KSAZ-TV, Phoenix, Arizona (Facility ID No. 35587) (“KSAZ-TV”), licensed to NW Communications of Phoenix, Inc. Under the STA, and for purposes of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and the Commission’s rules and regulations, KASW’s *GRIT* multicast stream is considered to be originated by KASW even though it is being aired over KPNX’s facilities, KASW’s *ION Mystery* (which was previously named *Court TV Mystery*¹) multicast stream is considered to be originated by KASW even though it is being aired over KTVK’s facilities, and KASW’s *HSN* multicast stream is considered to be originated by KASW even though it is being aired over KSAZ-TV’s facilities.

As explained in Scripps Broadcasting’s original STA request, because of ATSC 1.0 capacity constraints, KASW is not able to air its non-primary multicast streams on the same host station as its primary ATSC 1.0 programming stream. Furthermore, due to ATSC 3.0 capacity and other constraints attendant with the multi-station and multi-market coordination needed for a successful ATSC 3.0 deployment across the country, it is not feasible for KASW’s ATSC 3.0 facility to simulcast KASW’s non-primary multicast streams in the ATSC 3.0 standard without unduly minimizing, if not largely eliminating, the benefits to the public and the participating stations of transitioning to ATSC 3.0. Absent the ATSC 1.0 non-primary multicast stream hosting arrangements with KPNX, KTVK, and KSAZ-TV, and without the clarity that the STA provides, Scripps Broadcasting may not be able to continue to provide KASW’s non-primary multicast streams over the air, which could result in a complete loss of service to all of the over-the-air viewers of these streams.

Accordingly, Scripps Broadcasting respectfully requests a further extension of the STA to continue the authorization of KASW’s broadcast of its non-primary multicast streams using the ATSC 1.0 standard, with no ATSC 3.0 simulcast as follows:

- *GRIT* on KPNX’s ATSC 1.0 facilities;
- *ION Mystery* (which was previously named *Court TV Mystery*) on KTVK’s ATSC 1.0 facilities; and
- *HSN* on KSAZ-TV’s ATSC 1.0 facilities.

Grant of an extension of the STA will serve the public interest as it will advance the Commission’s ATSC 3.0 policy goals, facilitate the deployment of ATSC 3.0 in light of the evolving nature of ATSC 3.0 deployment, and promote the continued over-the-air transmission of KASW’s non-primary multicast streams in the ATSC 1.0 standard.

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¹ *Court TV Mystery* was rebranded as *ION Mystery* starting February 24, 2022.