

Request for Extension of Special Temporary Authorization

NCE Station **KMBV, Valentine, NE (Facility ID 171632)**

Pursuant to Sections 73.1560(d) and 73.1635 of the FCC's rules, MyBridge, licensee of noncommercial educational radio station KMBV-FM, Valentine, Nebraska, respectfully requests an extension of the Special Temporary Authority to maintain reduced power status as in the Engineering STA filed March 1, 2023 (file number 0000211689) and granted on March 8, 2023.

The reduced power enables the station to continue to operate with the damaged antenna while we work with the tower owner to finalize the tower lease and order the equipment to build out the station at the more substantial tower location indicated on the Construction Permit granted in January 2022 (file number 0000162638.)

The tower owner has encountered unexpected delays with the landowner regarding the land lease. We have completed all the steps required of us (tower loading study, for example) and are prepared to finish ordering the equipment and begin construction of a new equipment building as soon as the landowner approves the land lease. This delay is quite frustrating to us, as we had planned to complete the project this summer. We are doing all we can to advance the resolution of the lease.

As a listener-supported station, we can best utilize our listeners' contributions to complete the CP at a much better location rather than replace equipment at a site we will be vacating soon. In addition, the current tower can't accommodate a heavier and more robust antenna.

A grant of reduced power STA will serve the public interest by authorizing the station to maintain without interruption the station's noncommercial educational radio operation for it's local community pending completion of the CP. There are very few stations in that area and listeners will continue to benefit from the availability of current, local, Nebraska-based programming.