

STA PURPOSE

This STA Request is to continue giving service to Culebra and surrounding areas from an alternate site in the nearby Island of Vieques. Culebra has suffered a great impact from hurricane Maria, a Category 5 tropical storm that devastated all Puerto Rico, U.S.V.I and the Caribbean in September 2017. Most recently Hurricane Fiona, a Category 4 storm hit Puerto Rico like hurricane category One adding more damages and a delay in the recovery process mainly the Power Grid of the Island. Culebra after six years are in recovery process since electrical grid are bringing a very unstable power service. With this hurricane transportation services from Puerto Rico mainland have worsened and is very difficult to get a ticket to visit the transmitter site for service. Vieques that is bigger and with a larger population, has received a better and stable power service than that guarantees continued power service for WNVE-FM be on the air bringing news, music and station community service.

As soon local Power Energy Company continues improving its electrical grid to Culebra soon, we will restore full service from the main licensed site.