

KPAX-DT, Missoula, Montana (Facility ID No. 35455)
 Request for Extension and Modification of STA
 Exhibit 36
 July 2006

KPAX Communications, Inc. (“KPAX”), permittee of the above-referenced digital television station (“Station”), pursuant to Section 73.1635 of the Commission’s rules, hereby respectfully requests a *nunc pro tunc* six-month extension and modification of the Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) for KPAX to operate DTV facilities with parameters at variance from the Station’s construction permit. The Commission initially granted STA on April 14, 2003 (See FCC File No. BDSTA-20030327AIP), and most recently extended STA on January 23, 2006, for a term expiring on July 1, 2006 (See FCC File No. BEDSTA-20051114AKY). To comply with the July 1, 2006 DTV build-out deadline, the Station found it was able to use a top-mounted antenna and therefore installed such while crews were present. The Station is operating at the previously authorized 8.35 kW.

This request seeks authority for low power DTV operations pursuant to Paragraphs 34-36 of the *Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration* in MM Docket No. 00-39, 16 FCC Rcd 20594 (2001) (“Reconsideration Order”). The technical data for the requested facilities is provided below. The requested facilities comply with the FCC’s rules, including with the FCC’s minimum initial build-out requirements, FAA and FCC tower requirements, the FCC’s community of license coverage requirement, and the FCC’s environmental rules governing radio frequency (“RF”) radiation. The Station’s proposed coverage does not exceed that resulting from the allotted parameters in Appendix B (DTV Table of Allotments) of the *Second Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration of the Fifth and Sixth Report and Orders* or the parameters in the Station’s construction permit.

A *nunc pro tunc* extension and modification of the STA would serve the public interest by ensuring the continued provision of digital service to the Station’s community of license. In the unlikely event that unacceptable interference is caused, KPAX is willing to take all reasonable steps to eliminate such prohibited interference, including modifying operating parameters or ceasing operation, if necessary. KPAX understands that grant of STA does not provide any permanent authority to operate the Station in the manner proposed.

	Authorized DTV Facilities BMPCDT-20011025ABQ	Initial STA Facilities BDSTA-20030327AIP	Requested DTV Facilities
Channel	7	7	7
Maximum Effective Radiated Power	28 kW	8.35 kW	8.35 kW
Height Above Average Terrain	623 meters	627.8 meters	653 meters
Directional/Non- Directional Antenna	Non-directional	Directional	Non-directional
Transmitter Site Coordinates (NAD27)	47-01-06N, 114-00-41W	47-01-06N, 114-00-41W	47-01-06N, 114-00-41W