

Request for Digital Special Temporary Authority

On behalf of Telefutura Partnership of Flagstaff (“Telefutura”), permittee of digital television station KFPH-DT, Flagstaff, Arizona, this filing is to request modification of its Special Temporary Authority to operate the station’s DTV facility with parameters at variance from those authorized in its digital television construction permit (FCC File No. BPCDT-19990924AAS). The most current STA was granted on October 11, 2005 and is due to expire on April 11, 2006 (FCC File No. BEDSTA-20050809AGE).

On December 20 2002, the Commission granted a request for Special Temporary Authority (FCC File No. BDSTA-20021216ABG) to permit station KFPH-DT to commence operations at the KFPH-DT authorized site with reduced transmitting facilities. This authority was granted pursuant to special provisions set forth in *Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television*, Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration, 16 FCC Rcd 20594, ¶¶ 34-36 (2001), and served to extend the expiration date of the station’s underlying DTV construction permit.

On February 10, 2005, KFPH-DT participated in the first round of the digital channel election process and filed an election for channel 13, its current NTSC channel (FCC File No. BFRECT-20050210ASJ). As such, by July 1, 2006, the Commission’s “use-it-or-lose-it” rules require the station to serve at least 80% of the viewers served by the station’s 1997 analog facility. *See Second Periodic Review of the Commission’s Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television*, Report and Order, FCC 04-192, ¶ 3 (2004). The proposed STA modification will allow the station’s digital signal to meet this threshold requirement.