

Request for Authority to Use Post-Transition Facility

WWDP-TV-DT, Norwell, Massachusetts, hereby requests Special Temporary Authority (STA) to commence operations on February 18, 2009 on Channel 10, its authorized post-transition channel. WJAR-TV, Providence, Rhode Island, which operates in analog on Channel 10, has informed the Commission that it will terminate broadcasting on that channel by February 17. FCC File No. BLSTA-20090202BQO. WWDP's operation on Channel 10 will not result in prohibited levels of interference to any station.

WWDP's request is directly related to the transition to digital television. WWDP terminated its pre-transition digital service on Channel 52 on October 15, 2008. *See* FCC File No. BDSTA-20080815AAU. This step was necessary to allow for removal of the Channel 52 antenna and the related transmitter, and the mounting of the antenna and placement of the transmitter for Channel 10 operations. That work has now been completed. Recommencement of digital transmission by WWDP will help to complete the public's transition to digital television in the Boston DMA. WWDP will continue to broadcast in analog on Channel 46 until March 14, 2009 to ensure that there is no disruption to viewers who receive WWDP over cable systems and other multichannel video program distributors, and to help assure that viewers will not lose access to WWDP's programming.