

Cause of Silent Status of W280CP

During an intense windstorm on April 5-6, 2018, the transmitting antenna array and coax of FM translator station W280CP sustained severe damage, and tore from their mountings. The transmitter was then promptly turned off.

Then, we began evaluating whether it was more advisable to repair the damage to the antenna array and coax or replace the damaged components, the antenna equipment was discarded without our knowledge.

We have new antennas on order from SCMS with expected delivery at the end of November 2018. We plan to install the antennas in December 2018, weather permitting. At a minimum, the translator will be back on the air well before April of next year.

On May 9, 2018, we prepared the notification to the FCC that the translator was off the air and concomitant request for authority to remain silent. We attempted to file it with the FCC and believed that it had been filed. Unfortunately, however, there must have been some malfunction with CDBS or some error on our part. When we went back into CDBS recently in order to file for an extension, we discovered that the application prepared in May somehow had not actually gotten through to 'filed' status. We are taking steps to ensure that FCC filings will be monitored more closely in the future so that all such documents move over to the 'public' side of CDBS as desired.