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Re: WWPX-DT, Martinsburg, WV  
Petition for Rulemaking  
Amendment of Section 73.622(i)  
DTV Channel Substitution  
File No. BPRM-20080619ALR  
Facility ID No. 23264

WDCW-DT, Washington, DC  
Application for Digital Construction  
Permit  
File No. BMPCDT-20080619AGG  
Facility ID No. 30576

Dear Counsel:

This is with respect to the above-referenced rulemaking petition filed by Paxson Washington-60 License, Inc., seeking to substitute DTV channel 51 for the assigned channel 12 for WWPX-DT, Martinsburg, West Virginia, and the maximization application filed by WDCW Broadcasting, Inc. for television station WDCW-DT, Washington, DC. Our engineering analysis shows that the facility proposed in WDCW-DT's application is predicted to cause interference to 10.4% of the population within the noise limited contour of the facility proposed in the WWPX-DT rulemaking petition. Accordingly, the above-referenced rulemaking petition and application are mutually-exclusive.

When the Commission lifted the freeze on the filing of DTV maximization applications and petitions for digital channel substitutions,<sup>1</sup> it announced that until the end of the statutory DTV transition on February 17, 2009, mutually-exclusive applicants would be provided a 30-day period of time to resolve their mutual-exclusivity via engineering amendment or settlement, rather than the 90-day period afforded by Section 73.623(h) of the rules.<sup>2</sup> Similarly, we also shorten the settlement period for rulemaking petitions and

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<sup>1</sup> See "Commission Lifts the Freeze on the Filing of Maximization Applications and Petitions for Digital Channel Substitutions, Effective Immediately," *Public Notice*, DA 08-1213, released May 30, 2008.

<sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 73.623(h)(3).

mutually-exclusive maximization applications that were received on or before June 20, 2008. If the parties resolve their mutual-exclusivity, we will continue the rulemaking process by issuing the appropriate order and will also continue processing the maximization application. If the parties are unable to resolve their mutual-exclusivity, we will dismiss the rulemaking petition and the maximization application.

Accordingly, the parties have 30 days from the date of this letter to resolve their mutual-exclusivity, either by entering into an interference consent agreement or proposing engineering solutions to eliminate the amount of interference. Submissions involving an application must be filed electronically on FCC Forms 301 and/or 340 using the Commission's Consolidated Database System ("CDBS") via the Internet from the Media Bureau's Web site at

<http://www/fcc/gov/mb/cdb.html>

or

[http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/prod/cdb/forms/prod/cdb\\_ef.htm](http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/prod/cdb/forms/prod/cdb_ef.htm).

Submissions involving a rulemaking petition must be filed with the Office of the Secretary and an electronic copy sent to [joyce.bernstein@fcc.gov](mailto:joyce.bernstein@fcc.gov) and [ron.graser@fcc.gov](mailto:ron.graser@fcc.gov).

Sincerely,

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