

Request for Reduced Power STA for W231AB

WUNC Public Radio, LLC (“WUNC” or “Licensee”), respectfully requests special temporary authority to continue to operate W231AB at reduced power. The Licensee acquired W231AB earlier this year, as authorized in CDBS File No. BALFT-20191118AAK and consummated on June 25, 2020. In May 2019—prior to the aforementioned purchase—the prior licensee sought and obtained special temporary authority to operate at the same reduced power WUNC is requesting in this application (i.e., to operate at 15 watts ERP, rather than W231AB’s currently authorized 80 watts ERP). *See* CDBS File No. BSTA-20190530AAL. The Licensee cannot currently operate W231AB at greater than 15 watts ERP due to an equipment malfunction in W231AB’s power amplifier that occurred under the prior licensee’s ownership and for which replacement parts are no longer manufactured. The Licensee is working to develop an alternative plan to restore W231AB to full-power operations, but is requesting this STA to cover the interim period of reduced-power operations before the next plan is executed and put into place. The Licensee only recently discovered that the prior licensee’s STA had expired, and is filing this STA request promptly after discovering that prior STA lapse. Accordingly, to the extent necessary, the Licensee respectfully requests a waiver of the filing deadline to extend the prior STA, which was an authorization held by the prior licensee. *See* CDBS File No. BSTA-20190530AAL.

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