

## **ENGINEERING EXHIBIT**

### **Application for Post-Transition Digital Television Station Construction Permit**

prepared for

#### **WGAL Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc.**

WGAL-DT Lancaster, PA

Facility ID 53930

Ch. 8 5.4 kW 419 m

*WGAL Hearst-Argyle Television, Inc. (“Hearst-Argyle”)* is the licensee of television station WGAL(TV), analog Channel 8 and digital Channel 58, Lancaster, PA. *Hearst-Argyle* herein proposes construction of the WGAL-DT post-transition digital facility on Channel 8. This channel was established in Appendix B of the Seventh Report and Order in MB Docket 87-278.

The instant proposal specifies an effective radiated power (“ERP”) of 5.4 kW at 419 meters antenna height above average terrain (“HAAT”), with a nondirectional antenna. The proposed coverage extends beyond that of the Appendix B parameters<sup>1</sup> of 5.4 kW ERP and 415 meters HAAT. The Appendix B facility contour location falls short of the WGAL analog Channel 8 Grade B contour. Further, the Appendix B facility incorporates a theoretical directional antenna pattern due to the impact of non-uniform terrain and the differences in the F(50,50) and F(50,90) propagation curves.

The proposed digital Channel 8 operation will employ the existing non-directional antenna system licensed for WGAL’s analog Channel 8. The antenna is a horizontally polarized RCA model TW-9A8-R. The antenna is top-mounted on the existing WGAL antenna supporting structure, having FCC Antenna Structure Registration (“ASR”) number 1031756. No change to the overall structure height and no tower work are required to carry out this proposal.

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<sup>1</sup> The Appendix B parameters for WGAL-DT Channel 8 were changed to 5.4 kW ERP and 415 meters antenna HAAT (replication) in the Reconsideration Memorandum Opinion and Order in MM Docket 87-268, FCC 08-72, released March 6, 2008.

A map is supplied as **Figure 1**, which depicts the standard predicted coverage contours. This map includes the location of Lancaster, WGAL-DT's principal community. As demonstrated thereon, the proposed facility complies with §73.625(a)(1), as the entire principal community will be encompassed by the 43 dBμ contour.

The proposed WGAL-DT facility's predicted service population provides a 103.3 percent match of the Appendix B facility, as detailed in the table below.

**Post-Transition Population Summary**

Population Summary (2000 Census) OET Bulletin 69 method	Appendix B	Proposed
Within Noise Limited Contour	5,089,460	5,225,166
Not affected by terrain losses	4,241,096	4,425,079
Lost to all interference	152,951	201,343
Net DTV Service	<b>4,088,145</b>	<b>4,223,736</b>
Match of Appendix B	---	<b>103.32%</b>

### **Freeze Waiver Request**

A waiver of the Commission's August 3, 2004 "freeze" concerning expansion in service area<sup>2</sup> is requested. The proposal complies with the criteria for a freeze waiver request outlined in the Report and Order in the Third Periodic Review.<sup>3</sup> WGAL-DT will change channel for post-transition operation and will employ its existing analog antenna.

The map attached as **Figure 2** supplies a comparison of the 36 dBμ digital service contour corresponding to the proposed WGAL-DT facility and the Appendix B parameters. As shown thereon, the amount of contour extension does not exceed five miles at any azimuth.

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<sup>2</sup>Public Notice "Freeze on the Filing of Certain TV and DTV Requests for Allotment or Service Area Changes," DA 04-2446, released August 3, 2004.

<sup>3</sup>Third Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, MB Docket No. 07-91, FCC 07-228, released December 31, 2007.

Absent the waiver, the WGAL-DT non-directional ERP would have to be reduced to 4.1 kW to avoid a contour extension. At this power level, the resulting DTV service contour would not cover 138,807 persons within an area of 780.5 sq. km that are presently within the WGAL analog Grade B contour. The potential loss area is depicted in **Figure 2A**.

A detailed interference study per OET Bulletin 69<sup>4</sup> shows that the proposal complies with the 0.5 percent limit of new interference caused to other stations' Appendix B facilities, as summarized below. Protection requirements towards authorized Class A stations are also satisfied.

**Post-Transition Interference Analysis Summary**

Ch	Call Sign	State/City Facility ID	Power (kW) HAAT (m)	Dist (km) Bear (°T)	Appendix B Baseline Population (2000 Census)	New Interference From Proposal Population	Percent
7	WJLA-DT	DC WASHINGTON 1051	13.6 235	126.7 198.3	7,250,864	122	0.00%
8	WNJB-DT	NJ NEW BRUNSWICK 48457	20.2 212	191.2 69.3	16,912,908	7,237	0.04%
8	WWCP-DT	PA JOHNSTOWN 20295	6.5 352	216.5 275.2	2,536,570	1,351	0.05%
8	WICZ-DT	NY BINGHAMTON 62210	7.9 371	231.6 13.9	751,045	0	0.00%
9	WBPH-DT	PA BETHLEHEM 60850	3.2 284	116.2 59.1	5,211,835	0	0.00%
9	WUSA-DT	DC WASHINGTON 65593	13.6 235	126.7 198.3	7,238,057	0	0.00%

<sup>4</sup>FCC Office of Engineering and Technology Bulletin number 69, *Longley-Rice Methodology for Evaluating TV Coverage and Interference*, February 6, 2004 ("OET-69"). The implementation of OET-69 for this study followed the guidelines of OET-69 as specified therein. A standard cell size of 2 km was employed. Comparisons of various results of this computer program (run on a Sun Sparc processor) to the Commission's implementation of OET-69 show excellent correlation.

### **Other Allocation Considerations**

The nearest FCC monitoring station is 98.1 km distant at Laurel, MD. This exceeds the threshold minimum distance specified in §73.1030(c)(3) that would suggest consideration of the monitoring station. The site is not located within the areas requiring coordination with “quiet” zones specified in §73.1030(a) and (b). There are no AM stations within 3.2 kilometers of the site, based on information contained within the Commission’s database. The site location is within the Canadian coordination zone (367 km to the Canada border), thus further international coordination may be necessary beyond that to establish Appendix B parameters.

### **Human Exposure to Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Field (Environmental)**

The proposal will involve use of an existing transmitting antenna. The use of existing transmitting locations has been characterized as being environmentally preferable by the Commission, according to Note 1 of §1.1306 of the FCC Rules. No tower construction or change in structure height is proposed. Therefore, it is believed that this application may be categorically excluded from environmental processing pursuant to §1.1306 of the Commission’s rules.

The proposed operation was evaluated for human exposure to RF energy using the procedures outlined in the Commission’s OET Bulletin Number 65. Based on OET-65 equation (10), and assuming the worst-case of 100% antenna relative field in downward elevations, the calculated power density attributable to the proposed facility at locations near the transmitter site at a height of two meters above ground level is  $3.2 \mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ , which is 1.6 percent of the “uncontrolled / general public” maximum permissible exposure limit. This is below the five percent threshold limit described in §1.1307(b) regarding sites with multiple emitters, categorically excluding the applicant from responsibility for taking any corrective action in the areas where the proposal’s contribution is less than five percent. When the antenna’s elevation pattern is considered, the calculated RF exposure level will be even lower.

The general public will not be exposed to RF levels attributable to the proposal in excess of the FCC’s guidelines. RF exposure warning signs will continue to be posted. With respect to worker safety, the applicant will coordinate exposure procedures with all pertinent stations and will

reduce power or cease operation as necessary to protect persons having access to the site, tower or antenna from RF electromagnetic field exposure in excess of FCC guidelines.

### **Certification**

The undersigned hereby certifies that the foregoing statement and associated attachments were prepared by him or under his direction, and that they are true and correct to the best of his knowledge and belief.

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March 13, 2008

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### List of Attachments

Figure 1	Proposed Coverage Contours
Figure 2	Coverage Contour Comparison
Figure 2A	Potential Loss Area Without Waiver
Form 301	Saved Version of Engineering Sections from FCC Form at Time of Upload

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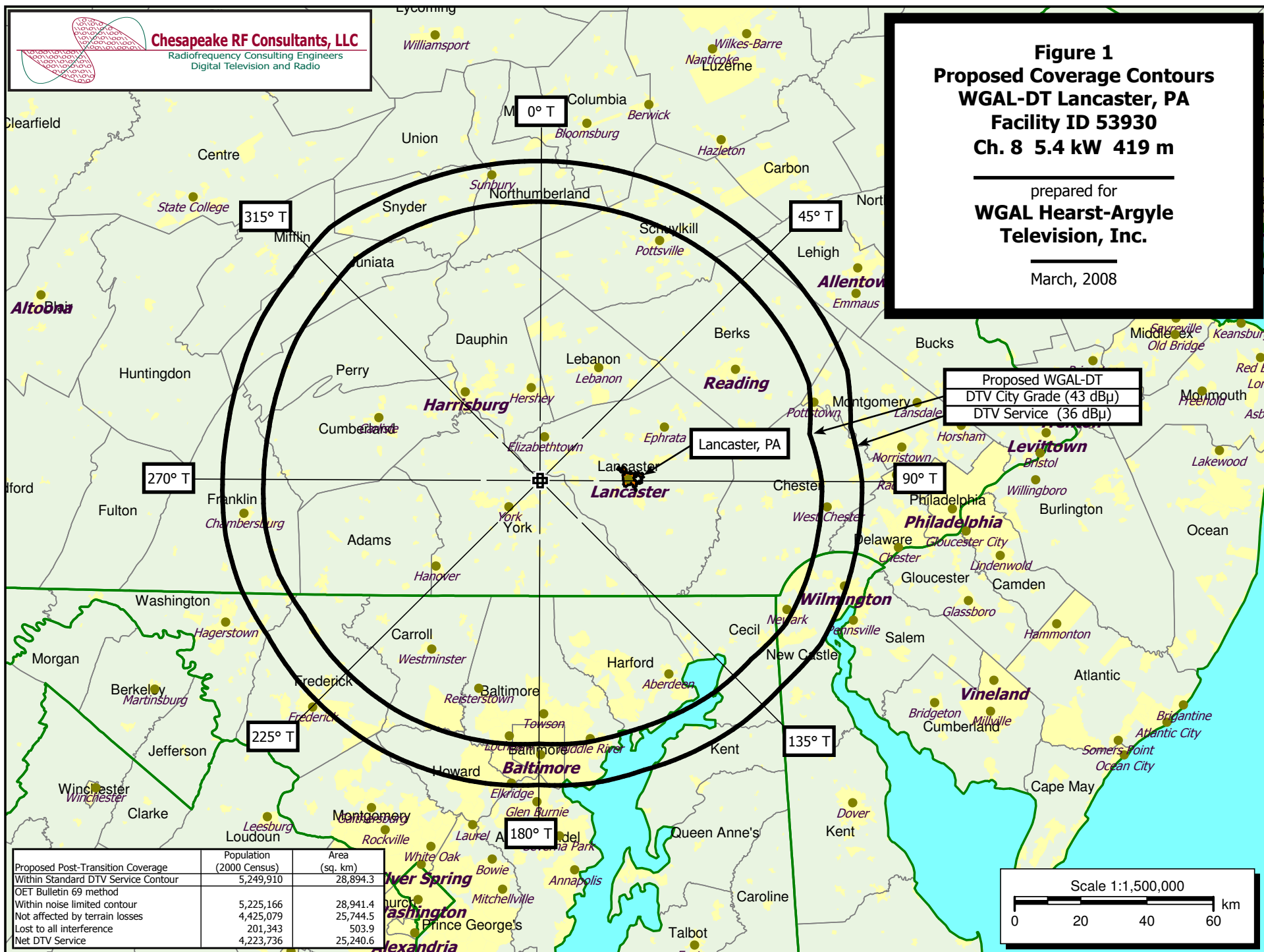


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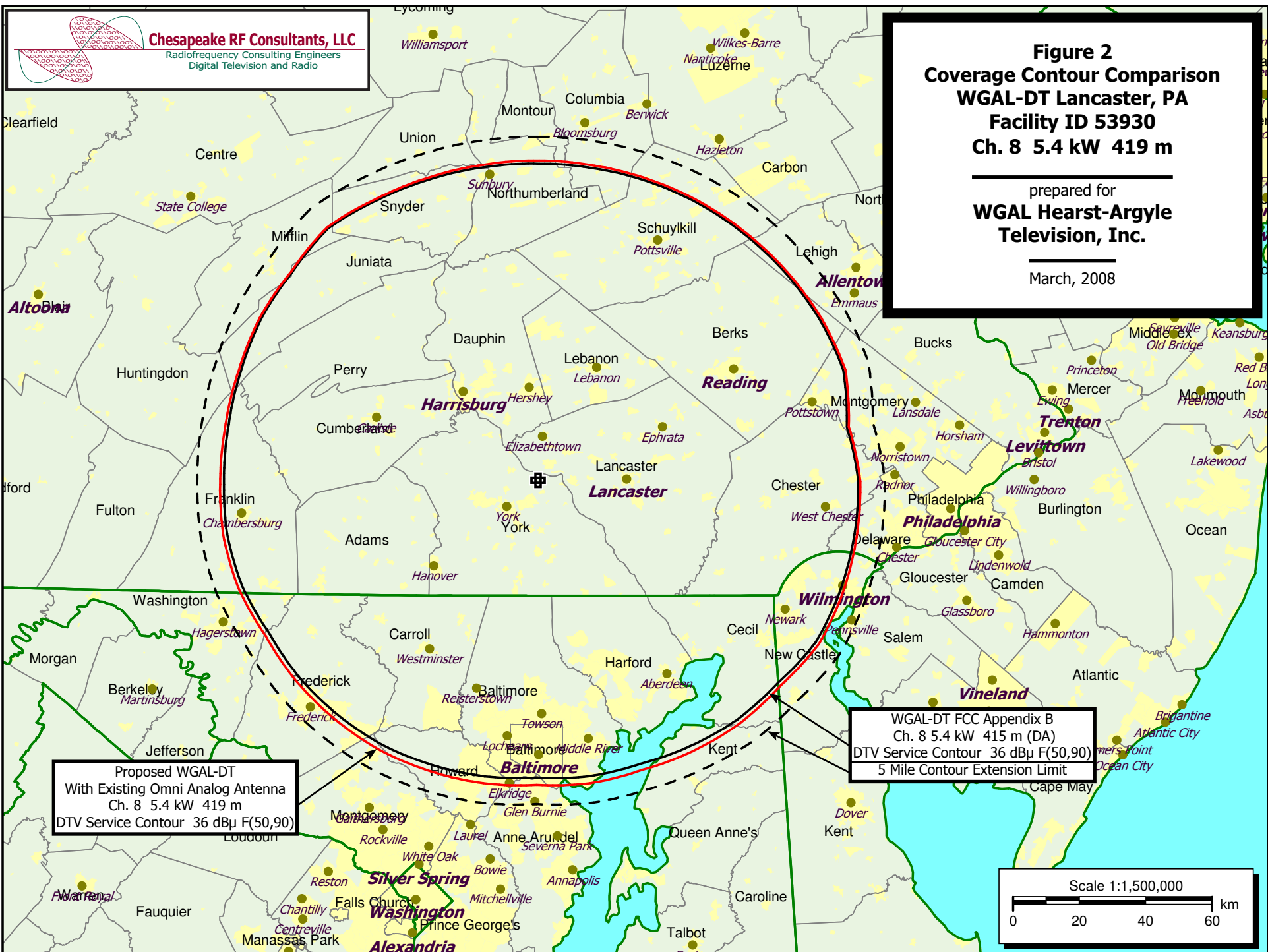
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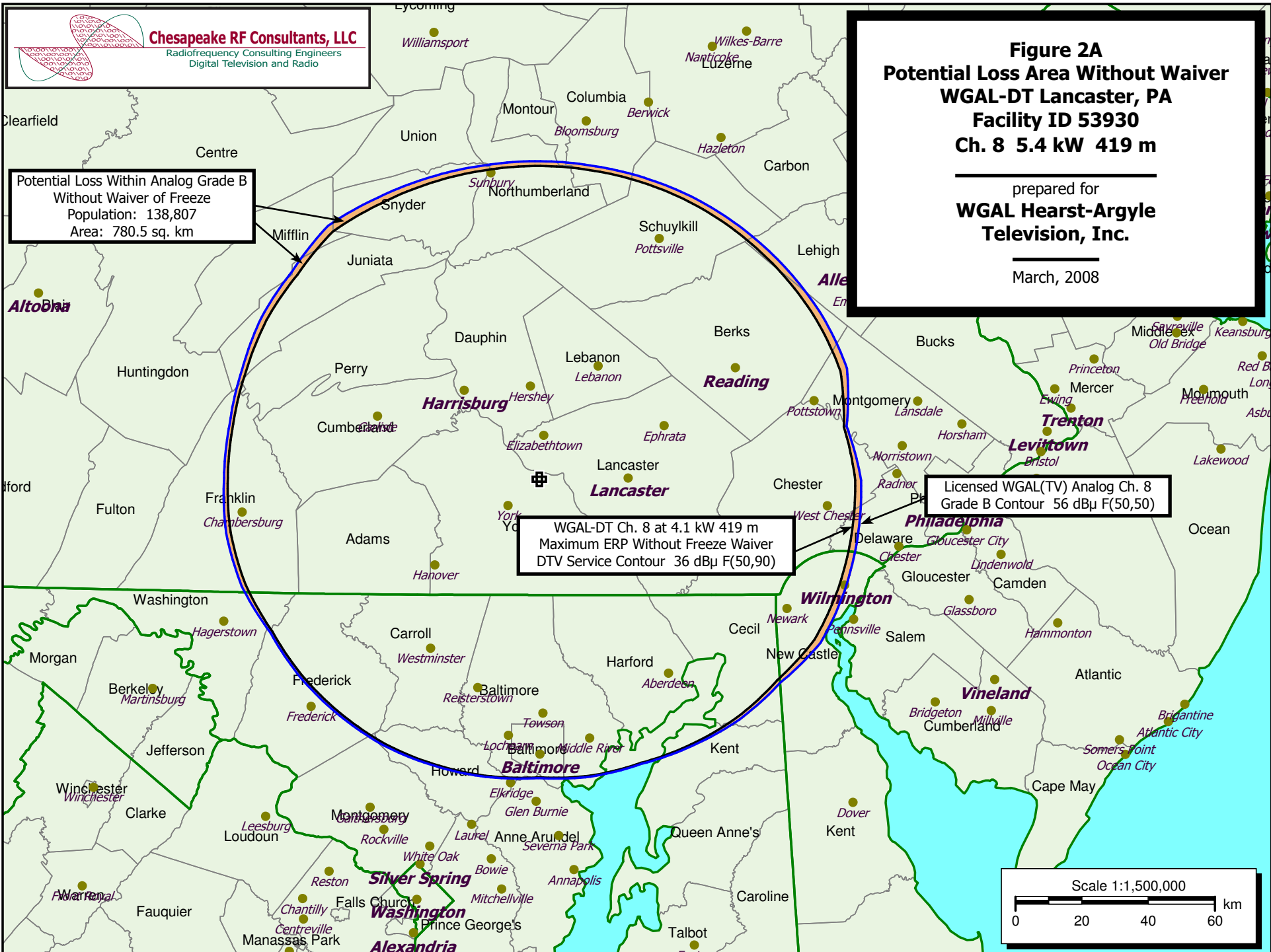
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**SECTION III-D - DTV Engineering****Complete Questions 1-5, and provide all data and information for the proposed facility, as requested in Technical Specifications, Items 1-13.**

**Pre-Transition Certification Checklist:** An application concerning a pre-transition channel must complete questions 1(a)-(c), and 2-5. A correct answer of "Yes" to all of the questions will ensure an expeditious grant of a construction permit application to change pre-transition facilities. However, if the proposed facility is located within the Canadian or Mexican borders, coordination of the proposal under the appropriate treaties may be required prior to grant of the application. An answer of "No" will require additional evaluation of the applicable information in this form before a construction permit can be granted.

**Post-Transition Expedited Processing.** An application concerning a post-transition channel must complete questions 1(a), (d)-(e), and 2-5. A station applying for a construction permit to build its post-transition channel will receive expedited processing if its application (1) does not seek to expand the noise-limited service contour in any direction beyond that established by Appendix B of the Seventh Report and Order in MB Docket No. 87-268 establishing the new DTV Table of Allotments in 47 C.F.R. § 73.622(i) ("new DTV Table Appendix B"); (2) specifies facilities that match or closely approximate those defined in the new DTV Table Appendix B facilities; and (3) is filed within 45 days of the effective date of Section 73.616 of the rules adopted in the Report and Order in the Third DTV Periodic Review proceeding, MB Docket No. 07-91.

1. The proposed DTV facility complies with 47 C.F.R. Section 73.622 in the following respects:

(a) It will operate on the DTV channel for this station as established in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.622.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
(b) It will operate a pre-transition facility from a transmitting antenna located within 5.0 km (3.1 miles) of the DTV reference site for this station as established in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.622.	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
(c) It will operate a pre-transition facility with an effective radiated power (ERP) and antenna height above average terrain (HAAT) that do not exceed the DTV reference ERP and HAAT for this station as established in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.622.	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
(d) It will operate at post-transition facilities that do not expand the noise-limited service contour in any direction beyond that established by Appendix B of the Seventh Report and Order in MB Docket No. 87-268 establishing the new DTV Table of Allotments in 47 C.F.R. § 73.622(i) ("new DTV Table Appendix B").	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> N/A
(e) It will operate at post-transition facilities that match or reduce by no more than five percent with respect to predicted population from those defined in the new DTV Table Appendix B.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No <input type="radio"/> N/A
2. The proposed facility will not have a significant environmental impact, including exposure of workers or the general public to levels of RF radiation exceeding the applicable health and safety guidelines, and therefore will not come within 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1307. Applicant must <b>submit the Exhibit</b> called for in Item 13.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
3. Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 73.625, the DTV coverage contour of the proposed facility will encompass the allotted principal community.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
4. The requirements of 47 C.F.R. Section 73.1030 regarding notification to radio astronomy installations, radio receiving installations and FCC monitoring stations have either been satisfied or are not applicable.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
5. The antenna structure to be used by this facility has been registered by the Commission and will not require registration to support the proposed antenna, OR the FAA has previously determined that the proposed structure will not adversely effect safety in air navigation and this structure qualifies for later registration under the Commission's phased registration plan, OR the proposed installation on this structure does not require notification to the FAA pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Section 17.7.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No

**SECTION III-D - DTV Engineering****TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS**

Ensure that the specifications below are accurate. Contradicting data found elsewhere in this application will be disregarded. All items must be completed. The response "on file" is not acceptable.

**TECH BOX**

1.	Channel Number:  DTV 8 Analog TV, if any 8
2.	Zone: <input checked="" type="radio"/> I <input type="radio"/> II <input type="radio"/> III
3.	Antenna Location Coordinates: (NAD 27) Latitude: Degrees 40 Minutes 02 Seconds 04 <input checked="" type="radio"/> North <input type="radio"/> South  Longitude: Degrees 76 Minutes 37 Seconds 08 <input checked="" type="radio"/> West <input type="radio"/> East
4.	Antenna Structure Registration Number: 1031756 <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable <input type="checkbox"/> Notification filed with FAA
5.	Antenna Location Site Elevation Above Mean Sea Level: 317.6 meters
6.	Overall Tower Height Above Ground Level: 250.9 meters
7.	Height of Radiation Center Above Ground Level: 239.3 meters
8.	Height of Radiation Center Above Average Terrain : 419.0 meters

9.	Maximum Effective Radiated Power (average power):	5.4 kW																																																																																																
10.	<div>Antenna Specifications:</div> <div>a. Manufacturer RCA    Model TW-9A8-R</div> <div>b. Electrical Beam Tilt: 0.5 degrees    <input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable</div> <div>c. Mechanical Beam Tilt: degrees toward azimuth degrees True    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable Attach as an Exhibit all data specified in 47 C.F.R. Section 73.625(c). <span style="float: right;">[Exhibit 42]</span></div> <div>d. Polarization: <input checked="" type="radio"/> Horizontal    <input type="radio"/> Circular    <input type="radio"/> Elliptical</div> <div>e. Directional Antenna Relative Field Values:    <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Not applicable (Nondirectional)</div> <div>[For a composite directional (not off-the-shelf) antenna, press the following button to fill in the relative field values subform.] [Relative Field Values]</div> <div style="text-align: center; padding: 10px;"><b>10e. Directional Antenna Relative Field Values</b> [Fill in this subform for a composite directional (not off-the-shelf) antenna, only.]</div> <div style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;"><div>e. Directional Antenna Relative Field Values:</div><div>Rotation (Degrees): <input type="checkbox"/> No Rotation</div><table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; text-align: center;"><thead><tr><th>Degrees</th><th>Value</th><th>Degrees</th><th>Value</th><th>Degrees</th><th>Value</th><th>Degrees</th><th>Value</th><th>Degrees</th><th>Value</th><th>Degrees</th><th>Value</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>0</td><td></td><td>10</td><td></td><td>20</td><td></td><td>30</td><td></td><td>40</td><td></td><td>50</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>60</td><td></td><td>70</td><td></td><td>80</td><td></td><td>90</td><td></td><td>100</td><td></td><td>110</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>120</td><td></td><td>130</td><td></td><td>140</td><td></td><td>150</td><td></td><td>160</td><td></td><td>170</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>180</td><td></td><td>190</td><td></td><td>200</td><td></td><td>210</td><td></td><td>220</td><td></td><td>230</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>240</td><td></td><td>250</td><td></td><td>260</td><td></td><td>270</td><td></td><td>280</td><td></td><td>290</td><td></td></tr><tr><td>300</td><td></td><td>310</td><td></td><td>320</td><td></td><td>330</td><td></td><td>340</td><td></td><td>350</td><td></td></tr><tr><td colspan="2">Additional Azimuths</td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td><td></td></tr></tbody></table><div style="text-align: center; color: blue; margin-top: 5px;"><a href="#">Relative Field Polar Plot</a></div></div>		Degrees	Value	Degrees	Value	Degrees	Value	Degrees	Value	Degrees	Value	Degrees	Value	0		10		20		30		40		50		60		70		80		90		100		110		120		130		140		150		160		170		180		190		200		210		220		230		240		250		260		270		280		290		300		310		320		330		340		350		Additional Azimuths											
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If a directional antenna is proposed, the requirements of 47 C.F.R. Sections 73.625(c) must be satisfied. **Exhibit required.** [Exhibit 43]

**SECTION III - PREPARER'S CERTIFICATION**

I certify that I have prepared Section III (Engineering Data) on behalf of the applicant, and that after such preparation, I have examined and found it to be accurate and true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

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