

## **EXPLANATION FOR REQUESTING SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION**

Pursuant to Section 73.1635 of the Commission's rules, Georgia Public Telecommunications Commission ("GPTC"), licensee of noncommercial educational television translator Station W22AC, Hartwell & Royston, Georgia, hereby requests a Special Temporary Authorization ("STA") to remain silent for a period of 180 days.

GPTC previously notified the Commission on July 19, 2005, pursuant to Section 73.1560(d) of the rules, that it ceased operating Station W22AC due to an equipment failure beyond the control of GPTC. Specifically, the Station experienced a failure of the 100 Watt TH328 triode amplifier tube and 1 Watt IPA module and power supply. The Station engineers have repaired the amplifier tube and have ordered a replacement IPA module and power supply board from the manufacturer. However, GPTC will not be able to return the Station to operation within the 30-day period specified in Section 74.763. Accordingly, GPTC requests an STA to remain silent for a period of up to 180 days or until repairs are completed. During this period, GPTC will make the necessary repairs as expeditiously as practicable.

Grant of this request will serve the public interest because it will permit GPTC to continue to provide the residents of Hartwell & Royce, Georgia, over-the-air broadcasts of the noncommercial educational programming of the Georgia Public Broadcasting network.