

**Gilmore Broadcasting Corporation  
Request for Alternative Buildout STA**

**REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION**

WEHT(TV), Evansville, Indiana (Facility ID No. 24215) (“WEHT”), provides analog television service on channel 25 and pre-transition digital service on channel 59. The station’s post-transition digital allotment is for channel 7. Currently, WEHT broadcasts its analog signal from a top-mounted antenna.

In order to construct its final digital facilities, WEHT must remove its top-mounted analog antenna and replace it with a top-mounted digital antenna. In order to maintain analog service to its viewers through the end of the transition, WEHT seeks authority to operate its post-transition digital facility from a side-mount position until the analog antenna can be removed from the top-mount position and a top-mount digital antenna installed in its place. Accordingly, WEHT hereby requests Special Temporary Authorization (“STA”) under the “alternative buildout” provisions set forth in paragraphs 94-96 of the Commission’s *Report and Order*, MB Docket No. 07-91, FCC 07-228 (rel. Dec. 31, 2007) (the “Order”) to construct a side-mounted channel 7 digital facility and obtain additional time in which to complete construction of its final top-mounted digital facility.

In order to obtain STA for alternative buildout, broadcasters must satisfy two criteria: (a) a unique technical challenge that warrants alternative buildout, and (b) the ability to provide post-transition service to at least 85 percent of the same population that receives a station’s analog and digital service. *See Order*, ¶ 94. WEHT faces the type of “unique technical challenge” that the Commission envisioned in paragraph 53 of the Order: the continued operation of its analog facilities prevents the station from completing construction of its full, authorized post-transition facilities. Further, as demonstrated in the attached technical exhibit, by using a side-mounted digital antenna, WEHT will be able to provide post-transition digital service to 121.5% of the population that currently receives its analog service and 120% of the population that receives its pre-transition digital service. Thus, WEHT is eligible for STA to pursue an alternative buildout of its final digital facilities.

Once WEHT’s final channel 7 digital facility is constructed, WEHT will request authority to turn the side-mount channel 7 digital facility requested in this STA into an auxiliary facility.

Upon grant of this STA, WEHT will provide the required public notice to its viewers.