

Dodge City Community College
Station KONQ(NCE-FM), Facility ID No. 17053
Dodge City, Kansas
Exhibit 4
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Justification for Special Temporary Authority

Dodge City Community College (“DCCC”) hereby requests Special Temporary Authority to operate its Noncommercial Educational FM Broadcast Station KONQ, Facility ID No. 17053, Dodge City, Kansas, with facilities specified in FCC File No. BPED-19920504MI, as reinstated and extended, with reduced effective radiated power of 1.79 kW.

The 1992 application requested a relocation of the KONQ transmitter site from the DCCC campus to the transmitter site of commonly-owned AM Broadcast Station KDCC, Facility ID No. 17052, Dodge City, Kansas. Pursuant to reinstatement and extensions, the deadline for completion of construction of the facilities was set at August 17, 1998. In due course and in timely fashion, DCCC completed construction and commenced operation of the authorized facilities.

The failure of the licensee to file a covering license application was an inadvertent oversight. DCCC erroneously believed that the granting of the construction permit concluded the approval process for the site move. Indeed, from the time the construction permit was granted the licensee has gone through two license renewal cycles in a routine and timely manner, in 2005 and 2013. On this basis, DCCC believed that everything was in order with respect to the KONQ license. The need for a covering license application has now been brought to DCCC’s attention.

In the intervening time since the expiration of BPED-19920504MI, a co-channel facility, Station KZGC-FM, Facility ID No. 174936, has been authorized and licensed at Garden City, Kansas. In order to protect the station’s contours, DCCC requests authority to operate at the reduced power level of 1.79 kW ERP. See Exhibit 2.

Accordingly, and in light of the foregoing:

- DCCC requests Special Temporary Authority to continue operating KONQ with facilities specified in the construction permit, with 1.79 kW ERP;
- DCCC will prepare and file an application for construction permit that effectively reinstates the facilities specified in BPED-19920504MI, consistent with current allocations considerations; and
- Upon grant of the reinstated construction permit, DCCC will prepare and file a covering license application.