

Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

April 17, 2019

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University of North Carolina PO Box 14900 Research Triangle Park, NC 27709

> Re: WUNF-TV 0000068280 Ashville, NC Facility ID Number: 69300

Dear Licensee:

This refers to your request filed on March 5, 2019 requesting special temporary authority (STA) to operate at variance. You indicate that the University of North Carolina (UNC), requests an STA to operate WUNF-TV on pre-auction Channel 25 with the intended replacement antenna at Site 2 in advance of the transition to Channel 20. Early operation with the replacement antenna at Site 2 will allow UNC to perform the necessary tower and antenna replacement work at Site 2 associated with construction of the authorized Channel 20 facility well in advance of the phase 5 testing and completion dates. You mentioned that only Site 2 would operate with parameters at variance pursuant to the STA sought herein, as the WUNF-TV Site 1 facility will continue to operate as licensed for this interim period.

In light of the above, special temporary authority is GRANTED pursuant to Sections 73.1560(d) and 73.1635 of the Commission's Rules. This authorization expires on **October 17, 2019**.

Sincerely,

Kevin R. Harding Associate Chief Video Division Media Bureau

Cc: Stephen Hartzell