



ENGINEERING STATEMENT
OF
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IN SUPPORT OF AN APPLICATION FOR
MINOR MODIFICATION OF A POST-TRANSITION CONSTRUCTION PERMIT
WNEO-DT
ALLIANCE, OH

Background

Northeastern Educational Television of Ohio, Inc. is the licensee of WNEO-DT which has been authorized to operate its post-transition DTV facility on Channel 45 (BPEDT-20080317AGT) at Alliance, OH, with an ERP of 44 kW at a HAAT of 253m. The tower is located at the following coordinates:

(NAD27)
40° 54' 23" N
80° 54' 40" W

WNEO now wishes to "maximize" the post-transition facility ERP to 500 kW. All other facility parameters will remain the same.



Site

The proposed facility is located within the Canadian border zone and coordination with the Canadian government is requested to the extent necessary in light of the FCC's ongoing negotiations with the Canadian government.

Antenna System and Tower

WNEO proposes to operate with its existing analog omni-directional Dielectric TFU-42J antenna (which will be used for post-transition operation). The antenna is installed on a tower (ASR#1021036) that has an overall height of 622.1m AMSL (with appurtenances). The antenna has a center-of-radiation of 612.6m AMSL (with a calculated HAAT of 253m). No modifications of the tower or antenna system are necessary to effect the proposed change in ERP.

Coverage

The entire principal community of Alliance, OH is well within the predicted F(50,90) 48 dBu contour based on the proposed 500 kW ERP.

Interference

Studies were conducted with the proposed parameters using software that emulates the software used by the FCC (OET-69 analysis). The results of the study indicate that there are no post-transition domestic stations that would receive more than 0.5% new interference.

Environmental/RFR

The proposed construction does not require preparation of an Environmental Assessment as it does not involve any of the factors listed in Section 1.1306.

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The additional ground level RFR contributed to the site by this proposal in public areas is calculated to be 0.003303 mW/cm^2 which is less than 5% of the MPE for public exposure (0.44 mW/cm^2) at the proposed frequency and, therefore, the proposal is excluded from further consideration.

WNEO agrees to comply with the Commission's requirements regarding power adjustments or cessation of operation as may be necessary to ensure a compliant environment for worker access. Workers will be encouraged to wear personal RFR monitors when on the structure. The tower base is enclosed by a locked security fence and appropriate signage warning of RFR hazards is posted.

Certification

I hereby certify that the foregoing report or statement was prepared by me but may include work performed by others under my supervision or direction. The statements of fact contained therein are believed to be true and correct based on personal knowledge, information and belief unless otherwise stated; with respect to facts not known of my own personal knowledge, I believe them to be true and correct based on their origin from sources known to me to be generally reliable and accurate. I have prepared this document with due care and in accordance with applicable standards of professional practice.



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