

#### **Medical Notification Process**

## **KMCT-TV**

Per the rules of the FCC (47 CFR 15.242) as part of the grant of a construction permit, television stations are required to make a good faith effort to identify and notify health care facilities (e.g., hospitals, nursing homes, see 47 CFR 15.242(a)(1)) within the service area potentially affected by DTV operations.

Widelity was engaged to identify and to make a good faith effort to notify locations that met the criteria of the rules.

Using D&B data, and NAICS codes, and using industry standard mapping software, Widelity identified all locations that were within a 70 kilometer radius of the transmission location. This yielded 141 locations that met the following criteria:

- General medical and surgical hospitals
- Nursing and personal care
- Psychiatric hospitals
- Residential care
- Skilled nursing care facilities

The facilities were selected from the licensed D&B date for the following NAICS codes:

### **NAICS Code 622 Hospitals**

Industries in the Hospitals subsector provide medical, diagnostic, and treatment services that include physician, nursing, and other health services to inpatients and the specialized accommodation services required by inpatients. Hospitals may also provide outpatient services as a secondary activity. Establishments in the Hospitals subsector provide inpatient health services, many of which can only be provided using the specialized facilities and equipment that form a significant and integral part of the production process.

## **NAICS Code 623 Nursing and Residential Care Facilities**

Industries in the Nursing and Residential Care Facilities subsector provide residential care combined with either nursing, supervisory, or other types of care as required by the residents. In this subsector, the facilities are a significant part of the production process and the care provided is a mix of health and social services with the health services being largely some level of nursing services.

The letters were mailed via the US Post Office. All addresses were verified for validity.

Letters that were returned from the US Post Office were researched individually and, where possible, addresses were corrected and the letters were resent.

Sample letters to medical facilities, associations and facilities list follow



## **Facility Letter**

To: Director, Clinical/Biomedical Engineering Engineer, Risk Manager, Hospital

Administrator, Nursing Home Director

From: KMCT-TV - WEST MONROE, LA, US

Date: August 22, 2018

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## **Notice of Channel Change for Digital Television Channels**

You are receiving this letter because KMCT-TV, covering West Monroe, LA, was a participant in the Broadcast Incentive Reverse Auction (Auction 1001). This station will cease operations on its current channel 38 (614 - 620 MHz) and will commence operations on channel 22 (518 - 524 MHz). Per the FCC, this process of change in frequencies from channel 38 to channel 22 may begin on November 1. This change in broadcast channels may affect equipment in your facility. Please be sure that everyone responsible for the supervision or maintenance of the biomedical equipment receives a copy of this notification and the attachment regarding the channel change in November, 2018.

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Under authorization from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC), the station listed above will be broadcasting on a new frequency.

Per the rules of the FCC (DA 17-702), stations are required to make a good faith effort to identify and notify health care facilities (e.g., hospitals, nursing homes, see 47 CFR 15.242(a)(1)) within the service area potentially affected by the DTV operations.

Widelity has been retained by the station listed above to make the required good faith notifications to applicable facilities in their service areas. This letter is to notify health care facilities in the coverage area in the event that any electronic medical devices are affected by the relocation of the transmit locations of the station. Your facility may have electronic biomedical devices that could be impacted by the DTV operations listed on the following pages. The FCC allows certain electronic biomedical devices to use unoccupied DTV frequencies on a secondary use basis. As a result of the secondary use status, your facility is responsible for identifying and resolving any potential radio frequency interference for the operations identified on the following pages.

To address potential interference problems for medical telemetry systems, the FDA recommends that you work with the manufacturer of your telemetry systems to:

- determine the channel/frequencies your telemetry systems use; and
- consult the FCC table of allotments for DTV channels that will be coming on line in your area.

If your telemetry systems are transmitting on channels that are used by a local station, (as identified in the attached sheets) you should work with the manufacturer of your telemetry systems to:

 change your telemetry channels to unused channels prior to the expected broadcast date to avoid interference

If you find that your telemetry systems are transmitting on channels that will remain unused, you should not have a problem due to DTV transmissions. However, you should periodically check the FCC allotments to assure that those channels remain available.

Sincerely Widelity, Inc.



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As the guidance from the FDA notes:

Many medical telemetry devices are operated under 47 CFR Part 15 of the FCC regulations. These devices are secondary users of the radio-frequency (RF) spectrum. Licensed users such as television stations are the primary users. As a secondary user, your telemetry devices may be subject to interference from the primary user at any time but must not cause interference with the primary user. If your telemetry devices are operating on frequencies licensed to a primary user, you need to be aware of the potential for interference and take any steps necessary to avoid device malfunctions due to interference

#### **FDA Recommendations**

To address potential interference problems for medical telemetry systems, the FDA recommends that you work with the manufacturer of your telemetry systems to:

- determine the channel/frequencies your telemetry systems use; and
- consult the FCC table of allotments for DTV channels that will be coming on line in your area.

If your telemetry systems are transmitting or receiving on channels that are scheduled to be used by a local station, you should work with the manufacturer of your telemetry systems to:

 change your telemetry channels to unused channels prior to the expected broadcast date to avoid interference

As a general rule, if you find that your telemetry systems are transmitting or receiving on channels that will remain unused, you should not have a problem due to DTV transmissions. However, you should periodically check the FCC allotments to assure that those channels remain available.

# **Facility Information**

KMCT-TV - WEST MONROE, LA, US

FCC File Number: 0000026257 Facility ID Number: 38584

DTV Channel: 22

Frequency Band: 518 - 524 MHz

Effective radiated power: 25 kW Horizontal

Antenna Location:

32° 30' 21.2" N (32.505889) Latitude 92° 8' 55.6" W (-92.148778) Longitude (NAD83)

Antenna Height Above Average Terrain: 302' 92m Antenna Height Above Ground Level: 318' 97m Antenna Height Above Mean Sea Level: 387' 118m

Engineering Contact: Tom Fawbush, General Manager

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#### **LOCTIONS**

St Francis Medical Center Inc Glenwood Resolution Auth Inc Monroe L Brfhh L C St Francis Specialty Hosp Inc Ruston Louisiana Hosp Co LLC Ward 3 4&10 Hsptl Srvc Distrct P and S Surgery Center LLC Morehouse General Hospital Franklin Parish Hospital G B Cooley Hospital Svc Dst Monroe Surgical Hospital LLC Richardson Med Ventures Inc Louisiana United Methodist C Union General Hospital Family Care Services Inc Green Clinic Surgical Hosp LLC Caldwell Memorial Hospital Inc Lifecare Spealty Hosp N La LLC West Monroe Guest House Pkc Investments LLC Jackson Parish Hosp Svc Dst Ruston Nursing Rehabilitatn Landmark Nrsing Ctr of W Mnroe Forest Haven Inc Plantation Manor Nursing Ctr Sterlington Crtcl ACS HSP Louisiana Baptist Childrens HM Serenity Sprng Specialty Hosp Home Assistance Services Inc Lakeview Nursing Home Inc Liberty Healthcare Systems LLC Woodlawn Manor Inc Alpine Guest Care LLC Summerlin Lane Nursing Homes Deerfield Nursing & Rehab Cntr The Oaks Cherry Ridge Guest Care LLC Hospital Svc District 1 A Farmerville Nursing Rehab Princton Pl - Rston Ltd Partnr Charlyn Rhbltation Nursing Ctr Longleaf Nurse Care Center Rayville Nrsing Rhbltation Ctr Delta American Health Care Haven Nursing Center Inc Hillview Nursing Home Inc Mary Goss Nursing Home Inc North La Rehabilitation Ctr Ridgecrest Nursing Home Hickory Manor Nursing Home Franklin Community Services Timberlake Health Care Bernice Nursing Rehabilation Johnny Robinsons Boys Home Rosemont Asstd Lving Comnty of Richland Prish Rhab Hosp L L C

Sterlington Rehab Hospital

Nursing Prn Inc Glenwood Behavior Health Unit Premier Hospice of Monroe Orthopaedic Center of Monroe Good Shepherd Per Care LLC Arbor of Bastrop LLC **Eternal Blessings** Fairhaven Shelter Hospice TLC Arbor Group LLC Citizens Rural Clinic Agape Hospice Care Ruston LLC Senior Care Service Inc Hospice Care Resources Lakeview Nursing Home Inc Arbor Ter Snior Ctr Ruston LLC Twin City Home Care Inc Hickory Manor Sklled Nrsng Fcl Russ House Arbor of Farmerville LLC Patients Choice Hospice and PA Rayville Recovery Richland Hospice LLC Professional Hospice Care Nlsai Nrthast La Sbstance Abus Crossroads Hospice Tri Ward General Hospital Ruston Community Residence Lifecare Specialty Hosp N Lou Serenity Sprng Specialty Hosp Doctors Hospice Associates LLC Psychiatric Unit Grady Jones Mmorl Schlrshp Fnd Ashley Operations LLC Collinwood Nursing Unity Home Care L S U Medical Center Monroe A Touch Love Hospice Care LLC My Personal Care Attendant LLC Crossett Road Community Home Ronald McDonald House Richland Assocn For Retrded Better Living Market LLC Rehab Services Ne Jonesboro **Bush Road Community Home** Race Street Community Home Two Nurses Care Claiborne Creek Retirement Co Latech Health Center Wyatt Manor Nursing Home Dodson Community Residence **Inspirations** Arbor Rose Assisted Livin Quality Long Term Care T N B Home Care Services Inc Richland Group Home Bee Bayou Community Home Quality Care At Home LLC

Nursing Home Food Service Braswell Community Residence Home At Last Transprent Provider Recruiting Cooley G B Latham Ln Cmnty Ascend Hospice Cornerstone Center For Wound La Hospice & Palliative Care Erin Frances Eubanks MA Personal Care Harris Guest House Pilley Group Home Restore Home Care Inc Easy Living Home Care Ingleside House Alcoholics Anonymous Personal Elder Care Inc Delta Grande Skilled Nursing Clayton House-G B Cooley Dickens Group Home Trace Drive Cmnty Residence National Fed of The Blind La Concordia Nursing Home Inc Delhi Community Home CHG Hospital West Monroe LLC Monroe CBOC