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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Wireless Bureau Applications
P.O. Box 358130
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15251-5130



Re: ESPN Productions, Inc.
Bristol, CT
Attachment to FCC form 601
Request for Special Temporary Authority



On behalf of ESPN Productions, Inc. ("ESPN"), this letter requests Special Temporary Authority ("STA") to operate in UHF frequencies 482–488 MHz in order to coordinate event emergencies, transportation, security and safety conditions in connection with ESPN's live coverage of the 2016 NFL Draft to be held in Chicago, Illinois from April 26th through May 2, 2016. ESPN has monitored the requested frequencies to insure that there is no interference with local licensed users.



The NFL Draft is an annual event attracting an extremely large spectator crowd. Crowd control, potential safety hazards and the need for effective radio communications for coordination are necessary. Frequency distribution will be utilized for operations, security, crowd management and first aid coordination's. Operations on the proposed frequencies will be monitored on a 24-hour basis, and it is understood that authorization is secondary in nature. There will be (400) UHF 4 watt handheld radios utilized along with (6) 20-watt trunking repeaters to provide adequate radio coverage of the event area.



ESPN has coordinated this use of this spectrum with the SBE Frequency Coordinator of record for the Chicago area and has received approval.



The applicant hereby certifies that no party of this application is subject to denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. §853(a).



If there are any questions concerning this request, please contact Eleanor DeVane of the ESPN, Inc. Legal Department at (860) 766-4667 (Facsimile 860-766-2423) and for questions of a technical nature, please contact Dana Underhill at (860) 766-2278.



Very truly yours,

ESPN Productions, Inc.

Eleanor S DeVane
ASSISTANT SECRETARY

