

REQUEST FOR REINSTATEMENT OF EARTH STATION RENEWAL

National Public Radio (NPR) hereby respectfully requests Reinstatement to continue to operate FCC CallSign # E040430, a fixed C-band R/T earth station licensed to NPR and utilized in connection with NPR's operations at its broadcast facilities. The station's current authorization expired Decemeber 15, 2019 (30 days ago)*. As it is in the public interest for NPR to continue to operate the earth station and serve the public with vital news and information until the renewal application for the earth station can be reviewed and granted.

NPR was granted the FCC CallSign # E040430 / File # SES-LIC-20041109-01661 authorization on Decemeber 15, 2004. That authorization expired by its terms on December 15, 2019. This Request for Reinstatement is being filed to request the grant of the late-filed renewal. The monitoring and maintenance of the earth station license was done electronically thru a computer calander "tickler" system. The computer was to show a reminder of license renewal due 90 days before the expiration date. Unfortunalely due to a needed computer OS upgrades (Windows 7 to Windows 10) the "tickler" calander program failed to upgrade and work properly, hence NPR is 30 days late in filing for the license renewal. NPR has now rectified the calander "tickler" program to function correctly and is loading the program onto multiple computers to insure FCC Earth Station Expiration Dates are tracked validly going forward.

In conclusion, NPR utilizes this earth station in providing its public broadcasting service and is in the public interest to grant the renewal of the E040430 authorization. NPR's failure to file the E040430 renewal application in a timely manner was inadvertent. NPR has put system in place to ensure future compliance with earth station expiration deadlines.

* Section 25.163(a)(1) of the Commission's rules states that a petition for reinstatement of an expired license will be considered only if the petition is filed within 30 days of the license expiration date.