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Channel 40, Inc.

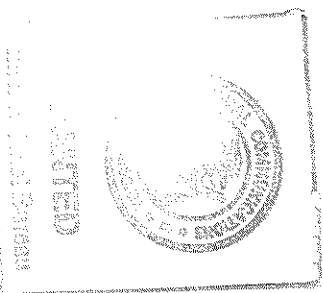
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APPLICATION FOR EARTH STATION SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORITY

APPLICANT INFORMATION: Enter a description of this application to identify it on the main menu:  
Earth Station STA Request 11/2007

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From 11/16/07 To 11/14/08  
Appr. J. Bennett R. Davis

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(If your application is related to an application filed with the Commission, enter either the file number or the IB Submission ID of the related application. Please enter only one.)

3. Reference File Number SESLICINTR200702725 or Submission ID

4a. Is a fee submitted with this application?

- If Yes, complete and attach FCC Form 159. If No, indicate reason for fee exemption (see 47 C.F.R. Section 1.1114).  
 Governmental Entity  Noncommercial educational licensee  
 Other (please explain):

4b. Fee Classification CGX – Fixed Satellite Transmitter/Receive Earth Station

5. Type Request

- Use Prior to Grant  Change Station Location  Other

6. Requested Use Prior Date

11/14/2007

7. City/Various Locations throughout the U.S.

8. Latitude  
(dd mm ss.s h) 0 0 0.0

9. State	10. Longitude (dd mm ss.s h) 0 0 0.0
11. Please supply any need attachments. Attachment 1: KTXL STA Attachment      Attachment 2: Attachment 3:	
12. Description. (If the complete description does not appear in this box, please go to the end of the form to view it in its entirety.) Applicant seeks special temporary authority to operate a new license which will be used to provide analog and digital coverage of local and national news, sports, and other events for broadcast by its parent television station, KTXL (TV), for distribution to its sister stations throughout North America.	
13. By checking Yes, the undersigned certifies that neither applicant nor any other party to the application is subject to a denial of Federal benefits that includes FCC benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862, because of a conviction for possession or distribution of a controlled substance. Sec 47 CFR 1.2002(b) for the meaning of "party to the application" for these purposes. <input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No	
14. Name of Person Signing Audrey Farrington	15. Title of Person Signing Vice-President and General Manager
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Channel 40, Inc.  
Temporary Fixed Earth Station  
Request for Special Temporary  
Authority  
November 2007

**EXPLANATION OF REQUEST FOR STA**

Channel 40, Inc., the licensee of KTXL-TV, Sacramento, California hereby requests special temporary authority ("STA") to begin immediate operations of a used satellite newsgathering truck it recently acquired. STA is needed until such time as the Commission can process KTXL's underlying application for a new license to operate this satellite truck.<sup>1</sup>

KTXL is the Fox network affiliate in the Sacramento-Stockton-Modesto DMA, which includes 16 counties many of which cannot be served by 2 GHz ENG vehicles. On average, KTXL broadcasts a total of 17 hours of local news programming each week. To support these newscasts, KTXL has almost a continuous need for its satellite truck to provide live, on-the-scene coverage of breaking news stories. In addition, KTXL, which is indirectly owned by Tribune Broadcasting ("Tribune"), also provides coverage from Sacramento and the California State Capitol to more than 15 of Tribune's television stations across the country with local newscasts.

STA to operate the used satellite truck immediately is needed because KTXL's existing satellite truck is 16 years old with over 220,000 miles and has become less and less reliable despite the constant infusion of money for repairs. Among other things, KTXL has been

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<sup>1</sup> KTXL filed an application for a new license because the former owner of the used satellite truck apparently intends to transfer the truck's former call sign (E040316) to another truck he owns.

rather than worrying about the repair schedule for its satellite truck. For STA is in the public interest because it will allow KTXL to cover the news as it develops, continue to increase with the 2008 election season approaching, KTXL submits that its request Given that the demand for local newsgathering in and around Sacramento will

than KTXL's existing truck. provides the same functionality in an Econoline van, a vehicle that is far more maneuverable 26,000 pound vehicles in mind. By contrast, the used satellite truck that KTXL has acquired where vehicle congestion is high and the streets (especially side streets) were not designed with KTXL's current satellite truck make it very challenging to use it in and around the State Capitol, successful transmission of terrestrial 2 GHz ENG signals. Unfortunately, the size and weight of uses its satellite truck because the urban canyon in an around the Capitol effectively prevent the California State Capitol is one of the locations where KTXL, like the other stations in the market, size and weight significantly restrict the locations where KTXL can use its truck. Ironically, the in the past. KTXL's current satellite truck weighs approximately 26,000 pounds. The truck's STA will also allow KTXL to cover more stories with its satellite truck than it has

without its satellite truck. several 2 GHz ENG vehicles during this downtime, it was clearly at a competitive disadvantage varying periods of time ranging from a few days to over a week. Although KTXL had the use of time the breakdowns associated with the repairs occurred, KTXL lost the use of the truck for needed to power the cameras and related equipment whenever the truck is on location. Each forced to repair or replace the truck's engine, its two-speed axle and, most recently, the generator