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Re: Applications of Telemundo Acquisitions Group, Inc. (Transferor) and TN Acquisition Corp. (Transferee) for Transfer of Control of Station KSTS(TV), San Jose, CA, et al  
File No. BTCCT-20011101ABK, et al  
Facility ID Number 64987

Dear Counsel:

This is with respect to the Motion of Extension of Time filed by Paxson Communications Corporation (Paxson) on December 20, 2001, requesting additional time to respond to the oppositions to Paxson’s petition to deny the above-referenced applications to transfer control of Telemundo Acquisitions Group, Inc. (Telemundo) to TN Acquisition Corp., a corporation controlled by National Broadcasting Company (NBC). In its request, Paxson states that it is unable to meet the January 2, 2002 date for filing a reply, due to the intervening Christmas and New Year holidays, during which counsel’s office is closed for several days. In addition, Paxson states that Paxson’s chairman is out of the country and will be unable to contribute to the replies until January 2, 2002. Accordingly, Paxson requests a one week extension of time, until January 10, 2002, to prepare and submit its replies.

Telemundo, NBC and Council Tree Hispanic Broadcasters II, LLC (Council Tree) oppose Paxson’s extension request, arguing that Section 1.4 of the Commission’s rules afforded Paxson sufficient time to prepare timely replies, and that the closure of counsel’s office and Lowell Paxson’s travel plans do not justify an extension of the filing deadline. The objectors also assert that they will be harmed by any further delay in processing the applications.

For the reasons set forth in Paxson’s motion, we find that good cause exists to extend the time for Paxson to file its replies until January 10, 2002. With respect to the objectors’ arguments, the Commission has, in the past, frequently extended pleading deadlines in order to accommodate abbreviated holiday schedules and travel plans of licensees and counsel, and we see no reason to deviate from that practice here.
Moreover, a brief one-week extension is reasonable and will not delay the ultimate disposition of this proceeding.

Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that the Motion for Extension of Time IS GRANTED, and the deadline for Paxson to submit its replies IS EXTENDED to January 10, 2002.

Sincerely,

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