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DTV TRANSITION STATUS REPORT		FOR COMMISSION USE ONLY FILE NO. - 20080915ABB
PLEASE READ INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM		

NOTE: This Form must be filed by all full-power broadcast television stations (licensees and permittees) no later than February 19, 2008. Each Licensee/Permittee is responsible for the continuing accuracy and completeness of the information furnished in this Form. Each Licensee/Permittee must update this Form, as necessary, until such Licensee/Permittee reports the completion of its transition (i.e., that it has begun operating its full, authorized facility as defined in the post-transition DTV Table, 47 C.F.R. 73.622(i), and accompanying Appendix B).

SECTION I - GENERAL INFORMATION

Licensee/Permittee Information			
1.	Legal Name of the Licensee/Permittee FOX TELEVISION STATIONS, INC.		
	Mailing Address 444 NORTH CAPITOL ST, NW, SUITE 740 C/O DIANNE SMITH		
	City WASHINGTON	State or Country (if foreign address) DC	ZIP Code 20001 -
	Telephone Number (include area code) 2027152530	E-Mail Address (if available) DIANNE.SMITH@NEWSCORP.COM	
Contact Information (if different from licensee/permittee)			
2.	Contact Representative JARED S. SHER, ESQ.		
	Firm or Company Name SKADDEN, ARPS, SLATE, MEAGHER & FLOM LLP		
	Mailing Address 1440 NEW YORK AVENUE, N.W.		
	City WASHINGTON	State or Country (if foreign address) DC	ZIP Code 20005 -
	Telephone Number (include area code) 2023717574	E-Mail Address (if available) JSHER@SKADDEN.COM	
Station / Facility Information			
3.	FCC Registration Number 0005795067		
	Call Sign WWOR-TV	Facility ID Number 74197	
	Community of License: City SECAUCUS	State NJ	
	Network Affiliation (if applicable) MY NETWORK	Satellite? <input type="radio"/> Yes <input checked="" type="radio"/> No	
Purpose of Form:			
4.	a. <input type="radio"/> Status Report b. <input checked="" type="radio"/> Update c. <input type="radio"/> Amendment		

If an amendment, submit as an Exhibit a listing by Section and Question Number the portions of the pending application that are being revised.	[Exhibit 1]
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SECTION II - CURRENT STATUS

1.	Currently Assigned Channels:	
	a. NTSC Channel:	9
	b. Post-Transition DTV Channel:	38
	c. Pre-Transition DTV Channel (if different from Post-Transition channel.)	
2.	Relevant FCC File No. for Post-Transition Authorization, if on file with Commission (or indicate "Not Yet Filed"):	
	FCC File No. BLCDT- 20080807AAD	<input type="checkbox"/> Not Yet Filed
3.	Current Construction Deadline:	

SECTION III - POST-TRANSITION FACILITY (Complete all items unless otherwise indicated.)

1.	Operational Status:	
	Is the Licensee/Permittee now operating its fully authorized final, DTV (post-transition) facility?	
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No (If YES, go to Section V; If NO, go to Item 2.)	
2.	If Item 1 is NO (i.e., not fully operational), then indicate operational status of final, DTV (post-transition) facility and indicate date Licensee/Permittee expects to begin full, authorized post-transition operations: (check one)	
	<input type="radio"/> (i) Licensee/Permittee is operating its post-transition facility pursuant to program test authority; see 47 C.F.R. § 73.1620(a). If checked, indicate date Licensee/Permittee expects to file its license to cover (FCC Form 302) application.	Expected Operational Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)
	<input type="radio"/> (ii) Licensee/Permittee is operating its post-transition facility pursuant to special temporary authority (STA) or at a reduced facility. If checked, indicate power level and percentage of analog population covered by reduced facility.	Power Level kW Population: %
	<input type="radio"/> (iii) Licensee/Permittee is not operating its post-transition facility.	
3.	Construction Status:	
	Has the Licensee/Permittee completed construction of its final, DTV (post-transition) facility?	
	<input type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No (If YES, skip Items 4-5 and go to Item 6(a); If NO, go to Item 4.)	
4.	If Item 3 is NO (i.e., not fully constructed), then indicate construction status of final, DTV (post-transition) facility and indicate date Licensee/Permittee expects to complete construction: (check all that apply)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> (i) Licensee/Permittee has not begun construction of its post-transition facility.	Expected Construction Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)
	<input type="checkbox"/> (ii) Licensee/Permittee is now constructing its post-transition facility.	
	<input type="checkbox"/> (iii) Licensee/Permittee has constructed a reduced post-transition facility and additional construction is needed to complete Licensee/Permittee's fully authorized facility.	
5.	Construction Permit Status:	
	Does the Licensee/Permittee hold a license or construction permit for its final, DTV (post-transition) facility?	
	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No (If YES, go to Item 6(a); If NO, skip Item 6(a) and go to Item 6(b).)	

6. a. Does the Licensee/Permittee need to modify its license or construction permit in order to match the post-transition facilities defined for the Licensee/Permittee in the new DTV Table of Allotments, 47 C.F.R. § 73.622(i), as adopted in the Seventh Report and Order in MB Docket No. 87-268?
 Yes No (If YES, go to 6(b); If NO, skip Item 6(b) and go to Section IV.)

b. Has the Licensee/Permittee filed an application for a new or modified construction permit for its final, DTV (post-transition) facility? (If YES, indicate relevant FCC File No. and date filed; If NO, indicate date Licensee/Permittee expects to file such application.) (NOTE: To qualify for expedited processing, the Licensee/Permittee must file its application within 45 days of the effective date of the Report and Order in the Third DTV Periodic Review proceeding, MB Docket No. 07-91, as well as meet other criteria established in that proceeding.)
 Yes FCC File No.- Filing Date: (mm/dd/yyyy)
 No Expected Filing Date:(mm/dd/yyyy)

SECTION IV -- ADDITIONAL STEPS NEEDED TO COMPLETE CONSTRUCTION (For Licensees/Permittees that are not fully constructed or operational.)

At present, Licensee/Permittee has the following needs that must be addressed before it can fully construct and/or operate its final, DTV (post-transition) facility: (check all that apply and for all checked responses, describe issue and estimate date of resolution. If necessary, provide an explanation or attach an Exhibit).	[Exhibit 2]
<input type="checkbox"/> (1) Licensee/Permittee needs to obtain FCC action on a pending application. (If checked, indicate date filed and relevant FCC File No.) FCC File No. - _____ Date filed: (mm/dd/yyyy)	
<input type="checkbox"/> (2) Licensee/Permittee needs to obtain international government clearance for its post-transition facility.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (3) Licensee/Permittee needs to obtain FAA approval for its post-transition facility.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (4) Licensee/Permittee needs to obtain state or local governmental approval (e.g., zoning) for its post-transition facility.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (5) Licensee/Permittee needs to obtain, adjust and/or install equipment for its post-transition facility. (If checked, specify need below and indicate when equipment was ordered and expected delivery date.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> (1) New antenna.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (2) Adjust or install antenna (except for side-mount issue).	
<input type="checkbox"/> (3) Switch side-mounted DTV antenna with top-mounted analog antenna.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (4) New transmitter.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (5) Adjust or install transmitter.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (6) General installation of equipment requiring hiring of a tower crew.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (7) Other equipment needs. (If checked, specify.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> (6) Licensee/Permittee needs to change its tower location or construct a new tower.	
<input type="checkbox"/> (7) Licensee/Permittee needs to coordinate its transition with other broadcast stations. (If checked, specify Call Signs of those other stations.)	
<input type="checkbox"/> (8) Licensee/Permittee has other needs that must be addressed before it can fully construct and operate its post-transition facility. (If checked, explain.)	

SECTION V -- ANALOG SERVICE

Status of Analog Service. (Check one.) If necessary, provide an explanation or attach an Exhibit. Note: Full-power television broadcast stations must cease broadcasting in analog as of the transition date (i.e., February 17, 2009), as required by statute; see 47 U.S.C. § 309(j)(14).	[Exhibit 3]
<input checked="" type="radio"/> (1) Licensee/Permittee will continue to provide full, authorized analog service until the transition date.	
<input type="radio"/> (2) Licensee/Permittee has obtained FCC approval to reduce its analog service prior to the transition date. If checked, indicate relevant FCC File No., date reduced service will begin, power level and percentage of population covered by Licensee/Permittee's analog service.	
<input type="radio"/> (3) Licensee/Permittee has obtained FCC approval to terminate its analog service prior to the transition date. If checked, indicate relevant FCC File No. and date service will cease.	
<input type="radio"/> (4) Licensee/Permittee has filed an application with the FCC requesting approval to reduce its analog service prior to the transition date. If checked, indicate relevant FCC File No., proposed date reduced service would begin, proposed power level and percentage of population that would be covered by Licensee/Permittee's proposed reduced analog service.	

(5) Licensee/Permittee has filed an application with the FCC requesting approval to terminate its analog service prior to the transition date. If checked, indicate relevant FCC File No. and proposed date service will cease.

Licensee/Permittee must describe in detail its plans for ceasing analog broadcasting by the February 17, 2009 transition date and for completing construction of its post-transition facility by the deadline. For example, plan must include a detailed time line of the Licensee/Permittee's plans to complete construction and any necessary testing of the Licensee/Permittee's full, authorized post-transition facility.	[Exhibit 4]
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SECTION VII -- ANTI-DRUG ABUSE ACT CERTIFICATION

Filer certifies that neither it nor any party to the form is subject to denial of federal benefits pursuant to Section 5301 of the Anti-Drug Abuse Act of 1988, 21 U.S.C. Section 862.	<input checked="" type="radio"/> Yes <input type="radio"/> No
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SECTION VIII -- CERTIFICATION

I certify that the statements in this application are true, complete, and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief, and are made in good faith. I acknowledge that all certifications and attached Exhibits are considered material representations. I hereby waive any claim to the use of any particular frequency as against the regulatory power of the United States because of the previous use of the same, whether by license or otherwise, and request an authorization in accordance with this application. (See Section 304 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.)

Typed or Printed Name of Person Signing DIANNE SMITH	Typed or Printed Title of Person Signing VICE PRESIDENT
Signature	Date 9/15/2008

WILLFUL FALSE STATEMENTS ON THIS FORM ARE PUNISHABLE BY FINE AND/OR IMPRISONMENT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 18, SECTION 1001), AND/OR REVOCATION OF ANY STATION LICENSE OR CONSTRUCTION PERMIT (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 312(a)(1)), AND/OR FORFEITURE (U.S. CODE, TITLE 47, SECTION 503).

Exhibits

Exhibit 4

Description: TRANSITION UPDATE

ON AUGUST 7, 2008, WWOR-DT FILED A LICENSE TO COVER ITS POST-TRANSITION FACILITY. THE OTHER INFORMATION IN EXHIBIT 4 REMAINS CURRENT.

Attachment 4

Description
Transition Plan

Analog Operations Plan:

- WWOR-TV Channel 9 will sign-off at 11:59:59pm on February 17, 2009.

Digital Operations Plan:

- Pre-transition WWOR-DT is operating on Channel 38 at the Empire State Building at a HAAT of 397 meters with maximum authorized power, and sharing a multi-station antenna system that also serves WCBS-DT, WNBC-DT, WABC-DT, WPIX-DT and WNET-DT.
 - Work is in process and will be completed by August 4, 2008 on replacing the current shared DTV antenna system at Empire. Once complete the new system will improve the abilities of the member stations in providing better over-the-air signals to our viewers in Brooklyn and Queens. This system will become the post-transition system.
- WABC-DT, WPIX-DT, and WNET-DT post-transition will no longer be part of this shared antenna system as they will move to their pre-transition VHF allotment.
- Post-transition WWOR-DT will continue to operate along with WCBS-DT and WNBC-DT on the shared Empire UHF Master Antenna system with no changes to its current operational parameters.
- On June 24, 2008 the FCC accepted for filing a construction permit application for maximization of WWOR-DT facilities at the Empire State Building. This application proposes to move the current antenna location to the top of the tower and allow for an increase in ERP. We anticipate starting work after gaining FCC approval and working out final coordination details with the building and other licensed users on the tower. It should be noted that work at this historic landmark is severely limited by several factors. First the buildings observation deck which is located directly below the broadcast antenna systems operates into the early morning hours. We anticipate working with the building to limit the hours and start our nightly work as early as 12 midnight. In order to best serve our viewers we anticipate being back on the air each day at 5am. This will allow us a 4-5 hour per night work window which will yield 3-4 hours of actual on-tower work time. While some initial tower structural studies have been completed we need to undertake a comprehensive study which will produce an accurate bill of materials and identify issues, which then will assist in developing our formal time-line. Based on our past experience at this facility and the need to finalize antenna design while working closely with over 30 licensed users we would expect completion of this project in the fall of 2010.

- Time Line:
 - Immediately - February 2009, work on-going to produce a detailed analysis of the tower loads.
 - February 2009 – June 2009 study and resolve tower design and loading issues, coordinate with other users that will be impacted by future work.
 - June 2009 finalize agreements with users that will participate in multi-station antenna systems.
 - July 2009 – November 2009 start tower preparation by removal of all unused antenna systems and general tower maintenance.
 - November 2009 – March 2010 work will continue inside the building in support of the tower activities. Due to the extremely limited space and the historic nature of the facility this work (Transmission Lines, Control Lines, Combiners, and Electrical facilities) will take considerable time and care. Due to these factors we will use the winter months to complete the indoor portions.
 - March 2010 – September 2010 Completion of the tower structural and antenna mounting work.
 - September 2010 – October 2010 System final test and operation.

- Many variables as noted above could impact our desire to achieve this in a timely fashion our planning and execution will be molded around these variables but designed to provide the best possible signals to our viewers during and through this process.