

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the matter of)	
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Paxson Communications Corporation)	
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DTV Construction Requests for)	
WPXN-DT, New York, New York)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AFF, 73356
KKPX-DT, San Francisco, California	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJZ, 22644
WPXG-DT, Concord, New Hampshire	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AKC, 48406
WPXB-DT, Merrimack, New Hampshire	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AKD, 51864
KPXD-DT, Arlington, Texas	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJI, 68834
WWPX-DT, Martinsburg, West Virginia	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304ALE, 23264
KPXB-DT, Conroe, Texas	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJJ, 58835
KPXM-DT, St. Cloud, Missouri	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AEX, 35907
WXPX-DT, Bradenton, Florida	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJG, 6601
WIPX-DT, Bloomington, Indiana	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AKF, 10253
WFPX-DT, Fayetteville, North Carolina	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AKE, 21245
WNPX-DT, Nashville, Tennessee	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AFB, 28468
KPXE-DT, Kansas City, Missouri	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AEW, 33337
WPXP-DT, Lake Worth, Florida	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AKB, 27290
KOPX-DT, Oklahoma City, Oklahoma	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020404AAG, 2566
WQPX-DT, Scranton, Pennsylvania	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AAJ, 64690
WPXC-DT, Brunswick, Georgia	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AFC, 71236
KPXF-DT, Porterville, California	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJH, 35512
WYPX-DT, Amsterdam, New York	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AFG, 13933
WUPX, Morehead, Kentucky	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJY, 23128
KPXO-DT, Kaneohe, Hawaii	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AJF, 77483
WGTX, DT, Burlington, North Carolina	)	File No. BEPCDT-20020304AEZ, 65704

MEMORANDUM OPINION AND ORDER

Adopted: August 22, 2002

Released: August 26, 2002

By the Chief, Media Bureau:

1. The Media Bureau (the "Bureau") has before it a request filed by Paxson Communications Corporation ("Paxson") that the Bureau increase the six-month DTV construction permit extensions granted to the above referenced stations to twelve months. For the reasons stated below, we deny the request.

2. Pursuant to the Commission's Rules, the Bureau may only grant DTV construction permit extensions for a period of six-months on delegated authority. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 73.624. The Bureau is not authorized to grant the requested relief. Furthermore, Paxson has not demonstrated any reason that it should be treated differently from all of the other applicants that were granted the six-month extension authorized by the Rules.

3. If Paxson seeks an additional extension beyond the six-month extension that has been granted to it, it shall be required to file a new FCC Form 337 for each station. These further extension

requests must set forth, in detail, the steps that have been taken to date to complete construction expeditiously and the unforeseeable or uncontrollable delays or events that have prevented the licensee from completing construction of the authorized DTV facilities. Each licensee shall also demonstrate the steps it plans to take towards completion of its station's construction and specify a date on which it reasonably expects to commence DTV operations.

4. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, THAT the request by Paxson Communications Corporation that the Media Bureau increase the six-month DTV construction permit extensions granted to the above referenced stations to twelve months IS DENIED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

W. Kenneth Ferree
Chief, Media Bureau