

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under California, is amended by adding Channel 232A at Farmington.

3. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under California, is amended by removing Channel 232A and adding Channel 232B1 at Grass Valley.

4. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under California, is amended by removing Channel 232A and adding Channel 259A at Jackson.

Federal Communications Commission.

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47 CFR Part 73

[FCC 95-385]

Mass Media: AM Expanded Band Allotment Plan

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; Interpretation.

SUMMARY: On September 1, 1995, in response to requests for reconsideration, the FCC adopted a Memorandum Opinion and Order which rescinded its original AM Expanded Band Allotment Plan, released October 14, 1994, and provides a thirty-day period for comments to correct the AM database and a thirty-day period for comments on the procedures which will be used to generate a new plan based on recalculated ranking factors. A fifteen-day reply period is also provided. This will enable an accurate AM expanded Band Allotment Plan to be issued by the FCC.

DATES: Comments to correct the AM database must be filed on or before October 19, 1995. Comments regarding the procedures which will be used to generate a new Allotment Plan must be submitted on or before October 19, 1995. Reply comments are due on or before November 3, 1995.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC 20554.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Memorandum Opinion and Order adopted September 1, 1995, and released September 6, 1995. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Dockets Branch (Room 230), 1919 M St., NW, Washington, DC (See MM Docket 87-267). The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Downtown Copy Center, 1990 M St., NW, Suite 640, Washington, DC 30036.

The FCC rescinded the AM Expanded Band Allotment Plan Adopted October 14, 1994 (DA 94-1154). The Allotment Plan identified stations that were eligible to apply for authorization for specific expanded band (1605 kHz-1705 kHz) frequency allotments. The Commission also verified that certain errors existed in the AM database used to generate the improvement factor rankings on which the Allotment Plan was based (June 30, 1993-A database) and rescinded the improvement factor ranking list. The Commission called for changes to the June 30, 1993-A AM database to be filed within thirty days of the publication of this Memorandum Opinion and Order in the Federal Register.

The FCC further identified and clarified the standards used to implement a new Allotment Plan and gave interested parties a period of thirty days from the publication of the Memorandum Opinion and Order in the Federal Register to comment thereon. Reply comments may be filed within fifteen days of the comment date.

Final Regulatory Flexibility Analysis

The FCC granted in part requests for reconsideration and review of the AM Expanded Band Allotment Plan adopted October 14, 1994 (DA 94-1154) and rescinded the Allotment Plan and improvement factor ranking list. The Commission will receive requests to change the June 30, 1993-A database during a thirty-day comment period. The FCC also sets forth the procedures to implement the Allotment Plan and provides for a thirty-day comment period and fifteen-day reply period, thereon.

This action is authorized under Sections 4(i) and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and 303(r), and Section 553(b)(3)(A) of the Administrative Procedures Act.

Ordering Clause

Accordingly, it is ordered that the public is afforded thirty days from September 19, 1995 to change the June 30, 1993-A database, thirty days from September 19, 1995 to comment on the allotment plan procedures; and fifteen days from the comment date to file replies to the comments.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73**Radio.**

Federal Communications Commission.

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Acting Secretary.

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