

## Summary of 2nd NPRM

1. *2nd NPRM* addresses several issues relating to use of the 46.7–46.9 GHz, 59–64 GHz, and 76–77 GHz bands. First, we are proposing to amend Part 97 of our rules to restrict temporarily amateur use of the 76–77 GHz band in order to ensure that vehicle radar systems will not receive interference from amateur operations. To balance any perceived harm by amateur operators, we are proposing to upgrade the status of amateur operators in the 77.5–78 GHz band to co-primary with the radiolocation service. We are also proposing limits for emissions in the 200–231 GHz band to protect radio astronomy operations from potential interference. In addition, we are proposing to initiate the development of a spectrum etiquette standard to prevent interference among unlicensed 59–64 GHz devices, analogous to the standards used for unlicensed PCS under Part 15 of our rules, and request specific proposals for such standards. See 47 CFR 15.321 and 15.323.

2. The Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis ("IRFA") is contained in the text of the 2nd NPRM. The Commission requests written public comment on the foregoing IRFA. Comments must have a separate and distinct heading designating them as responses to the IRFA and must be filed by the deadlines specified in the summary above.

## List of Subjects

## 47 CFR Part 2

Communications equipment, Radio.

## 47 CFR Part 15

Communications equipment,  
Highway safety, Radio.

## 47 CFR Part 97

Communications equipment, Radio.  
Federal Communications Commission.  
William F. Caton,  
*Acting Secretary.*

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## 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96–54; RM–8769]

Radio Broadcasting Services;  
Ruidoso, NM

AGENCY: Federal Communications  
Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Kellie K. Brown seeking the allotment of Channel 268A to Ruidoso, NM, as the

community's third aural and second local FM service. Channel 268A can be allotted to Ruidoso in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of a site restriction, at coordinates 33–20–00 NL; 105–40–54 WL. Mexican concurrence is required since Ruidoso is located within 320 kilometers (199 miles) of the U.S.-Mexican border.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before May 13, 1996, and reply comments on or before May 28, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, or its counsel or consultant, as follows: Kellie K. Brown, P.O. Box 4396, Ruidoso, NM 88345 (Petitioner).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leslie K. Shapiro, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, MM Docket No. 96–54, adopted March 1, 1996, and released March 21, 1996. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., (202) 857–3800, 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this one, which involve channel allotments. See 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contacts.

For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, see 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

## List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.  
Federal Communications Commission.  
John A. Karousos,

*Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau.*

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## 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96–50; RM–8768]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Nikiski,  
AK

AGENCY: Federal Communications  
Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed by William J. Glynn, Jr., requesting the allotment of FM Channel 227C2 to Nikiski, Alaska, as that community's first local aural transmission service. Coordinates used for this proposal are 60–35–40 and 151–20–00.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before May 13, 1996, and reply comments on or before May 28, 1996.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, as follows: William J. Glynn, Jr., P.O. Box 79, Kasilof, AK 99610.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Joyner, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, MM Docket No. 96–50, adopted March 5, 1996, and released March 21, 1996. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857–3800, 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

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