

of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended, which require OPM to publish counties certified by the U.S. Attorney General and locations within these counties where citizens can be federally listed and become eligible to vote, and where Federal observers can be sent to observe local elections.

Under section 553(d)(3) of title 5 of the United States Code, the Director finds that good cause exists to make this amendment effective in less than 30 days. The regulation is being made effective immediately in view of the pending election to be held in the subject counties, where Federal observers will observe the election under the authority of the Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

Regulatory Flexibility Act

I certify that this regulation will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because it adds two new locations to the list of counties in the regulations concerning OPM's responsibilities under the Voting Rights Act.

List of Subjects in 45 CFR Part 801

Administrative practice and procedure, Voting Rights.

U.S. Office of Personnel Management.
Lorraine A. Green,
Deputy Director.

Accordingly, OPM is amending 45 CFR Part 801 as follows:

PART 801—VOTING RIGHTS PROGRAM

1. The authority citation for Part 801 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 5 U.S.C. 1103; secs. 7, 9, 79 Stat. 440, 411 (42 U.S.C. 1973e, 1973g).

2. Appendix A to Part 801 is amended by adding alphabetically Galveston and Jefferson Counties of Texas to read as follows:

Appendix A to Part 801

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Dates, Times, and Places for Filing

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Texas

County; Place for filing; Beginning date

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Galveston; 5914 Seawall Boulevard,
Galveston, Texas 77551, (409) 740-1261;
December 9, 1996.

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Jefferson; 1610 I-10 South, Beaumont,
Texas 77707, (409) 842-0037; December 9,
1996.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96-135; RM-8825]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Mena, AR

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document allots Channel 287C3 to Mena, Arkansas, as that community's third local FM transmission service, in response to a petition filed by Wendell Harlan. See 61 FR 34406, July 2, 1996. Coordinates used for Channel 287C3 at Mena, Arkansas, are North Latitude 34-38-46 and West Longitude 94-16-53. With this action, the proceeding is terminated.

DATES: Effective January 21, 1997. The window period for filing applications for Channel 287C3 at Mena, Arkansas, will open on January 21, 1997, and close on February 21, 1997.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nancy Joyner, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180. Questions related to the window application filing process for Channel 287C3 at Mena, Arkansas, should be addressed to the Audio Services Division, (202) 418-2700.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 96-135, adopted November 1, 1996, and released November 8, 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, D.C. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, located at 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 246, or 2100 M Street, N.W., Suite 140, Washington, D.C. 20037.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Part 73 of title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 73—[AMENDED]

1. The authority citation for Part 73 continues to read as follows:

Authority: Secs. 303, 48 Stat., as amended, 1082; 47 U.S.C. 154, as amended.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Arkansas, is amended by adding Channel 287C3 at Mena.

Federal Communications Commission
John A. Karousos,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

[Docket No. 951116270-5308-02; I.D. 1002961]

Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Summer Flounder Fishery; Adjustments to the 1996 North Carolina State Quota

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Commercial quota adjustment.

SUMMARY: NMFS announces an adjustment to the commercial quota for the North Carolina 1996 summer flounder fishery. This action complies with regulations implementing the Fishery Management Plan for the Summer Flounder Fishery (FMP), which require that annual quota overages landed in any state be deducted from that state's quota for the following year. The public is advised that a quota adjustment has been made and is informed of the revised quota for the State of North Carolina.

EFFECTIVE DATE: December 5, 1996, through December 31, 1996.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Lucy Helvenston, 508-281-9347.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Regulations implementing Amendment 2 to the FMP are found at 50 CFR part 648 subparts A and G. The regulations require annual specification of a commercial quota that is apportioned among the Atlantic coastal states from North Carolina through Maine. The process to set the annual commercial quota and the percentage allocated to each state are described in § 648.100. The commercial summer flounder quota for the 1996 calendar year, adopted to ensure achievement of the appropriate fishing mortality rate of 0.41 for 1996, was set to equal 11,111,298 lb (5.0 million kg) (January 4, 1996, 61 FR 291). The notification of a commercial quota

transfer from North Carolina to Virginia was published on March 13, 1996 (61 FR 10286). This quota transfer is reflected in Table 1.

Section 648.100(d)(2) provides that all landings for sale in a state shall be applied against that state's annual commercial quota. Any landings in excess of the state's quota will be deducted from that state's annual quota for the following year. Based on dealer reports and other available information, NMFS published final landings for 1995 and associated quota adjustments on April 5, 1996 (61 FR 15199). At that

time, available data indicated that North Carolina had landings for 1995 that were actually 6,727 lb (3,051 kg) less than its 1995 quota. Since that notification was published, additional landings of 599,475 lb (271,917 kg) have been reported for 1995 for North Carolina, meaning that North Carolina now has an overage for 1995 of 592,748 lb (268,866 kg) (equals 599.475 lb less 6,727 lb). These landings data for North Carolina which were just recently obtained by NMFS, necessitate publication of an adjustment. This adjustment reduces the 1996 North

Carolina quota allocation from 3,043,816 lb (1,380,652 kg) to 2,451,068 lb (1,111,786 kg). Therefore, any overage in North Carolina's 1996 commercial fishery will be calculated by deducting the total landings in 1996 from the adjusted quota of 2,451,068 lb (1,111,786 kg). This action does not affect a notification concerning the commercial quota harvest that prohibited further landing of summer flounder by federally permitted vessels in North Carolina made effective March 15, 1996 (61 FR 11344).

TABLE 1.—ADJUSTED 1996 COMMERCIAL QUOTA FOR THE SUMMER FLOUNDER FISHERY

	1995 Quota (lb)	1995 Landings (lb)	1995 Overage (lb)	Initial 1996 quota (lb)	Adjusted 1996 quota	
					(lb)	(kg)
ME	6,987	5,318	0	5,284	5,284	2,397
NH	67	0	0	51	51	23
MA	1,122,246	1,127,995	5,749	757,841	752,092	341,143
RI	2,243,224	2,365,465	122,241	1,742,583	1,620,342	734,975
CT	331,574	306,404	0	250,791	250,791	113,757
NY	1,243,374	1,248,078	4,704	849,680	844,976	383,275
NJ	2,306,198	2,298,303	0	1,858,363	1,858,363	842,939
DE	2,614	3,072	458	1,977	1,519	689
MD	199,551	136,167	0	226,570	226,570	102,770
VA	3,182,177	3,355,838	173,661	2,374,342	2,200,681	998,212
NC	3,974,018	4,566,766	592,748	3,043,816	2,451,068	1,111,786

Classification

This action is required by 50 CFR part 648 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: December 5, 1996.

Gary C. Matlock,

*Acting Assistant Administrator for Fisheries,
National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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