

LATA to retrieve stored information from, or file information for storage in, information storage facilities of such company that are located in another LATA." Because BOCs were able to provide incidental interLATA services immediately upon enactment of the 1996 Act, they may provide interLATA information services that fall within the scope of section 271(g)(4) without receiving section 271(d) authorization from the Commission. Since section 271(g)(4) services are not among the incidental interLATA services exempted from section 272 separate affiliate requirements, however, they must be provided in compliance with those requirements. To the extent that parties have argued in the record that centralized data storage and retrieval services that fall within section 271(g)(4) either are not interLATA information services, or are not subject to the section 272 separate affiliate requirements, we specifically reject these arguments.

Federal Communications Commission.  
William F. Caton,  
*Acting Secretary.*  
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#### 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96-43; RM-8754, RM-8830]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; Frederiksted and Charlotte Amalie, VI

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Final rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission, at the request of Jose J. Arzuaga, allots Channel 269B1 at Frederiksted, Virgin Islands, as the community's third local FM transmission service (RM-8754). See 61 FR 10978, March 18, 1996. We also, at the request of Calypso Communications, substitute Channel 297B1 for Channel 246B at Charlotte Amalie, Virgin Islands, and modify Station WVNX(FM)'s construction permit accordingly (RM-8830). Channel 269B1 can be allotted at Frederiksted in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements at city reference coordinates. The coordinates for Channel 269B1 at Frederiksted are North Latitude 17-42-48 and West Longitude 64-53-00. Additionally, Channel 297B1 can be allotted at Charlotte Amalie in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 20.8 kilometers (12.9

miles) east at Station WVNX(FM)'s presently authorized site. The coordinates for Channel 297B1 at Charlotte Amalie are North Latitude 18-20-30 and West Longitude 64-43-59. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

**DATES:** Effective April 14, 1997. The window period for filing applications for Channel 269B1 at Frederiksted, Virgin Islands, will open on April 14, 1997, and close on May 15, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon P. McDonald, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 96-43, adopted February 21, 1997, and released February 28, 1997. 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 contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 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:

#### 47 CFR PART 73—[AMENDED]

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

Authority: Sections 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 Virgin Islands, is amended by adding Channel 269B1 at Frederiksted; and by removing Channel 246B and adding Channel 297B1 at Charlotte Amalie.

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 679

[Docket No. 961126334-7025-02; I.D. 022897E]

#### Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska, Pacific Cod in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska

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

**ACTION:** Closure.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS is closing directed fishing for Pacific cod by vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Western Regulatory Area of the Gulf of Alaska (GOA). This action is necessary to prevent exceeding the allocation of Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA.

**EFFECTIVE DATES:** 1200 hrs, Alaska local time (A.l.t.), March 3, 1997, until 2400 hrs, A.l.t., December 31, 1997.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Thomas Pearson, 907-486-6919.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The groundfish fishery in the GOA exclusive economic zone is managed by NMFS according to the Fishery Management Plan for Groundfish of the Gulf of Alaska (FMP) prepared by the North Pacific Fishery Management Council under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Fishing by U.S. vessels is governed by regulations implementing the FMP at subpart H of 50 CFR part 600 and 50 CFR part 679.

The final specification of the allocation of Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Western Regulatory Area of the GOA was established by the Final 1997 Harvest Specifications of Groundfish for the GOA (62 FR 8179, February 24, 1997) as 17,442 metric tons (mt), determined in accordance with § 679.20(a)(6)(iii).

In accordance with § 679.20(d)(1)(i), the Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS (Regional Administrator), has determined that the ITAC for Pacific cod by vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Western Regulatory Area will soon be reached. Therefore, the Regional Administrator is establishing a directed fishing allowance of 17,142 mt, and is setting aside the remaining 300 mt as

bycatch to support other anticipated groundfish fisheries. In accordance with § 679.20(d)(1)(iii), the Regional Administrator finds that this directed fishing allowance will soon be reached. Consequently, NMFS is prohibiting directed fishing for Pacific cod by vessels catching Pacific cod for processing by the inshore component in the Western Regulatory Area.

Maximum retainable bycatch amounts for applicable gear types may be found in the regulations at § 679.20 (e) and (f).

#### Classification

This action is required by 50 CFR 679.20 and is exempt from review under E.O. 12866.

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

Dated: March 3, 1997.

Bruce Morehead,

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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