

conformity with standstill legislation proposed by House Agriculture Committee Chairman Smith. This seriatim action will most likely be the final opportunity for the Commission to achieve a regulatory moratorium, in light of the Chairperson's refusal to provide the Commission with an opportunity to vote on this important public policy issue.

Extension of the comment period for a longer period is necessary to avoid the need for emergency legislation and to reassure the markets that the legal status of swap and hybrid transactions will not change without Congressional action.

Dated: September 11, 1998.

Barbara Pedersen Holum,
Commissioner.

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INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT COOPERATION AGENCY

Agency for International Development

22 CFR Part 201

[USAID Regulation 1]

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Rules and Procedures Applicable to Commodity Transactions Financed by USAID: Inspection and Price Provisions

AGENCY: U.S. Agency for International Development, IDCA.

ACTION: Proposed rule withdrawn.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) published a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** on August 8, 1997 (62 FR 42712). The proposed rule explained that USAID planned to change the procedure used to assure that prices paid to suppliers for transactions financed under Commodity Import Programs (CIPs) are fair and reasonable by implementing a pre-shipment review process managed from USAID/Washington. USAID has instead decided that its Mission in Egypt will manage all aspects of the CIP since the only remaining program is in Egypt. The Mission in Egypt does not plan to implement a pre-shipment review program; therefore, the proposed rule is being withdrawn.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kathleen J. O'Hara, (202) 712-0610.

Dated: September 4, 1998.

Marcus L. Stevenson,
Procurement Executive.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-164, RM-9357]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Linn, MO

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition filed by R. Lee and Sarah H. Wheeler, proposing the allotment of Channel 276A to Linn, Missouri, as that community's first local broadcast service. The channel can be allotted to Linn without a site restriction at coordinates 38-29-06 and 91-51-06.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before November 2, 1998, and reply comments on or before November 17, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC. 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner's counsel, as follows: John M. Pelkey, Haley Bader & Potts, P.L.C., 4350 North Fairfax Drive, Suite 900, Arlington, VA 22203-1633.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:
Kathleen Scheuerle, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 98-164, adopted September 2, 1998, and released September 11, 1998. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission'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 Services, Inc., 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC. 20036, (202) 857-3800, facsimile (202) 857-3805.

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* contact.

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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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-162, RM-9263]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Sugar Hill and Toccoa, GA

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Southern Broadcasting of Pensacola, Inc., seeking the substitution of Channel 291C1 for Channel 291C at Toccoa, GA, the reallocation of Channel 291C1 from Toccoa to Sugar Hill, GA, and the modification of Station WSTE-FM's license accordingly. The Commission requests comments on whether pre-1964 stations grandfathered short-spaced stations and pre-1989 grandfathered short-spaced Class A stations should be allowed to change their community of license where there is no change in their presently licensed technical facilities. Channel 291C1 can be allotted to Sugar Hill with a site restriction of 45.7 kilometers (28.4 miles) northeast, at coordinates 34-22-41 NL; 83-39-30 WL. This site, which is the transmitter site specified in Station WSTE-FM's outstanding construction permit (BPH-970325IC), will maintain the present grandfathered short-spacing to Station WYAY, Channel 294C, Gainesville, GA.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before November 2, 1998, and reply comments on or before November 17, 1998.

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: Gary S. Smithwick, Smithwick & Belendiuk, P.C., 1990 M Street, N.W., Suite 510, Washington, D.C. 20036 (Counsel to 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. 98-162, adopted September 2, 1998, and released September 11, 1998. 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, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

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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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-158, RM-9342]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Grants and Peralta, NM

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Educational Media Foundation ("petitioner"), permittee of noncommercial educational Station KQLV, Channel 288C, Grants, NM, requesting the substitution of Channel 288C1 for Channel 288C at Grants, the reallocation of Channel 288C1 to Peralta, NM, as the community's first local aural service, the modification of Station KQLV's permit to specify Peralta as its community of license and the allotment of Channel 244C3 to Grants as its fourth local FM service. Channel 288C1 can be

allotted to Peralta in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 12.3 kilometers (7.6 miles) west, at coordinates 34-47-55 NL; 106-48-59, to accommodate petitioner's desired transmitter site. Channel 244C3 can be allotted to Grants without the imposition of a site restriction, at coordinates 35-09-06; 107-51-36.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before November 2, 1998, and reply comments on or before November 17, 1998.

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: Robert C. Fisher, Veronica D. McLaughlin, Fisher Wayland Cooper Leader & Zaragoza L.L.P., 2001 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20006-1851 (Counsel to 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. 98-158, adopted September 2, 1998, and released September 11, 1998. 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, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

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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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-165, RM-9322]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Refugio, TX

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition filed by WAB Broadcasting, proposing the allotment of Channel 263A to Refugio, Texas. The channel can be allotted to Refugio with a site restriction 5 kilometers (3.1 miles) north of the community. The coordinates for Channel 263A are 28-21-00 and 97-16-30. Concurrence of the Mexican government will be requested for this allotment.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before November 2, 1998, and reply comments on or before November 17, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC. 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner's counsel, as follows: Lawrence Roberts, Davis Wright Tremaine LLP, 1155 Connecticut Avenue, N.W., Suite 700, Washington, D.C. 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen Scheuerle, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 98-165, adopted September 2, 1998, and released September 11, 1998. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission'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 Services, Inc., 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC. 20036, (202) 857-3800, facsimile (202) 857-3805.

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