221A to Amherst, NY, as the community's first local FM service. See 61 FR 65509, December 13, 1996. The request of Culver Communications Corp. to allot Channel 221A to Lockport, NY, is denied. Channel 221A can be allotted to Amherst in compliance with the Commission's minimum mileage separation requirements with respect to all domestic allotments without the imposition of a site restriction, at coordinates 42-58-42 North Latitude and 78-48-00 West Longitude. The allotment is short-spaced to Channel 219C1, St. Catharines, Ontario, Channels 221C1/221B, Brantford, Ontario, and Channel 222B, Oshawa, Ontario, Canada. However, concurrence by the Canadian government has been received in the Amherst allotment as a specially negotiated sort-spaced allotment. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

DATES: Effective January 20, 1998. A filing window for Channel 221A at Amherst, New York, will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening a filing window for this channel will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 96-240, adopted November 19, 1997, and released December 5, 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 contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

# 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: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, 336.

# §73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under New York, is amended by adding Amherst, Channel 221A.

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. 97-132; RM-9081]

# Radio Broadcasting Services; Mesquite, NV

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission, at the request of Will Kemp, allots Channel 244C to Mesquite, NV, as the community's second local FM service. See 62 FR 27711, May 21, 1997. Channel 244C can be allotted to Mesquite in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 5.4 kilometers (3.4 miles) north, at coordinates 36-51-15 North Latitude and 114-03-30 West Longitude, to avoid a short-spacing to the outstanding construction permit (BMPH-960607IH) of Station KTVF, Channel 244C2, Williams, AZ, and to one of the pending applications (ARN-950825MB) for Channel 244C2 at Lake Havasu City, AZ. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

**DATES:** Effective January 20, 1998. A filing window for Channel 244C at Mesquite, NV, will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening a filing window for this channel will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 97-132, adopted November 12, 1997, and released December 5, 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 contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

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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: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, 336.

#### §73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Nevada, is amended by adding Channel 244C at Mesquite.

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. 961107312-7021-02; I.D. 120897B]

Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Groundfish of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area; Apportionment of Reserve

**ACTION:** Apportionment of reserve; request for comments.

SUMMARY: NMFS apportions reserve to certain target species in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands management area (BSAI). This action is necessary to account for previous harvest of the total allowable catch (TAC). It is intended to promote the goals and objectives of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council.

**DATES:** Effective December 16, 1997. Comments must be received no later than 4:30 p.m., Alaska local time, January 2, 1998.

ADDRESSES: Comments may be sent to Susan Salveson, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, 709 West 9th Street, Room 453, Juneau, AK 99801 or P.O. Box 21688, Juneau, AK 99802, Attn: Lori Gravel.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mary Furuness, 907–586–7228.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The groundfish fishery in the BSAI exclusive economic zone is managed by NMFS according to the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the

Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area (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 parts 600 and 679.

The Administrator, Alaska Region, NMFS, has determined that the initial TACs specified for Greenland turbot in the Bering Sea subarea and squid and "other species" in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands subarea need to be supplemented from the non-specific reserve in order to continue operations and account for prior harvest.

Therefore, in accordance with § 679.20(b)(3), NMFS apportions from the reserve to TACs for the following

species: Bering Sea subarea—2,245 metric tons (mt) to Greenland turbot; Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands subareas—295 mt to squid, 3,870 mt to "other species."

The apportionments are consistent with § 679.20(b)(1)(ii) and do not result in overfishing of a target species or the "other species" category because the revised TACs are equal to or less than specifications of acceptable biological catch.

#### Classification

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

The Assistant Administrator for Fisheries, NOAA, has determined, under section 553(b)(3)(B) and (d)(3) of

the Administrative Procedure Act and 50 CFR 679.20(b)(3)(iii)(A), that good cause exists for waiving the opportunity for prior public comment and the 30-day delayed effectiveness period for this action. Fisheries are currently taking place that will be supplemented by this apportionment. Delaying the implementation of this action would be disruptive and costly to those ongoing operations.

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801, *et seq.* Date: December 11, 1997.

#### Gary C. Matlock,

Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service. [FR Doc. 97–32946 Filed 12–16–97; 8:45 am] BILLING CODE 3510–22–F