

definition. Consequently, the Commission estimates that fewer than 129 providers of local exchange service are small entities or small competitive LECs that may be affected by these proposals.

21. *Reporting, record keeping and other compliance requirements.* The Commission expects that, on balance, the proposals in this Further Notice will slightly increase price cap LECs' administrative burdens. The proposals in Section VIII.A would require at least one additional tariff filing, and may require additional showings. The proposals in Section VIII.B will require a price cap LEC, to the extent that it chooses to avail itself of the additional flexibility, to file a petition demonstrating that it has met the triggers, and make an initial tariff filing. The Commission expects that the proposals in Sections VIII.C and VIII.D would establish new methodologies that price cap LECs would need to apply in their tariff filings, but otherwise should not affect their administrative burdens.

22. The Commission expects that the proposals in Section VIII.E will have no effect on the administrative burdens of competitive LECs, because they would have no additional filing requirement. They would only be required to respond to complaints.

23. *Steps taken to minimize significant economic impact on small entities, and significant alternatives considered.* In this Notice, the Commission sought comment on how a number of proposals would affect small entities. The Commission believes that overall, these proposals should have a positive economic impact on small price cap LECs. The proposals in Sections VIII.A, VIII.B, and VIII.C should enable small price cap LECs to price their regulated services in a manner that is more reflective of the underlying costs of these services. In Sections VIII.C, the Commission has also sought comment on whether small interexchange carriers would be artificially disadvantaged if it adopts a capacity-based local switching rate structure. The proposals in Sections VIII.D and VIII.E should not have a significant economic impact on small entities. The Commission seeks comment on these proposals and urge that parties support their comments with specific evidence and analysis.

24. *Federal rules which overlap, duplicate or conflict with this proposal.* None.

B. Paperwork Reduction Act

25. The Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking contains either a proposed or modified information collection. As part of its continuing effort to reduce

paperwork burdens, the Commission invites the general public and the OMB to take this opportunity to comment on the information collections contained in the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, as required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, 44 U.S.C. 3501-3520. Public and agency comments are due at the same time as other comments on the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking; OMB comments are due 60 days from date of publication of the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the **Federal Register**. Comments should address: (a) Whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

C. Filing Comments

26. Pursuant to §§ 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments on or before October 29, 1999, and reply comments on or before November 29, 1999. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings* (63 FR 24121, May 1, 1998).

27. Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <<http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appears in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

28. Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one

docket or rulemaking number appear in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. All filings must be sent to the Commission's Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth St., SW., Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554.

E. Ordering Clauses

29. *It is ordered*, pursuant to sections 1, 4(i) and (j), 201-205, 303(r), and 403 of the Communications Act, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 151, 154(i), 154(j), 201-205, 303(r), and 403 that this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking *is hereby adopted* and comments are requested as described above.

30. *It is further ordered* that the Commission's Office of Public Affairs Reference Operations Division, shall send a copy of this Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, including the Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration.

List of Subjects

47 CFR Part 0

Organization and functions.

47 CFR Part 1

Administrative practice and procedure, Communications common carriers, Telecommunications.

47 CFR Part 61

Communications common carriers, Telephone.

47 CFR Part 69

Communications common carriers, Telephone.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 99-1849; MM Docket No. 99-278; RM-9424]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Susquehanna, PA and Conklin, NY

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition jointly filed by

Majac of Michigan, Inc. and Equinox Broadcasting Corporation proposing the reallocation of Channel 223A from Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, to Conklin, New York, and the modification of Station WKGB-FM's license accordingly. Petitioners also request the reallocation of Channel 263A from Conklin, New York, to Susquehanna, Pennsylvania, and the modification of Station WCDW(FM)'s license accordingly. Channel 223A can be reallocated to Conklin in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of site restriction at Station WKGB-FM's requested site. The coordinates for Channel 223A at Conklin are 42-06-53 North Latitude and 75-51-16 West Longitude. See Supplementary Information, *infra*.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before November 1, 1999, reply comments on or before November 16, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioners, or their counsel or consultants, as follows: John J. McVeigh, Esq., 12101 Blue Paper Trail, Columbia, Maryland 21044-2787 (Counsel for Equinox Broadcasting Corporation); and Peter Tannenwald, Esq., Irwin Campbell & Tannenwald, P.C., 1730 Rhode Island Ave., NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20036-3101 (Counsel for Majac of Michigan, Inc.).

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 99-278, adopted September 9, 1999, and released September 10, 1999. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Additionally, Channel 263A can be reallocated to Susquehanna without the imposition of a site restriction. The coordinates for Channel 263A at Susquehanna are 42-02-30 North Latitude and 75-41-30 West Longitude. Since Conklin and Susquehanna are located within 320 kilometers (200 miles) of the U.S.-Canadian border, concurrence of the Canadian

government has been requested. In accordance with provisions of Section 1.420(i) of the Commission's Rules, we will not accept competing expressions of interest in the use of Channel 223A at Conklin, New York, or Channel 263A at Susquehanna, Pennsylvania.

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

[DA 99-1851; MM Docket No. 99-280; RM-9672]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Elaine, AR

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed on behalf of Phillips County Broadcasting, requesting the allotment of Channel 238A to Elaine, Arkansas, as that community's first local aural transmission service. Coordinates used for this proposal are 34-22-52 NL and 90-45-56 WL.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before November 1, 1999, and reply comments on or before November 16, 1999.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner's counsel, as follows: Allan G. Moskowitz, Esq., Kaye, Scholer,

Fierman, Hays & Handler, LLP, 901 15th Street, NW., Suite 1100, Washington, DC 20005.

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. 99-280, adopted September 1, 1999, and released September 10, 1999. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857-3800.

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List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 99-1851; MM Docket No. 99-281; RM-9684]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Ringgold, LA

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed on behalf of Black Lake Broadcasting, requesting the allotment of Channel 253C3 to Ringgold,