

operation²² pursuant to section 307(e) of the Communications Act (Act).²³ Under this approach, medical devices would operate in the band on a shared, non-exclusive basis with respect to each other and without the need for MBAN systems to be individually licensed. As the Commission determined when it adopted the MedRadio Service rules, this approach minimizes regulatory burdens and facilitates the expeditious deployment of new generations of beneficial wireless medical devices that can improve the quality of life for countless Americans, thus serving the public interest, convenience and necessity.

73. Alternatively, the Commission also seeks comment on whether MBAN operations should be licensed on a non-exclusive basis under part 90. Under that approach, MBAN operations would be licensed on a non-exclusive basis with respect to each other for ten year license terms. The Commission seeks comment on whether it should consider using the same approach here as we do with wireless broadband services in the 3650–3700 MHz band, *i.e.*, eligible entities would apply for non-exclusive nationwide licenses and subsequently register individual stations with the Commission.²⁴ If this approach were to be adopted, the Commission also seeks comment on whether it should require that licensees register each individual MBAN system or, alternatively, require them to register the individual health care facility at which the licensee would be allowed to operate multiple MBAN systems. In this regard, the Commission seeks comment on what type of licensing and registration information for MBAN operations would facilitate coordination with incumbent services; and what would be the relative benefits and disadvantages of licensing under part 90 compared with the license-by-rule approach under part 95.

E. Steps Taken To Minimize Significant Economic Impact on Small Entities, and Significant Alternatives Considered

74. The RFA requires an agency to describe any significant alternatives that it has considered in reaching its

proposed approach, which may include the following four alternatives (among others): (1) The establishment of differing compliance or reporting requirements or timetables that take into account the resources available to small entities; (2) the clarification, consolidation, or simplification of compliance or reporting requirements under the rule for small entities; (3) the use of performance, rather than design, standards; and (4) an exemption from coverage of the rule, or any part thereof, for small entities.²⁵

75. The Commission also invites commenters to address the validity of the competing interference modeling studies that have already been placed into the record by GEHC and AFTRCC. Each party reaches opposite, alternative conclusions concerning whether MBAN operation would pose an undue interference risk to AMT operations in the 2360–2395 MHz band. The Commission asks commenters to address which aspects of these interference models would be appropriate, or not, to be relied upon under the particular factual circumstances herein. For example, should interference potential be evaluated in this instance by reference to worst-case static models or by other statistical simulations such as the Monte Carlo approach type relied upon by GEHC? Why or why not? Would some other interference modeling approaches give results providing a greater degree of confidence in their merit?

F. Federal Rules That May Duplicate, Overlap, or Conflict With the Proposed Rules

76. None.

Ordering Clauses

77. Pursuant to Sections 4(i), 301, 302, 303(e), 303(f) and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC Sections 154(i), 301, 302, 303(e), 303(f) and 303(r), this *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* is adopted.

78. The Commission's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Reference Information Center, SHALL SEND a copy of this *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, including the Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 09–1532; MB Docket No. 08–153; RM–11477]

Television Broadcasting Services; Bangor, ME

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Dismissal.

SUMMARY: The Commission dismisses the pending rulemaking petition filed by Community Broadcasting Service (“Community Broadcasting”), the licensee of WABI–DT, digital channel 19, Bangor, Maine, which requests the substitution of channel 12 for digital channel 19 at Bangor. Community Broadcasting's proposed channel substitution requires coordination and concurrence with the Canadian government because the proposed facility is located within the Canadian coordination zone. The Canadian government has indicated that Community Broadcasting's proposed channel substitution is not acceptable. Therefore, the Commission dismisses Community Broadcasting's petition for rulemaking.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Adrienne Y. Denysyk, Media Bureau, (202) 418–1600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Order*, MB Docket No. 08–153, adopted July 13, 2009, and released July 14, 2009. The full text of this document is available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Information Center at Portals II, CY–A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. This document will also be available via ECFS (<http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>). (Documents will be available electronically in ASCII, Word 97, and/or Adobe Acrobat.) This document may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1–800–478–3160 or via e-mail <http://www.BCPIWEB.com>. To request this document in accessible formats (computer diskettes, large print, audio recording, and Braille), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Commission's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice), (202) 418–0432 (TTY). This document does not contain information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act

²² See 47 CFR 95.401 (d).

²³ Under Section 307(e) of the Act, the Commission may authorize the operation of radio stations by rule without individual licenses in certain specified radio services when the Commission determines that such authorization serves the public interest, convenience, and necessity. The services set forth in this provision for which the Commission may authorize operation by rule include: (1) The Citizens Band Radio Service, (2) the Radio Control Service, (3) the Aviation Radio Service, and (4) the Maritime Radio Service. See 47 USC 307(e)(1).

²⁴ See 47 CFR 90.1307.

²⁵ See 5 U.S.C. 603(c).

of 1995, Public Law 104–13. In addition, therefore, it does not contain any information collection burden “for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees,” pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107–198, *see* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4). Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

This document is not subject to the Congressional Review Act. (The Commission, is, therefore, not required to submit a copy of this *Order* to the Government Accountability Office, pursuant to the Congressional Review Act, *see* 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A) since this proposed rule is dismissed, herein.)

Federal Communications Commission.

Clay C. Pendarvis,

Associate Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 09–1534; MB Docket No. 09–122; RM–11544]

Television Broadcasting Services; Bangor, ME

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission has before it a petition for rulemaking filed by Community Broadcasting Service (“Community Broadcasting”), the licensee of WABI–DT, digital channel 19, Bangor, Maine. Community Broadcasting requests the substitution of channel 13 for digital channel 19 at Bangor.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before August 21, 2009, and reply comments on or before August 31, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve counsel for petitioner as follows: Michelle A. McClure, Esq., Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC, 1300 North 17th Street, 11th Floor, Arlington, Virginia 22209.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s Notice of

Proposed Rule Making, MB Docket No. 09–122, adopted July 13, 2009, and released July 14, 2009. The full text of this document is available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC’s Reference Information Center at Portals II, CY–A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. This document will also be available via ECFS (<http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>). (Documents will be available electronically in ASCII, Word 97, and/or Adobe Acrobat.) This document may be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1–800–478–3160 or via e-mail <http://www.BCPIWEB.com>. To request this document in accessible formats (computer diskettes, large print, audio recording, and Braille), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Commission’s Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice), (202) 418–0432 (TTY). This document does not contain proposed information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, Public Law 104–13. In addition, therefore, it does not contain any proposed information collection burden “for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees,” pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107–198, *see* 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4).

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

Television, Television broadcasting.

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission proposes to amend 47 CFR part 73 as follows:

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES

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

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

§ 73.622(i) [Amended]

2. Section 73.622(i), the Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments under Maine, is amended by adding DTV channel 13 and removing DTV channel 19 at Bangor.

Federal Communications Commission.

Clay C. Pendarvis,

Associate Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 09–1544; MB Docket No. 09–123; RM–11546]

Television Broadcasting Services; New Haven, CT

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission has before it a petition for rulemaking filed by Connecticut Public Broadcasting, Inc. (“CPBI”), the licensee of noncommercial educational television station WEDY(TV), digital channel *6, New Haven, Connecticut. CPBI requests the substitution of digital channel *41 for channel *6 at New Haven.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before August 21, 2009, and reply comments on or before August 31, 2009.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve counsel for petitioner as follows: Steven C. Schaffer, Esq., Schwartz, Woods & Miller, 1233 20th Street, NW., Suite 610, Washington, DC 20036–7322.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MB Docket No. 09–123, adopted July 13, 2009, and released July 16, 2009. The full text of this document is available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC’s Reference Information Center at Portals II, CY–A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. This document will also be available via ECFS (<http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>). (Documents will be available electronically in ASCII, Word 97, and/or Adobe Acrobat.) This document may be purchased from the