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#### List of Subjects

##### 47 CFR Part 1

Administrative practice and procedure, Communications common carriers.

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##### 47 CFR Part 101

Communications common carriers, Communications equipment, Radio, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Television.

Federal Communications Commission.

**William F. Caton,**  
*Acting Secretary.*

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#### 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 87-455; RM-5899, RM-6223, RM-6224, RM-6225, RM-6226, RM-7111]

**Radio Broadcasting Services; Perry, Cross City, Holiday, Avon Park, Sarasota, and Live Oak, FL, and Thomasville, GA**

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document grants a Motion for Severance filed by Women in

Florida Broadcasting, Inc. concerning the action in this proceeding upgrading Station WDFL, Channel 292A, Cross City, Florida, to specify operation on Channel 295C1. See 54 FR 30549 (July 21, 1989).

**EFFECTIVE DATE:** January 11, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Robert Hayne, Mass Media Bureau (202) 634-6530.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Memorandum Opinion and Order* in MM Docket 87-455, adopted December 27, 1994, and released January 6, 1995. The full text of this Commission action is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW, Washington, D.C. The complete text of this action may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 2100 M Street, NW, Suite 140, Washington, D.C. 20037.

#### List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

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#### 47 CFR Part 80

[WT Docket No. 94-153; FCC 94-328]

#### Designate Prince William Sound as a Radio Protection Area for Mandatory Vessel Traffic Services (VTS)

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission has proposed rules to add Prince William Sound to the United States Coast Guard (Coast Guard) designated radio protection areas for mandatory VTS and establish marine VHF Channel 11 as the VTS frequency for Prince William Sound. This action is in response to a request from the Coast Guard. The designation of Prince William Sound as a VTS area will allow the Coast Guard to manage vessel traffic in a more efficient manner.

**DATES:** Comments must be submitted on or before February 24, 1995; reply comments on or before March 13, 1995.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** James Shaffer, (202) 418-0680, Private Radio Bureau.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making FCC 94-328, adopted December 16, 1994, and released January 3, 1995. The full text of this Notice of Proposed Rule Making is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room 230, 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC. The complete text may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., 2100 M Street, Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037, telephone (202) 857-3800.

#### Summary of Notice of Proposed Rule Making

1. The Coast Guard filed a petition (RM-8199), Public Notice No. 1932, requesting that the Commission amend Part 80 of the Rules, 47 CFR part 80, to add Prince William Sound to the Coast Guard designated radio protection areas for mandatory VTS and establish marine VHF Channel 11 (156.550 MHz) as the VTS frequency for Prince William Sound.

2. As a result of the Oil Pollution Act of 1990, Pub. L. 101-380, 104 Stat. 484, the Coast Guard plans to implement a mandatory Automated Dependent Surveillance (ADS) system for cargo ships, e.g. oil tankers, that operate in Prince William Sound. The ADS will operate as part of the proposed VTS system and is scheduled to begin operation in July 1994. An ADS system works as follows: the vessel determines its position using a highly accurate differential GPS receiver and automatically transmits its position, identification and the time of the position to the Coast Guard using digital selective calling (DSC) techniques on VHF marine Channel 70 (156.515 MHz). The Coast Guard needs Channel 11 to supplement Channel 70 ADS use and for voice VTS communications in support of vessel traffic control operations.

3. Designating Prince William Sound as a VTS area will allow the Coast Guard to manage vessel traffic in that area more efficiently and protect the marine environment by preventing vessel collisions and groundings. We are proposing, therefore, to add Prince William Sound to the Commission's list of designated radio protection areas for VTS systems specified in Section 80.383. The radio protection area will be defined as "The rectangle between North latitudes 61 degrees 17 minutes and 59 degrees 22 minutes and West longitudes 149 degrees 39 minutes and 145 degrees 36 minutes."