

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, MM Docket No. 96-175, adopted August 23, 1996, and released August 30, 1996. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC'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 Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

Channel 272A was allotted to Strasburg, Colorado, in MM Docket No. 89-61. See *Report and Order*, 4 FCC Rcd 7570 (1989), 54 FR 45735, October 31, 1989. However, Channel 272A at Strasburg, Colorado, does not appear in 47 CFR 73.202(b), the Table of Allotments. Therefore, as announced in the *Notice* in this proceeding, we will make an editorial amendment to the FM Table of Allotments to include Channel 272A at Strasburg, Colorado, at the conclusion of the instant rule making proceeding.

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.

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47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96-53; RM-8767]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Marinette, WI

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; dismissal.

SUMMARY: This document dismisses a *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* issued

in response to a petition filed by Douglas A. Maszka d/b/a Tri-City Television Company requesting the allotment of Channel 25 to Marinette, Wisconsin. See 61 FR 14043, March 29, 1996. On August 7, 1996, Tri-City filed comments withdrawing its interest in the allotment at Marinette. As stated in the *Notice*, a showing of continuing interest is required before a channel will be allotted, and absent such an expression of interest, it is the Commission's policy to refrain from allotting a channel. Due to a lack of interest in Channel 25 at Marinette, we shall dismiss the proposal. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

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New England Fishery Management Council; Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a special 1-day meeting to consider

actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone.

DATES: The meeting is scheduled for Monday, September 9, 1996, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, One Newbury Street, Peabody, MA; telephone (508) 535-4600. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1097; telephone: (617) 231-0422.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The September 9, 1996, meeting is being convened specifically to consider final action on several pending framework adjustments to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP).

The Council will consider final action on Framework Adjustments 18 and 19 to the FMP under the framework for abbreviated rulemaking procedure contained in 50 CFR 648.90. If approved, Framework Adjustment 18 would allow herring and mackerel fishing with pelagic mid-water trawls in areas of Georges Bank now closed to all gear capable of catching groundfish. Framework Adjustment 19, would replace the Gulf of Maine area closures now in place to enhance groundfish conservation with alternatives that may alleviate some of the economic burden to fishermen without compromising the objectives of the FMP.

The Council considers public comments at a minimum of two Council meetings prior to making final recommendations to the Director, Northeast Region, NMFS, (Regional Director) under the provisions for abbreviated rulemaking, cited above. If the Regional Director concurs with the measures proposed by the Council, he will publish them as a final rule in the Federal Register.

There will be a discussion of an experimental fishery to assess the selectivity of longline gear. The Regional Director is considering an experimental fishery for a vessel involved in a Saltonstall/Kennedy Grant awarded to the New England Aquarium and entitled "Selectivity and Survival of Atlantic Cod (*Gadus morhua*) and Haddock (*Melanogrammus aeglefinus*) in a Northwest Atlantic Longline Fishery." The Massachusetts Division of Marine Fisheries (MADMF) is assisting in the project and would assist in the completion of the experimental fishery. The objective of the project is to assess