

(D) The opportunity to speak with staff, either by telephone or in person, who are trained to clarify information and answer questions about paternity establishment;

(ii) Provide the mother and alleged father, if he is present, the opportunity to voluntarily acknowledge paternity;

(iii) Afford due process safeguards; and

(iv) Forward completed acknowledgements or copies to the State registry of birth records.

(3) The hospitals, birth record agencies, and other entities participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program need not provide services specified in paragraph (g)(2) of this section in cases where the mother or alleged father is a minor or a legal action is already pending, if the provision of such services is precluded by State law.

(4) The State must require that a voluntary acknowledgement be signed by both parents, and that the parents' signatures be authenticated by a notary or witness(es).

(5) The State must provide to all hospitals, birth record agencies, and other entities participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program:

(i) Written materials about paternity establishment, ii) forms necessary to voluntarily acknowledge paternity, and

(ii) Form necessary to voluntarily acknowledge paternity, and

(iii) Copies of a written description of the alternatives to, the legal consequences of, and the rights (including any rights, if a parent is a minor, due to minority status) and responsibilities of acknowledging paternity.

(6) The State must provide training, guidance, and written instructions regarding voluntary acknowledgment of paternity, as necessary to operate the voluntary paternity establishment services in the hospitals, birth record agencies, and other entities participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program.

(7) The State must assess each hospital, birth record agency, and other entity participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program that are providing voluntary paternity establishment services on at least an annual basis.

(8) The State must designate the State registry of birth records as the entity to which hospitals, birth record agencies, and other entities that are participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program must forward completed voluntary acknowledgements or copies in accordance with

§ 303.5(g)(2)(iv). Under State procedures, the State registry of birth records must be responsible for promptly recording identifying information about the acknowledgements with a statewide database, and the IV-D agency must have timely access to whatever identifying information and documentation it needs to determine in accordance with § 303.5(h) if an acknowledgement has been recorded and to seek a support order on the basis of a recorded acknowledgement in accordance with § 303.4(f).

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#### PART 304—FEDERAL FINANCIAL PARTICIPATION

5. The authority citation for Part 304 continues to read as follows:

**Authority:** 42 U.S.C. 651 through 655, 657, 1302, 1396a(a)(25), 1396b(d)(2), 1396b(o), 1396b(p) and 1396(k).

6. Section 304.20 is amended by revising paragraph (b)(2)(vi) through paragraph (6)(2)(viii) to read as follows:

##### § 304.20 Availability and rate of Federal financial participation.

(b) \* \* \*

(2) \* \* \*

(vi) Payments up to \$20 to hospitals, birth record agencies, and other entities participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program, under § 303.5(g) of this chapter, for each voluntary acknowledgement obtained pursuant to an agreement with the IV-D agency;

(vii) Developing and providing to hospitals, birth record agencies, and other entities participating in the State's voluntary paternity establishment program, under § 303.5(g) of this chapter, written and audiovisual materials about paternity establishment and forms necessary to voluntarily acknowledge paternity; and

(viii) Reasonable and essential short-term training associated with the State's program of voluntary paternity establishment services under § 303.5(g).

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 97-244, RM-9200]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; Kerrville, TX

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by The Stronghold Foundation, Inc., requesting the allotment of Channel 291A to Kerrville, TX, as the community's third local FM station. Channel 291A can be allotted to Kerrville in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of a site restriction. The coordinates for Channel 291A at Kerrville are 30-02-48 NL and 99-08-24 WL. Since Kerrville is located within 320 kilometers (199 miles) of the U.S.-Mexican border, concurrence of the Mexican government has been requested.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before February 9, 1998, and reply comments on or before February 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, or its counsel or consultant, as follows: Bradford D. Carey, Hardy and Carey, L.L.P., 111 Veterans Boulevard, Suite 255, Metairie, Louisiana, 70005 (Counsel for petitioner).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pam Blumenthal, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 97-244, adopted December 10, 1997, and released December 19, 1997. 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 contractor, ITS, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

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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### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

#### 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 97-245; RM-9202]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; St. Marys, WV

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Seven Ranges Radio Company, Inc., proposing the allotment of Channel 287A St. Marys, West Virginia, as the community second local FM transmission service. Channel 287A can be allotted to St. Marys in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 10.8 kilometers (6.7 miles) southeast to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station WZNW(FM), Channel 288B1, Bethlehem, West Virginia. The coordinates for Channel 387A at St. Marys are North Latitude 39-18-03 and West Longitude 81-15-19. Since St. Marys is located within 320 kilometers (200 miles) of the U.S.-Canadian border, concurrence of the Canadian government has been requested.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before February 9, 1998, and reply comments on or before February 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, his counsel, or consultant, as follows: Thomas P. Taggart, Esq., P.O. Box 374, St. Marys, West Virginia 26170 (Counsel for Petitioner).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sharon P. McDonald, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 97-245, adopted December 10, 1997, and released December 19, 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 Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, Washington, DC 20036.

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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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### FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

#### 47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 97-246; RM-9205]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; Walla Walla, WA, and Hermiston, OR

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Mark Jacky Broadcasting proposing the substitution of Channel 256C2 for Channel 256C3 at Walla Walla, Washington, and the modification of Station KUJ-FM's construction permit accordingly. To accommodate the upgrade, petitioner also requests the

substitution of Channel 258A for Channel 257A at Hermiston, Oregon, and the modification of Station KQFM(FM)'s license accordingly. Channel 256C2 can be substituted at Walla Walla in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of a site restriction at petitioner's requested site. The coordinates for Channel 256C2 at Walla Walla are North Latitude 45-59-38 and West Longitude 118-10-47. Additionally, Channel 258A can be substituted at Hermiston in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements at Station KQFM(FM)'s presently authorized site. The coordinates for Channel 258A at Hermiston are North Latitude 45-51-57 and West Longitude 119-18-45.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before February 9, 1998, and reply comments on or before February 24, 1998.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner, his counsel, or consultant, as follows: Robert Lewis Thompson, Esq., Taylor, Thiemann & Aitken, L.C., 908 King Street, Suite 300, Alexandria, Virginia 22314 (Counsel for Petitioner).

#### FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Sharon P. McDonald, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 97-246, adopted December 10, 1997, and released December 19, 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 Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

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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.