

77-25-17. The coordinates for Channel 297A at South Bristol Township are 42-44-47; 77-25-35. The coordinates for Channel 271A at Albion are 43-14-48; 78-11-36.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before March 23, 1998, and reply comments on or before April 7, 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: Marissa G. Repp, Hogan & Hartson L.L.P., 555 Thirteenth Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20004-1109 (Counsel to petitioner).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leslie K. Shapiro, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 98-8, adopted January 21, 1998, and released January 30, 1998. 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 Services, 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.

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Radio broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 98-9, RM-9216]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Pleasanton, KS

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition by the City of Pleasanton, Kansas, requesting the allotment of Channel 268C3 to Pleasanton as the community's first local aural transmission service. Channel 268C3 can be allotted to Pleasanton in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements without the imposition of a site restriction. The coordinates for Channel 268C3 at Pleasanton are 38-10-30 NL and 94-42-42 WL.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before March 23, 1998, and reply comments on or before April 7, 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: John S. Sutherland, 522 Main Street, P.O. Box 117, Mound City, Kansas 66056 (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. 98-9, adopted January 21, 1998, and released January 30, 1998. 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.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

50 CFR Part 648

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Fisheries of the Northeastern United States; Northeast Multispecies Fishery; Reopening of Scoping Process for Hake

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

ACTION: Notice of intent to prepare a supplemental environmental impact statement (SEIS) and notice of reopening the scoping process for silver hake, offshore hake, and red hake; request for comments.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) announces its intent to prepare an amendment to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (FMP) to conserve silver hake (whiting, *Merluccius bilinearis*), offshore hake (*Merluccius albidus*), and red hake (*Urophycis chuss*) stocks, and to prepare an SEIS to analyze the impacts of any proposed management measures. The Council also formally announces the reinitiation of a public process to determine the scope of issues to be addressed in the environmental impact analysis. The purpose of this notice is to alert the interested public of the reopening of the scoping process and to provide for public participation in compliance with environmental documentation requirements.

DATES: Written comments on the scope of the SEIS may be submitted until March 17, 1998. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for specific dates and times of scheduled scoping meetings.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and requests for copies of the scoping document should be sent to Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New