

performance of the functions of the Commission, including whether the information shall have practical utility; (b) the accuracy of the Commission's burden estimates; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

#### D. Comment Filing Procedures

Pursuant to §§ 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments on Phase 2 on or before December 21, 2000, and reply comments on or before January 30, 2001. For Phase 3, interested parties may file comments on or before January 30, 2001, and reply comments on or before February 28, 2001. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies.

Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to [ecfs@fcc.gov](mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov), and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form your e-mail address." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appear in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. All filings must be sent to the Commission's Secretary, Magalie Roman Salas, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C. 20554.

Parties who choose to file by paper should also submit their comments on diskette. These diskettes should be submitted to: Ernestine Creech, Accounting Safeguards Division, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, D.C.

20554. Such a submission should be on a 3.5-inch diskette formatted in an IBM compatible format using Word or compatible software. The diskette should be accompanied by a cover letter and should be submitted in "read only" mode. The diskette should be clearly labeled with the commenter's name, proceeding (including the docket number, in this case CC Docket No. 00-199, type of pleading (comment or reply comment), date of submission, and the name of the electronic file on the diskette. The label should also include the following phrase "Disk Copy—Not an Original." Each diskette should contain only one party's pleadings, preferably in a single electronic file. In addition, commenters must send diskette copies to the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036.

Written comments by the public on the proposed and/or modified information collections are due on or before December 13, 2000. Written comments must be submitted by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) on the proposed and/or modified information collections on or before January 12, 2001. In addition to filing comments with the Secretary, a copy of any comments on the information collections contained herein should be submitted to Judy Boley, Federal Communications Commission, Room 1-C804, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554, or via the Internet to [jboley@fcc.gov](mailto:jboley@fcc.gov) and to Edward Springer, OMB Desk Officer, 10236 NEOB, 725-17th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20503.

#### III. Ordering Clauses

Pursuant to the authority contained in sections 4(i), 4(j), 11, 201(b), 303(r), and 403 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 154(i), 154(j), 161, 201(b), 303(r), and 403, this NPRM is adopted.

The Commission's Consumer Information Bureau, Reference Information Center, shall send a copy of this NPRM, including the Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis, to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the Small Business Administration.

Federal Communications Commission.

**Magalie Roman Salas,**  
Secretary.

#### Appendix 1—USTA'S ARMIS Reporting Proposals

USTA proposes streamlining the following items:

1. Combine ARMIS 43-01, 02 [B1, I1], 03 and 04 (See USTA June 9 letter); allow

reporting at OTC level (Operating Telephone Company) for majority of data (Proposed Table III, Separations and Access would be by study area).

2. Eliminate ARMIS 43-02 Schedules B4 and I2. (Note: USTA also proposed elimination of B12, which was eliminated in Phase 1.)

3. Modify required nonregulated adjustment threshold from \$1 million per holding company to \$1 million or 2% nonregulated expense; require aggregation of only material dollars rather than every dollar.

4. Eliminate ARMIS 43-07, Infrastructure Report.

5. Streamline ARMIS 43-08, Operating Data Report—Eliminate tables of access lines (2) and traffic data (see USTA Letter).

6. Eliminate ARMIS 495/A and 495/B Reports.

7. One definition for "access lines" should be used. (Billable Access lines currently in ARMIS 43-01).

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 73

[DA 00-2374; MM Docket No. 00-149; RM-9940]

### Radio Broadcasting Services; Smiley, TX

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; dismissal.

**SUMMARY:** Smiley Community Radio Company filed a petition for rule making proposing the allotment of Channel 280A at Smiley, Texas, as the community's first local aural transmission service. See 65 FR 53689, September 5, 2000. On October 10, 2000, petitioner filed a request for withdrawal. A showing of continuing interest is required before a channel will be allotted. It is the Commission's policy to refrain from making an allotment to a community absent an expression of interest. No other comments were filed. Therefore, at the request of petitioner, we will dismiss the instant proposal.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Sharon P. McDonald, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 00-149, adopted October 11, 2000, and released October 20, 2000. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW., 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, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Federal Communications Commission.

**John A. Karousos,**

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 73

[DA 00-2420; MM Docket No. 00-208; RM-9977]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; Huachuca City, AZ

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed on behalf of Santa Cruz Broadcasting, requesting the allotment of Channel 232A to Huachuca City, Arizona, as a first local aural transmission service. Information is requested regarding the attributes of Huachuca City to determine whether it is a *bona fide* community for allotment purposes. Additionally, as Huachuca City is located within 320 kilometers (199 miles) of the U.S.-Mexico border, and will result in short spacings to three Mexican allotments, concurrence of the Mexican government to the proposed allotment of Channel 232A to Huachuca City, as a specially-negotiated short-spaced allotment must be obtained. Coordinates used for this proposal are 31-32-30 NL and 110-23-20 WL.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before December 18, 2000, and reply comments on or before January 2, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner's counsel, as follows: Susan A. Marshall Esq., Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC, 1300 North 17th Street, 11th Floor, Arlington, VA 22209.

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

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 00-208, adopted October 18, 2000, and

released October 27, 2000. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857-3800. 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.

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 and 336.

##### § 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Arizona, is amended by adding Huachuca City, Channel 232A.

Federal Communications Commission.

**John A. Karousos,**

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 73

[DA 00-2420; MM Docket No. 00-209; RM-9978]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; Rio Rico, AZ

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed on behalf of Santa Cruz Broadcasting, requesting the allotment of Channel 300A to Rio Rico, Arizona, as a first local aural transmission service. Information is requested regarding the attributes of Rio Rico to determine whether it is a *bona fide* community for allotment purposes. Additionally, as Rio Rico is located within 320 kilometers (199 miles) of the U.S.-Mexico border, and will result in short spacings to two Mexican allotments, concurrence of the Mexican government to the proposed allotment of Channel 300A to Rio Rico, as a specially-negotiated short-spaced allotment must be obtained. Coordinates used for this proposal are 31-24-00 NL and 110-57-30 WL.

**DATES:** Comments must be filed on or before December 18, 2000, and reply comments on or before January 2, 2001.

**ADDRESSES:** Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner's counsel, as follows: Susan A. Marshall Esq., Fletcher, Heald & Hildreth, PLC, 1300 North 17th Street, 11th Floor, Arlington, VA 22209.

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