

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Pappas Southern California License, LLC, licensee of station KAZA-TV, NTSC channel 54, Avalon, California, proposing to amend the DTV Table of Allotments to allot either DTV Channel 29 or DTV Channel 47 to Avalon, which presently does not have a paired DTV Channel allotment. With respect to Pappas' request that the Commission initiate a rule making proceeding to allot DTV Channel 29 to Avalon, the Commission has previously amended the DTV Table of Allotments to substitute DTV Channel 29c for Channel 47 at Ontario, California. Thus, DTV Channel 29 is not available for allotment to Avalon.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before August 23, 2002, and reply comments on or before August 28, 2002.

ADDRESSES: The Commission permits the electronic filing of all pleadings and comments in proceeding involving petitions for rule making (*except in broadcast allotment proceedings*). See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rule Making Proceedings*, GC Docket No. 97-113 (rel. April 6, 1998). Filings by paper can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). The Commission's contractor, Vistrionix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building. Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, 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 Griffith Johnson, Jr., Esquire, Paul, Hastings, Janofsky & Walker, LLP, 1299 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW., 19th Floor, Washington,

DC 20004-2400 (Counsel for Pappas Southern California License, LLC).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joyce Bernstein, Media Bureau, (202) 418-1600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MB Docket No. 02-223, adopted August 5, 2002, and released August 7, 2002. The full text of this document is available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC, 20554. This document may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, telephone 202-863-2893, facsimile 202-863-2898, or via-e-mail qualexint@aol.com.

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

Digital television broadcasting, Television.

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.

§ 73.622 [Amended]

2. Section 73.622(b), the Table of Digital Television Allotments under California is amended by adding Avalon, DTV channel 47.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 02-1951; MM Docket No. 01-241; RM-10247]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Oscoda, MI

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; dismissal.

SUMMARY: Charles Crawford filed a petition for rule making proposing the allotment of Channel 243A at Oscoda, Michigan, as the community's third local FM transmission service. See 66 FR 49593, September 28, 2001. On November 2, 2002, petitioner filed a request for dismissal. 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. Therefore, at the request of petitioner, we will dismiss the instant proposal.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 01-241, adopted July 31, 2002, and released August 9, 2002. 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, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554.

Federal Communications Commission.

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