of the VRS providers’ service, and all VRS providers must be able to receive calls from, and make calls to, any VRS consumer. As consumers increasingly rely on VRS as their preferred means of using TRS to access the telephone system, the Commission finds that it is in the public interest that all VRS consumers can place and receive calls through any VRS providers’ service in the event of emergency and urgency. Therefore, this Declaratory Ruling concludes that providers must ensure that all VRS consumers can place and receive calls through any of the VRS providers’ service in order to receive compensation from the Interstate TRS Fund. The Interstate TRS Fund administrator distributes the VRS providers for reasonable costs of providing VRS. Each year, the Interstate TRS Fund administrator, the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. (NECA), proposes the compensation rates for the various forms of TRS, including VRS, to the Commission. NECA collects and reviews projected cost and minutes of use data submitted by TRS providers to determine the annual TRS compensation rates. Reasonable compliance cost is included in the projected cost submitted by TRS providers. See paragraphs 8–9, supra. See also, TRS Fund Performance Status Reports maintained by National Exchange Carrier Association (NECA) as of October 31, 2005, http://www.neca.org (under Resources, then TRS Fund). In order to be compensated for the costs of providing VRS, the providers are required to meet the applicable TRS mandatory minimum standards as required in § 64.604. See generally 47 CFR 64.604(c)(5)(iii)(E) of the Commission’s rules. Reasonable costs of compliance with this Declaratory Ruling are compensable from the Fund. Because the providers will be recouped for the costs of compliance within a reasonable period, the Commission asserts that the providers will not be detrimentally burdened. Therefore, the Commission certifies that the requirements of this Declaratory Ruling will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities.

The Commission also notes that, arguably, there are not a substantial number of small entities that will be affected by our action. The SBA has developed a small business size standard for Wired Telecommunications Carriers, which consists of all such firms having 1,500 or fewer employees. 13 CFR 121.201 of the Commission’s rules, NAICS code 517110. According to Census Bureau data for 1997, there were 2,225 firms in this category which operated for the entire year. U.S. Census Bureau, 1997 Economic Census, Subject Series: Information, “Establishment and Firm Size (Including Legal Form of Organization).” Table 5, NAICS code 513310 (issued Oct. 2000). Of this total, 2,201 firms had employment of 999 or fewer employees, and an additional 24 firms had employment of 1,000 employees or more. Thus, under this size standard, the majority of firms can be considered small. (The census data do not provide a more precise estimate of the number of firms that have employment of 1,500 or fewer employees; the largest category provided is “firms with 1,000 employees or more.”) Currently, only eight providers are providing VRS and being compensated from the Interstate TRS Fund: AT&T Corp.; Communication Access Center for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing, Inc.; Hamilton Relay, Inc.; Hands On; MCI; Nordia Inc.; Sorenson; and Sprint. The Commission notes that two of the providers noted above are small entities under the SBA’s small business size standard. Because two of the affected providers will be promptly compensated within a reasonable period for complying with this Declaratory Ruling, the Commission concludes that the number of small entities affected by our decision in this Order is not substantial. Therefore, the Commission certifies that the requirements of this Declaratory Ruling will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities. The Commission will send a copy of this Final Regulatory Flexibility Certification, in a report to Congress pursuant to the Congressional Review Act. See 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A). In addition, the Declaratory Ruling and this final certification will be sent to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the SBA. See 5 U.S.C. 605(b).

Congressional Review Act

The Commission will not send a copy of the Declaratory Ruling pursuant to the Congressional Review Act because the adopted rules are rules of particular applicability. See 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

Ordering Clauses

Pursuant to the authority contained in sections 1.2 and 225 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 151, 152 and 225, the Declaratory Ruling is adopted. CCASDH’s Petition is granted to the extent indicated herein. The Declaratory Ruling shall become effective July 31, 2006.

The Commission will send a copy of the Declaratory Ruling, including a copy of this Regulatory Flexibility Certification, to the Chief Counsel for Advocacy of the SBA.

Federal Communications Commission.
Marlene H. Dorch, Secretary.
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 06–992; MB Docket No. 05–269; RM–11267]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Allegan, Mattawan, and Otsego, MI

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document grants a petition filed by Forum Communications, Inc., licensee of FM Station WZUU, proposing the substitution of Channel 223A for Channel 222A at Allegan, reallocation of Channel 223A from Allegan to Mattawan, Michigan, as its first local service and modification of the FM Station WZUU license accordingly. To prevent removal of Allegan’s sole local service, the document grants the reallocation of co-owned Station WQXC–FM, Channel 265A from Otsego to Allegan, Michigan and modification of the Station WQXC–FM license accordingly. A staff engineering analysis has determined that Channel 223A can be allotted to Mattawan in conformity with the Commission’s rules, provided there is a site restriction of 10.6 kilometers (6.6 miles) southeast at reference coordinates 42–07–45 NL and 85–43–13 WL. Additionally, Channel 265A can be allotted to Allegan in conformity with the Commission’s rules, at the Station WQXC(FM) existing transmitter site at coordinates 42–30–31 NL and 85–46–08 WL. The reallocations are located within 320 kilometers (200 miles) of the U.S.-Canadian border. Canadian concurrence has been requested and approved for these reallocations.


FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Rolanda F. Smith, Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission’s Report and Order, MB Docket No. 05–269, adopted May 5, 2006, and released May 8, 2006. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission’s Reference Center, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1–800–378–3160 or http://www.BCPIWEB.com. The Commission will send a copy of this Report and Order in a report to be sent to Congress and the Government Accountability Office pursuant to the Congressional Order, 418 H.R. 269, as amended. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. The document may also be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–A257, Washington, DC 20554. The document may also be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–A257, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1–800–378–3160 or http://www.BCPIWEB.com. The Commission will send a copy of this Report and Order in a report to be sent to Congress and the Government Accountability Office pursuant to the Congressional Review Act, see 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73
Radio, Radio broadcasting.
- For reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission amends 47 CFR part 73 as follows:

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES
The authority citation for part 73 continues to read as follows:

§ 73.202 [Amended]
1. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Michigan, is amended by removing Channel 222A and by adding Channel 265A at Allegan, by adding Mattawan, Channel 223A, and by removing Ostego, Channel 265A. Federal Communications Commission.
John A. Karousos, Assistant Chief, Audio Division, Media Bureau.
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
47 CFR Part 73
[DA 06–986; MB Docket No. 04–375; RM–11038]
Radio Broadcasting Services; Hillsborough and Louisburg, NC
AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.
ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Audio Division, at the request of New Century Media Group, LLC, reallots Channel 273A from Louisburg, North Carolina to Hillsborough, North Carolina, and modifies the license of Station WKKU(FM), accordingly. The coordinates for Channel 273 at Hillsborough are 36–06–49 North Latitude and 79–00–20 West Longitude, with a site restriction of 9.51 kilometers (5.91 miles) northeast of the community.


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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s Report and Order, MB Docket No. 04–375, adopted May 10, 2006, and released May 12, 2006. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC’s Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Room CY–A257, Washington, DC 20554. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1–800–378–3160 or http://www.BCPIWEB.com. The Commission will send a copy of this Report and Order in a report to be sent to Congress and the Government Accountability Office pursuant to the Congressional Review Act, see 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

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