SUMMARY:

ACTION:

Television Broadcasting Services

47 CFR Part 73

COMMISSION

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 21–9; RM–11872; DA 21–40; FRS 17397]

Television Broadcasting Services

Tulsa, Oklahoma

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission has before it a petition for rulemaking filed by KTUL Licensee, LLC, (Licensee), licensee of KTUL, channel 10, Tulsa, Oklahoma, requesting the substitution of channel 14 for channel 10 at Tulsa in the DTV Table of Allotments. The Licensee states that the Commission has recognized that VHF channels have certain propagation characteristics which may cause reception issues for some viewers, and also that reception of VHF signals require larger antennas that are generally not well suited to the mobile applications expected under flexible use, relative to UHF channels. KTUL has received numerous complaints from viewers unable to receive the Station’s over-the-air signal, despite being able to receive signals from other stations. Licensee further states that with respect to operations on channel 14 and nearby land mobile services, it has determined that it can install the appropriate mask filter and antenna needed to avoid interference to land mobile operations. In addition, operation on channel 14 will not result in any predicted loss of service and would result in a substantial increase in signal receivability for KTUL viewers.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before April 9, 2021 and reply comments on or before April 26, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve counsel for petitioner as follows: Paul A. Cicelksi, Esq., Lerman Senter PLLC, 2001 L Street NW, Suite 400, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joyce Bernstein, Media Bureau, at (202) 418–1647; or Joyce Bernstein, Media Bureau, at Joyce.Bernstein@fcc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 21–9; RM–11872; DA 21–40, adopted January 12, 2021, and released January 12, 2021. The full text of this document is available for download at https://www.fcc.gov/edocs. To request materials in accessible formats (Braille, large print, computer diskettes, or audio recordings), please send an email to FCC504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Government Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (VOICE), (202) 418–0432 (TTY).


Members of the public should note that all ex parte contacts are prohibited from the time a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking is issued to the time the matter is longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, see 47 CFR 1.1208. There are, however, exceptions to this prohibition, which can be found in Section 1.1204(a) of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR 1.1204(a).

See Sections 1.415 and 1.420 of the Commission’s rules for information regarding the proper filing procedures for comments, 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Television.

Federal Communications Commission.

Thomas Horan,
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Proposed Rule

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission proposes to amend 47 CFR part 73 as follows:

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1. The authority citation for part 73 continues to read as follows:


§ 73.622 [Amended]

2. Amend § 73.622(i), the Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments under Oklahoma, by removing channel 10 and adding channel 14 at Tulsa.

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DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

National Highway Traffic Safety Administration

49 CFR Part 571

[Docket No. NHTSA–2020–0109]

RIN 2127–AM04

Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standards; Test Procedures; Reopening of Comment Period

AGENCY: National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Reopening of comment period.

SUMMARY: In response to a request from the Alliance for Automotive Innovation (Auto Innovators), NHTSA is announcing a reopening of the comment period on an advance notice of proposed rulemaking (ANPRM) published December 10, 2020. The ANPRM requests public comment on whether any test procedure for any Federal Motor Vehicle Safety Standard (FMVSS) may be a candidate for replacement, repeal, or modification, for reasons other than for considerations...
relevant only to automated driving systems (ADS). The comment period for the ANPRM was originally scheduled to end on February 8, 2021. It will now be reopened and will end on April 9, 2021.

DATES: The comment period for the ANPRM published on December 10, 2020 at 85 FR 79456 is reopened and extended to April 9, 2021.

ADDRESSES: Comments must be submitted by one of the following methods:

- Hand Delivery or Courier: West Building Ground Floor, Room W12–140, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays. To be sure someone is there to help you, please call (202) 366–9322 before coming.
- Fax: (202) 493–2251.
- Internet: http://www.transportation.gov.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For technical issues, you may contact Ms. Mary Versailles, Office of Rulemaking, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590; mary.versailles@dot.gov. For legal issues, you may contact Ms. Callie Roach, Attorney-Advisor, Vehicle Rulemaking and Harmonization, Office of Chief Counsel, (202) 597–1312, 1200 New Jersey Avenue SE, Washington, DC 20590; callie.roach@dot.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On December 10, 2020, NHTSA published an ANPRM to obtain public comments on whether any test procedure for any FMVSS may be a candidate for replacement, repeal, or modification, for reasons other than for considerations relevant only to automated driving systems (ADS) (85 FR 79456). The ANPRM provided examples of test procedures found in FMVSS Nos. 103, 104, 105/135, 121, and 126 to facilitate responses and asked commenters to consider whether the agency should make changes to these test procedures or to any other test procedure. The ANPRM also asked commenters to provide research, evidence, and data to support why such change may be necessary. The ANPRM stated that the closing date for comments was February 8, 2021.

NHTSA received on January 14, 2021 a petition from Auto Innovators for a 30-day extension of the comment period. The request states that additional time is necessary to permit Auto Innovators to conduct a comprehensive review of the extensive number of regulations and FMVSS that contain detailed test procedures, including standards that reference industry standards. Auto Innovators also notes that its efforts to organize group meeting have been hampered by working inefficiencies induced by COVID meeting restrictions. The request can be found in the docket for the ANPRM identified in the heading of this document.

In accordance with NHTSA’s rulemaking procedures in 49 CFR part 553, subpart B, the agency is granting the request to reopen and extend the comment period. We have determined that the requesters have shown good cause for an extension, and that the extension is consistent with the public interest (49 CFR 553.19). A 30-day reopening and extension appropriately balances NHTSA’s interest in providing the public with sufficient time to comment on the notice with its interest in proceeding with this rulemaking in a timely manner. Accordingly, NHTSA is reopening and extending the comment period to the date shown in the DATES section of this document.

Issued in Washington, DC pursuant to authority delegated in 49 CFR 1.95 and 501.8.

Raymond R. Posten,
Associate Administrator for Rulemaking.
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