§ 25.251 Special requirements for coordination.

(a) The administrative aspects of the coordination process are set forth in § 101.103 of this chapter in the case of coordination of terrestrial stations with earth stations, and in § 25.203 in the case of coordination of earth stations with terrestrial stations.

(b) The technical aspects of coordination are based on Appendix S7 of the International Telecommunication Union Radio Regulations and certain recommendations of the ITU Radiocommunication Sector (available at the FCC's Reference Information Center, Room CY–A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554).

15. Section 25.271 is amended by adding new paragraph (e) to read as follows:

§ 25.271 Control of transmitting stations.

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(e) The licensee of an NGSO FSS system operating in the 10.7–14.5 GHz bands shall maintain an electronic web site bulletin board to list the satellite ephemeris data, for each satellite in the constellation, using the North American Aerospace Defense Command (NORAD) two-line orbital element format. The orbital elements shall be updated at least once every three days.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 01–273; MM Docket No. 00–222, RM–10002; MM Docket No. 00–223, RM–10003; MM Docket No. 00–224, RM–10004; MM Docket No. 00–225, RM–10005]

Radio Broadcasting Services; North English, IA; Pendleton, SC; Hamilton TX; Munday, TX

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: This document grants four proposals that allot new channels to North English, Iowa; Pendleton, South Carolina; Hamilton, Texas; and Munday, Texas. Filing windows for Channel 246A at North English, Iowa; Channel 240A at Pendleton, South Carolina; Channel 299A at Hamilton, Texas; and Channel 270C1 at Munday, Texas, will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening a filing window for these channels will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

DATES: Effective March 19, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: R. Barthen Gorman, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order in MM Docket No. 00–222; MM Docket No. 00–223; MM Docket No. 00–224; and MM Docket No. 00–225; adopted January 24, 2001, and released February 2, 2001. 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 contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857–3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

The Commission, at the request of Iowa-Keokuk Radio (Russell Johnson, sole proprietor) allots Channel 246A at North English, Iowa, as the community's first local aural transmission service. See 65 FR 69724 (November 20, 2000). Channel 246A can be allotted at North English in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 7.7 kilometers (4.8 miles) southwest in order to protect the signal of Station WMT–FM, Cedar Rapids, Iowa, on Channel 243C1. The coordinates for Channel 246A at North English are 41–27–15 North Latitude and 92–07–21 West Longitude.

The Commission, at the request of H. David Hedrick, allots Channel 240A at Pendleton, South Carolina, as the community's first local aural transmission service. See 65 FR 69724 (November 20, 2000). Channel 240A can be allotted to Pendleton in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements at city reference coordinates. The coordinates for Channel 240A at Pendleton are 34–38–49 North Latitude and 82–46–37 West Longitude.

The Commission, at the request of Stargazer Broadcasting, Inc., allots Channel 299A at Hamilton, Texas, as the community's second local aural transmission service and first local FM broadcast service. See 65 FR 69724 (November 20, 2000). Channel 299A can be allotted at Hamilton in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 11.4 kilometers (7.1 miles) northwest, in order to protect the signal of Station KAHK(FM), Georgetown, Texas, on Channel 299C3. The coordinates for Channel 299A at Hamilton are 31–46–54 North Latitude and 98–12–08 West Longitude.

The Commission, at the request of MAREE Communications, allots Channel 270C1 at Munday, Texas, as the community's first local aural transmission service. See 65 FR 69724 (November 20, 2000). Channel 270C1 can be allotted at Munday in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 25 kilometers (15.5 miles) northwest, in order to protect the signals of Station KWFR(FM), San Angel, Texas, on Channel 270C1 and Station KZMP–FM, Axle, Texas, on Channel 269C. The coordinates for Channel 270C1 at Munday are 33–37–48 North Latitude and 99–46–57 West Longitude.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Part 73 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended 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 Iowa, is amended by adding North English, Channel 246A.

3. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under South Carolina, is amended by adding Pendleton, Channel 240A.

4. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Texas, is amended by adding Channel 299A at Hamilton and Channel 270C1 at Munday.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 01–272]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Various Locations

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission, on its own motion, editorially amends the Table of FM Allotments to specify the actual classes of channels allotted to various

communities. The changes in channel classifications have been authorized in response to applications filed by licensees and permittees operating on these channels. This action is taken pursuant to *Revision of section 73.3573(a)(1) of the Commission's Rules Concerning the Lower Classification of an FM Allotment*, 4 FCC Rcd 2413 (1989), and the *Amendment of the Commission's Rules to permit FM Channel and Class Modifications [Upgrades] by Applications*, 8 FCC Rcd 4735 (1993).

DATES: Effective February 16, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kathleen Scheuerle, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's Report and Order, adopted January 24, 2001, and released February 2, 2001. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the Commission's Reference Center, 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., 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036, (202) 857–3800, facsimile (202) 857–3805.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

Part 73 of title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended 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 North Carolina, is amended by removing Long Beach and Channel 252C3 and adding Oak Island and Channel 252C3.[1]

3. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Oklahoma, is amended by removing Channel 279C1 and adding Channel 278C1 at Anadarko.

[1] The FM Table of Allotments is being corrected to show the allotment of Channel 252C3 at Oak Island, North Carolina, in lieu of Long Beach, North Carolina. The Town of Oak Island was formed in 1999 when the towns of Long Beach and Yaupon Beach consolidated.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 90

[WT Docket No. 96–86; FCC 01–10]

Public Safety Communications

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission amends its rules to establish operational, technical, and spectrum requirements for the use of the interoperability portion of the 700 MHz public safety band. On February 25, 2000, the Public Safety National Coordination Committee (NCC) released a report with recommendations on these matters. Following the NCC's report, the Commission issued a Fourth Notice of Proposed Rule Making in August 2000. These final rules are based on the NCC recommendations, and the comments the Commission received in response to those recommendations.

DATES: These rules become effective March 19, 2001.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Connelly, Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418–0132.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

1. The Commission's Fourth Report and Order, WT Docket No. 96–86, FCC 01–10, was adopted January 11, 2001, and released on January 17, 2001. The full text of this Commission's 4th R&O is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Room CY–A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Service, Inc., 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20037. The full text may also be downloaded at: http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/releases/fcc0110.doc. Alternative formats are available to persons with disabilities by contacting Martha Contee at (202) 418–0260 or TTY (202) 418–2555.

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2. These actions promote and facilitate the achievement of nationwide and regional interoperability in the 700 MHz public safety band. These actions will enable and accommodate the expeditious development and deployment of public safety equipment in this band without compromising our goal of effective and efficient utilization of the spectrum. A summary of the major decisions follows.

3. The Commission concludes that the states should administer the interoperability channels, with regional planning committees (RPCs) assuming this responsibility if the states decline to do so. States have until December 31, 2001 to inform the Commission whether the states or an RPC will administer the interoperability spectrum. If states decide to administer the interoperability spectrum, they will determine the RPC's role in reviewing applications for interoperability spectrum. The Commission will not require the use of memoranda of understanding.

4. The Commission will not require states and RPCs to use a pre-coordination database at this time. The Public Safety National Coordination Committee (NCC) is directed to revisit this matter once the database is developed and operational.

5. The Commission determines that its rules allow sufficient flexibility to allow state and local governments to grant federal users access to the 700 MHz interoperability spectrum.

6. The Commission adopts blanket licensing of mobile and portable units for all public safety entities if such entities are eligible to hold a 700 MHz band license or such entities otherwise are licensed under Part 90 of our Rules.

7. The Commission rejects a mandatory trunking requirement, but permits trunking on eight interoperability channels on a secondary, non-interference basis. Under this plan, the remaining channel sets are limited to conventional interoperability operations. Licensees that use those channels for trunking must maintain continuous monitoring so that the channels can be released immediately when needed for interoperability communications.

8. The Commission affirms the band plan it adopted in the *Third Memorandum Opinion and Order* in this proceeding.

9. The Commission will not adopt a table of channel assignments for the interoperability channels, believing that such a table would be cumbersome and cause undue administrative burden.

10. The Commission will not codify a new priority scheme for resolving conflicts when demand for interoperability channels exceeds supply of such channels, believing that