

allotted to Chewelah in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 4.9 kilometers (3.0 miles) north to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station KEEH(FM), Channel 284A, Spokane, Washington. The coordinates for Channel *283C3 at Chewelah are North Latitude 48-19-17 and West Longitude 117-44-35. Since Chewelah is located within 320 kilometers (200 miles) of the U.S.-Canadian border, concurrence of the Canadian government has been requested.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before April 7, 1997, and reply comments on or before April 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: 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: Donald E. Martin, P.C., P.O. Box 19351, Washington, DC 20036 (Counsel for Petitioner).

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 97-65, adopted February 7, 1997, and released February 14, 1997. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 1919 M Street, NW., 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, 2100 M Street, NW., Suite 140, Washington, DC 20037.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

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For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, see 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

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Radio broadcasting.

Federal Communications Commission.

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[MM Docket No. 97-57, RM-9016]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Hope, ND

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Vixon Valley Broadcasting seeking the allotment of Channel 284A to Hope, North Dakota, as the community's first local aural service. Channel 284A can be allotted to Hope in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements, without the imposition of a site restriction, at coordinates 47-19-24 NL; 97-43-00 WL. Canadian concurrence in the allotment is required because the community is located within 320 kilometers (200 miles) of the U.S.-Canadian border.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before April 7, 1997, and reply comments on or before April 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: 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: Victor A. Michael, Jr., President, Vixon Valley Broadcasting, c/o Magic City Media, 1912 Capitol Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, WY 82001 (Petitioner).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Leslie K. Shapiro, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

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[MM Docket No. 97-62, RM-9008]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Orofino, ID

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This document requests comments on a petition for rule making filed on behalf of Topaz Enterprises, Inc. proposing the allotment of Channel 253A to Orofino, Idaho, an incorporated community, as its second local FM transmission service. Coordinates used for Channel 253A at Orofino are 46-28-48 and 116-15-00. As Orofino, Idaho, is located within 320 kilometers (199 miles) of the Canadian border, the Commission must obtain the concurrence of the Canadian government to this proposal.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before April 7, 1997, and reply comments on or before April 22, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the petitioner and its consultant, as follows: Topaz Enterprises, Inc., Attn: Dale A. Ganske, President, 5546-3 Century Avenue, Middleton, WI 53562 (Petitioner); and Larry G. Fuss, Contemporary Communications, P.O. Box 1787, Cleveland, MS 38732 (Consultant).