§ 53.207 [Corrected]

2. In § 53.207, in the first sentence, remove the word ''unaffiliated'' and add, in its place ''affiliated.''

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Deputy Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MM Docket No. 96–225; RM–8894, RM–9004]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Canton, Normal, and Heyworth, IL

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission, at the request of WSHY, Inc., allots Channel 252A at Canton, Illinois, as its third local FM transmission service; and Channel 264A at Normal, Illinois, as its second local commercial FM transmission service (RM–8894). *See* 61 FR 60068, November 26, 1996. At the request of Atlantis Broadcasting, Co., L.L.C., we also allot Channel 250A at Heyworth, Illinois, as its first local aural transmission service (RM–9004). Channel 252A can be allotted to Canton in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements with a site restriction of 3.9 kilometers (2.4 miles) west to avoid a short-spacing to the licensed site of Station WIVR(FM), Channel 253A, Eureka, Illinois. The coordinates for Channel 252A at Canton are North Latitude 40–32–46 and West Longitude 90–04–59. *See* Supplementary Information, *infra.*

EFFECTIVE DATE: August 3, 1998. A filing window for Channel 252A at Canton, Illinois, Channel 264A at Normal, Illinois, and Channel 250A at Heyworth, Illinois, 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.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 96–225, adopted June 10, 1998, and released June 19, 1998. 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 contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857–3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Additionally, Channel 264A can be allotted to Normal with a site restriction of 11.1 kilometers (6.9 miles) southwest to avoid short-spacings to the licensed sites of Station WRVY–FM, Channel 263A, Henry, Illinois, and Station WMGI(FM), Channel 264B, Terre Haute, Indiana. The coordinates for Channel 264A at Normal are North Latitude 40–27–38 and West Longitude 89–06–06. Channel 250A can be allotted to Heyworth with a site restriction of 3.8 kilometers (92.4 miles) north to avoid short-spacings to the licensed sites of Station WHMS–FM, Channel 248B, Champaign, Illinois, and Station WLUJ(FM), Channel 249A, Petersburg, Illinois. The coordinates for Channel 250A at Heyworth are North Latitude 40–20–55 and West Longitude 88–58–56. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

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—[AMENDED]

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

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, 336.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Illinois, is amended by adding Channel 252A at Canton; Channel 264A at Normal; and Heyworth, Channel 250A.

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

[MM Docket No. 98–30; RM–9228]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Shenandoah, VA

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission, at the request of Daryl A. Alligood, allots Channel 296A to Shenandoah, VA, as the community's first local aural transmission service. *See* 63 FR 13027, March 17, 1998. Channel 296A can be allotted to the community in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements, at coordinates 38–30–00 NL; 78–36–33 WL, which represents a site restriction of 2.1 kilometers (1.3 miles) northeast to avoid a short-spacing to Station WCHG(FM), Channel 296A, Hot Springs, Virginia. Since the reference coordinates for this allotment are located within the protected areas of the National Radio Astronomy Observatory ''Quiet Zone'' at Green Bank, West Virginia, the petitioner and any other applicants will be required to comply with the notification requirement of Section 73.1030(a) of the Commission's Rules. With this action, this proceeding is terminated.

DATES: Effective July 27, 1998. A filing window for Channel 296A at Shenandoah, VA, will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening a filing window for this channel will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

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

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 98–30, adopted June 3, 1998, and released June 12, 1998. 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 Services, Inc., (202) 857–3800, 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

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—[AMENDED]

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

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334. 336.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Virginia, is amended by adding Shenandoah, Channel 296A.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

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

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Part 235

[DFARS Case 97–D002]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Streamlined Research and Development Contracting

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Interim rule with request for comments.

SUMMARY: The Director of Defense Procurement has issued an interim rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to implement streamlined solicitation and contracting procedures for research and development acquisitions. The streamlined procedures are expected to reduce the time and cost required to obtain proposals and award research and development contracts.

DATES: *Effective date:* June 25, 1998.

Comment date: Comments on the interim rule should be submitted in writing to the address shown below on or before August 24, 1998, to be considered in the formulation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: Interested parties should submit written comments to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Michael Pelkey, PDUSD (A&T) DP (DAR), IMD 3D139, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301–3062. Telefax number (703) 602–0350.

E-mail comments submitted over the Internet should be addressed to: dfars@acq.osd.mil.

Please cite DFARS Case 97–D002 in all correspondence related to this issue. E-mail comments should cite DFARS Case 97–D002 in the subject line.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Michael Pelkey, (703) 602–0131.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

In October 1994, the Director of Defense Procurement authorized a test of certain streamlined solicitation and contracting procedures for research and development acquisitions at certain DoD laboratories. The test results demonstrated the benefits of standardizing the format of solicitations and contracts issued by various contracting activities, and of using the standard format to streamline the solicitation and contracting process. However, to facilitate maintenance of an accurate and timely standard format, to move towards a paperless solicitation and contracting process, and to leverage available information technology, the standard format has been moved from the DFARS to a World Wide Web site. Similarly, solicitations issued using these procedures will be published exclusively on the World Wide Web. This final rule supersedes the interim rule published under DFARS Case 96–D028 on April 4, 1997 (62 FR 16099).

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

The interim rule is not expected to have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, et seq., because the rule merely provides an implementation of electronic contracting procedures already authorized by the Federal Acquisition Regulation. An initial regulatory flexibility analysis has, therefore, not been performed. Comments are invited from small businesses and other interested parties. Comments from small entities concerning the affected DFARS subpart also will be considered in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Such comments should be submitted separately and should cite DFARS Case 97–D002 in correspondence.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.

D. Determination to Issue an Interim Rule

A determination has been made under the authority of the Secretary of Defense that urgent and compelling reasons exist to publish this interim rule prior to affording the public an opportunity to comment. This interim rule provides streamlined procedures, and a standard solicitation and contract format, for acquisition of research and development. Streamlined procedures and use of the World Wide Web will substantially reduce the time and cost required to obtain proposals and award research and development contracts. Any delay in implementing these procedures will result in the loss of potential savings, thus reducing the Department's buying power. Implementation of these procedures will also help the Department achieve its paperless contracting goal by the year 2000. Comments received in response to the publication of this interim rule will be considered in formulating the final rule.

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 235

Government procurement.

Michele P. Peterson,

Executive Editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations Council.

Therefore, 48 CFR Part 235 is amended as follows:

1. The authority citation for 48 CFR Part 235 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR Chapter 1.

PART 235—RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT CONTRACTING

2. Subpart 235.70 is revised to read as follows:

Subpart 235.70—Research and Development Streamlined Contracting Procedures

Sec.

235.7000 Scope.
235.7001 Definitions.
235.7002 Applicability.
235.7003 Research and development streamlined solicitation and contract.
235.7003–1 General.
235.7003–2 RDSS process.
235.7003–3 Proposal evaluation and contract award.
235.7003–4 Additional provisions and clauses.

235.7000 Scope.

This subpart prescribes streamlined procedures for acquiring research and development, using a standard solicitation and contract format and the capabilities of the World Wide Web.

235.7001 Definitions.

As used in this subpart—

(a) *Research and development streamlined contract (RDSC)* means—

(1) A contract that results from use of the research and development streamline solicitation; or

(2) Any other contract prepared in the standard format published at the RDSS/C website.

(b) *Research and development streamlined solicitation (RDSS)* means a solicitation issued in accordance with 235.7003.

(c) *RDSS/C website* means the site on the World Wide Web at ''http://www.rdss.osd.mil/'' where research and development streamlined solicitation and contracting information is published.