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## WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU IMPLEMENTS REVOCATION OF CELLULAR CALL SIGN KNKN271 (NM3 RSA); PHASE II UNSERVED AREA APPLICATION RULES TO BE APPLIED

The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) has implemented the Commission's revocation of cellular call sign KNKN271, held by Alee Cellular Communications (Alee) for the New Mexico 3 RSA, Market 555A (NM3). This action was taken pursuant to the Commission's order in In re Applications of ALGREG Cellular Engineering, et al., *Memorandum Opinion and Order*, 12 FCC Rcd 8148, 8172-8181 (1997) (*Algreg I*), pet. for recon. denied, *Memorandum Opinion and Order and Order on Reconsideration*, 14 FCC Rcd 18524, 18533-18535 (1999) (*Algreg II*), aff'd, *Alee Cellular Communications v. FCC*, No. 99-1460 (D.C. Cir. Jan. 30, 2001), pet. for rehearing denied (D.C. Cir. Apr. 5, 2001), pet. for writ of cert. denied (S.Ct. Oct. 9, 2001).

The Bureau also has granted special temporary authority to Alee to continue to operate its cellular system in the NM3 RSA for the lesser of 180 days from May 30, 2002, or 60 days following receipt of written notification from a new licensee authorized to provide service in any part of Alee's currently authorized cellular geographic service area in the NM3 RSA.

Pursuant to section 22.949(b) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 22.949(b), the area previously licensed to Alee under call sign KNKN271 is now subject to the Phase II cellular unserved area application rules contained in Part 22 of the Commission's rules. Specifically, since the Phase I unserved area licensing period has expired, interested parties may file an application under section 22.949(b), and we invite them to do so. Any such application must protect any previously authorized cellular geographic service area (CGSA) extensions into the NM3 service area for systems operating on cellular channel block A. Phase II unserved area applications may propose only one CGSA per application, and may propose *de minimis* and contract service area boundary (SAB) extensions. Any mutually exclusive Phase II applications for this market will be processed in accordance with section 22.131 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 22.131.

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