

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Amendment of Section 73.622(b),)	MM Docket No. 01-301
Table of Allotments,)	RM-10207
Digital Television Broadcast Stations.)	
(Mississippi State, Mississippi))	

REPORT AND ORDER
(Proceeding Terminated)

Adopted: February 1, 2002

Released: February 7, 2002

By the Chief, Video Services Division:

1. At the request of Mississippi Authority for Educational Television ("MAET"), licensee of noncommercial station WMAB-TV, Mississippi State, Mississippi, the Commission has before it the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, 16 FCC Rcd 18741 (2001), requesting the substitution of DTV channel *10 for station WMAB-TV's assigned DTV channel *38. MAET filed comments restating its intention to apply for DTV *10, if allotted. No other comments were received.

2. We believe the public interest would be served by substituting DTV channel *10 for DTV channel *38 since it will enable station WMAB-TV to reduce its initial construction costs and permit easier transitional modifications to its DTV facility. DTV channel *10 can be allotted to Mississippi State, Mississippi, as proposed, in compliance with the principle community coverage requirements of Section 73.625(a) at coordinates (33-21-14 N. and 89-09-00 W.). In addition, we find that this channel is acceptable under the 2 percent criterion for *de minimis* impact that is applied in evaluating requests for modification of initial DTV allotments under Section 73.623(c)(2) for Station WMAB-TV with the following specifications:

<u>State & City</u>	<u>DTV Channel</u>	<u>DTV power (kW)</u>	<u>Antenna HAAT (m)</u>	<u>DTV Service Pop. (thous.)</u>
MS Mississippi State	*10	4.3	349	330

3. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 4(i), 5(c)(1), 303(g) and (r) and 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 0.61, 0.204(b) and 0.283 of the Commission's Rules, IT IS ORDERED, That effective March 25, 2002, the DTV Table of Allotments, Section 73.622(b) of the Commission's Rules, IS AMENDED, with respect to the community listed below, to read as follows:

<u>City</u>	<u>Channel No.</u>
Mississippi State, Mississippi	*10

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That within 45 days of the effective date of this *Order*, Mississippi Authority for Educational Television shall submit to the Commission a minor change application for a construction permit (FCC Form 340) specifying DTV Channel *10 in lieu of DTV Channel *38 for station WMAB-TV.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this proceeding IS TERMINATED.

6. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Pam Blumenthal, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-1600.

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