

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. 01-335
Table of Allotments,)	RM-10338
Digital Television Broadcast Stations.)	
(Charleston, South Carolina))	

REPORT AND ORDER
(Proceeding Terminated)

Adopted: March 1, 2002

Released: March 6, 2002

By the Chief, Video Services Division:

1. At the request of Media General Communications, Inc. ("Media General"), licensee of station WCBD-TV, NTSC channel 2, Charleston, South Carolina, the Commission has before it the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, 16 FCC Rcd 21918 (2001), proposing the substitution of DTV channel 50 for station WCBD-TV's assigned DTV channel 59. Media General filed comments affirming its continuing interest to construct and operate WCBD-DT on channel 50. No others comments were received.

2. We believe the public interest would be served by substituting DTV channel 50 for DTV channel 59 since it would enable station WCBD-TV to operate on a "core" channel, thereby eliminating the need to purchase an entire second DTV transmission system at the end of the transition period. DTV channel 50 can be allotted to Charleston, South Carolina, as proposed, in compliance with the principle community coverage requirements of Section 73.625(a) at coordinates 32-56-24 N. and 79-41-45 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 WCBD-DT 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>
SC Charleston	50	1000	561	846

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 April 22, 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>
Charleston, South Carolina	35, 40, *49, 50, 52, 53, ¹

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That within 45 days of the effective date of this *Order*, Media General Communications, Inc. shall submit to the Commission a minor change application for a construction permit (FCC Form 301) specifying DTV Channel 50 in lieu of DTV Channel 59 for station WCBD-DT.

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.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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¹ We note that the Commission has issued two Notices of Proposed Rule Making proposing DTV channels substitutions at Charleston, South Carolina, for stations WCSC-TV and WCIV(TV). See MM Docket No. 01-128, (DA 01-1456), and MM Docket No. 01-222, (DA 01-2088), respectively.