

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

In the Matter of)	
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Amendment of Section 73.202(b),)	
FM Table of Allotments,)	MB Docket No. 02-330
FM Broadcast Stations.)	RM-10588
(Jasper, Arkansas))	
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REPORT AND ORDER

Adopted: January 15, 2003

Released: January 17, 2003

By the Assistant Chief, Audio Division:

1. The Audio Division has before it a *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* (“*Notice*”)¹, which includes the captioned proceeding. The *Notice* set forth two separate proposals to allot FM channels to two separate communities.² JEM Broadcasting Company, Inc., (“*Petitioner*”), requests the allotment of Channel 245A to Jasper, Arkansas, as that community’s first local aural transmission service. *Petitioner* filed no comments in response to the *Notice*. No other comments or expressions of interest were received in response to the *Notice*.

2. As stated in the Appendix to the *Notice*, a showing of continuing interest is required before a channel will be allotted. It is the Commission’s policy to refrain from making a new allotment to a community absent an expression of interest. Therefore, since comments were not received from the *Petitioner* supporting the allotment of Channel 245A to Jasper, Arkansas, or any other party, we will dismiss the *Petition for Rule Making*.

3. IT IS ORDERED, That the *Petition for Rulemaking* filed by JEM Broadcasting Company, Inc. IS DISMISSED.

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

¹ See *Jasper, Arkansas and Milford, Utah*, 17 FCC Rcd 21161 (MB 2002).

² The proposals set forth in the multiple *Notice* were not mutually exclusive with each other. A separate *Report and Order* will be issued for the Milford, Utah proceeding (MB Docket No. 02-331).

5. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Rolanda F. Smith, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

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