

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

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| In the Matter of |) | |
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| Amendment of Section 73.202(b) |) | MB Docket No. 03-79 |
| Table of Allotments, |) | RM-10673 |
| FM Broadcast Stations. |) | |
| (Ridgecrest, California) |) | |

**REPORT AND ORDER
(Proceeding Terminated)**

Adopted: July 1, 2003

Released: July 3, 2003

By the Assistant Chief, Audio Division:

1. The Audio Division considers herein the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* (“*Notice*”)¹, issued at the request of Dana J. Puopolo (“*Petitioner*”), proposing the allotment of Channel 252A to Ridgecrest, California, as that community’s third FM commercial service. *Petitioner* filed comments reiterating an intention to apply for Channel 252A if allotted to Ridgecrest, as requested. Comments were received from Charles Crawford supporting the allotment at Ridgecrest. No counterproposals or additional comments were received in response to this proceeding.

2. In view of the interest expressed in providing a third FM commercial service to Ridgecrest, we will allot Channel 252A to that community, as requested. As stated in the *Notice*, Channel 252A can be allotted to Ridgecrest, in compliance with the Commission’s minimum distance separation requirements, provided there is a site restriction of 12.5 kilometers (7.7 miles) west of the community.²

3. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority found 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 **August 18, 2003**, the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202(b) of the Commission’s Rules, IS AMENDED, with respect to the community listed below, to read as follows:

| <u>Community</u> | <u>Channel No.</u> |
|------------------------|--------------------|
| Ridgecrest, California | 224A, 252A, 285B1 |

4. The window period for filing applications for Channel 252A at Ridgecrest will not be opened at this time. Instead, the issue of opening this allotment for auction will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.

¹ See *Ridgecrest, CA*, 18 FCC Rcd 5037 (MB 2003).

² The reference coordinates for Channel 252A at Ridgecrest are 35-39-19 NL and 117-48-06 WL.

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

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

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