

**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), |) | |
| FM Table of Allotments |) | |
| (Tallapoosa, Georgia), and |) | RM-10651 |
| Reclassification of License of |) | |
| Station WDEF-FM |) | |
| (Chattanooga, Tennessee) |) | |

**ORDER
(Proceeding Terminated)**

Adopted: July 23, 2003

Released: July 24, 2003

By the Assistant Chief, Audio Division:

1. The Audio Division has before it an *Order to Show Cause*,¹ issued at the request of SSR Communications Incorporated (“SSR”), directing Jackson Telecasters, Inc., to show cause why its authorization for FM station WDEF (File No. BMLH-19820813AH) should not be modified to specify operation on Channel 222C0 in lieu of Channel 222C at Chattanooga, Tennessee. SSR requested this downgrade in a petition for rule making to allot Channel 223A to Tallapoosa, Georgia. On June 2, 2003, SSR filed a withdrawal of its expression of interest in that proposal.

2. A showing of continuing interest is required before a channel will be allotted. It is the Commission’s policy to refrain from making an allotment to a community absent an expression of interest. Moreover, reclassification from Class C to Class C0 is undertaken “only where a specific, *bona fide* demand for the spectrum is expressed.”² For these reasons, we will grant Petitioner’s request to dismiss its proposal to allocate Channel 223A at Tallapoosa, Georgia, and, correspondingly, we shall dismiss the *Order to Show Cause* pertaining to FM Station WDEF at Chattanooga, Tennessee.³

3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That the petition for rule making filed by SSR Communications Incorporated, requesting the allotment of Channel 223A at Tallapoosa, Georgia, IS DISMISSED; and

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That the *Order to Show Cause* in RM-10651, proposing the reclassification of the license of FM Station WDEF from Channel 222C to 222C0, IS DISMISSED; and

¹ *Reclassification of License of Station WDEF-FM, Chattanooga, Tennessee*, 18 FCC Rcd 2,393 (M.Bur. 2003).

² *1998 Biennial Regulatory Review—Streamlining of Radio Technical Rules in Parts 73 and 74 of the Commission’s Rules*, 15 FCC Rcd 21,649, 21,662 (2000).

³ Cited *supra* at n. 1.

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

6. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Deborah A. Dupont, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

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