

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

In the Matter of	)	
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Amendment of Section 73.202(b)	)	MB Docket No. 06-72
Table of Allotments,	)	RM-11245
FM Broadcast Stations.	)	RM-11340
(Arlington and Boardman, Oregon; Boise,	)	
Caldwell, Grangeville, Hazelton, Iona, Jerome,	)	
McCall, Melba, Salmon, and Sun Valley, Idaho;	)	
Elko and Owyhee, Nevada; Finley, Pasco, and	)	
Walla Walla, Washington; and West	)	
Yellowstone, Montana	)	

**ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE**

**Adopted: October 11, 2006**

**Released: October 13, 2006**

By the Assistant Chief, Audio Division, Media Bureau:

1. The Audio Division has before it a Counterproposal filed by College Creek Broadcasting, Inc. (“College Creek”), the permittee of Station KPHD(FM), Elko, Nevada, and Station KTPD(FM), Hazelton, Idaho, in response to the *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* (“*Notice*”) in this proceeding.<sup>1</sup> The original Counterproposal included sixteen interrelated proposals, one of which was to change the channel of KGSG(FM), Pasco, Washington, from Channel 229A to Channel 230A, and change the station’s community of license to Finley, Washington. That proposal conflicted with the *Notice*’s proposal to allot Channel 231C3 to Boardman, Oregon. In its Reply Comments, College Creek amended its Counterproposal to remove the mutual exclusivity between the Boardman, Oregon, proposal and its original Counterproposal by substituting Channel 276C3 (instead of Channel 224C3) for vacant channel 275C3 at McCall, Idaho. This latter revised channel change eliminates the need to change the current channel of Station KGSG(FM) and change that station’s community of license to Finley, Washington, as well as eliminating the need for three related proposals in the Counterproposal.

2. The amended Counterproposal proposes to allot Channel 248C3 to Owyhee, Nevada as that community’s first local aural transmission service. In order to allot Channel 247C3 to Owyhee, Nevada, the Counterproposal proposes that Station KPHD(FM), Elko, Nevada, change its channel from Channel 248C to 249C and its community of license to Melba, Idaho, thus providing Melba with its first local aural transmission service. To accommodate the allotment of Channel 249C to Melba, Idaho, Station KQFC(FM) (“KQFC”), Boise, Idaho, must change its channel from Channel 250C to 274C.

3. In order to proceed with our analysis of the Counterproposal and the ultimate resolution of this proceeding, it is first necessary to issue this *Order to Show Cause* directed to Citadel Broadcasting Company (“Citadel Broadcasting”) to show cause why its Station KQFC license should not be modified to specify operation on Channel 274C in lieu of Channel 250C at Boise, Idaho. Section 316(a) of the

<sup>1</sup> *Boardman, Oregon*, 20 FCC Rcd 13003 (MB 2006).

Communications Act of 1934, as amended, permits us to modify a license or construction permit if such action is in the public interest. Section 316(a) requires that we notify the affected stations of the proposed action, the public interest reasons for the action, and afford at least 30 days to respond. This procedure is now set forth in Section 1.87 of the Commission's Rules.<sup>2</sup> In this instance, the substitution of Channel 274C for Channel 250C at Station KQFC at Boise, Idaho, will accommodate the substitution of Channel 249C for Channel 248C at Station KPHD(FM) at Elko, Nevada, and Station KPHD(FM)'s change in community from Elko, Nevada, to Melba, Idaho, which will provide Melba with its first local service. The foregoing changes in Station's KPHD(FM)'s license will, in turn, enable the allotment of Channel 247C3 to Owyhee, Nevada, as Owyhee's first local aural transmission service. We consider this provision of a first local service to Owyhee, Nevada and to Melba, Idaho to have sufficient public interest benefits to justify the issuance of a show cause order.

4. The Station KQFC license at Boise, Idaho, can be modified to specify operation on Channel 274C at its currently authorized transmitter site.<sup>3</sup> College Creek has agreed to reimburse Citadel Broadcasting for the reasonable costs incurred in connection with the change of the Station KQFC channel.

5. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, That pursuant to Section 316(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, Citadel Broadcasting Company, licensee of Station KQFC(FM), Boise, Idaho, SHALL SHOW CAUSE why its license should not be modified to specify operation on Channel 274C in lieu of Channel 250C.

6. Pursuant to Section 1.87 of the Commission's Rules, Citadel Broadcasting Company, may, no later than November 27, 2006 file a written statement showing with particularity why its license should not be modified as proposed in this *Order to Show Cause*. The Commission may call upon the licensee to furnish additional information. If the licensee raises any substantial and material questions of fact, a hearing may be required to resolve such questions of fact pursuant to Section 1.87 of the Rules. Upon review of the statements and/or additional information furnished, the Commission may grant the modification, deny the modification, or set the matter of modification for hearing. If no written statement is filed by the date referred to above, the licensee will be deemed to have consented to a modification as proposed in this *Order to Show Cause* and a final Order will be issued if the modification is found to be in the public interest.

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<sup>2</sup> See *Modification of FM and Television Licenses Pursuant to Section 316 of the Communications Act*, Order, 2 FCC Rcd 3327 (1987).

<sup>3</sup> The reference coordinates for Channel 274C at Boise, Idaho, are 43-45-21 NL and 116-05-54 WL.

7. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that a copy of this *Order to Show Cause* shall be sent BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED, to the following:

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8. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact R. Barthen Gorman, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

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