

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

In the Matter of)
)
VANTAGE GEOPHYSICAL CORPORATION)
)
Licensee of Private Land Mobile Radio Station)
WRBZ878)

ORDER PROPOSING MODIFICATION

Adopted: May 13, 2019

Released: May 13, 2019

By the Deputy Chief, Mobility Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau:

1. *Introduction.* By this *Order Proposing Modification*, we initiate a proceeding to modify the license of Vantage Geophysical Corporation (Vantage) for conventional Industrial/Business Pool Station WRBZ878 to change the station’s frequencies as detailed below. We take this action in furtherance of ensuring compliance with Commission rules.

2. *Background.* Certain frequencies in the Industrial/Business Pool are designated for itinerant operation,¹ which is defined as “[o]peration of a radio station at unspecified locations for varying periods of time.”² Itinerant operations do not provide or receive interference protection with respect to other itinerant operations on these frequencies.³ An application for itinerant operation need not be accompanied by evidence of frequency coordination, but must request only itinerant frequencies.⁴

3. Vantage’s license for Station WRBZ878 authorizes itinerant operations throughout the continental United States, but the authorized frequencies (451.125 MHz, 451.675 MHz, 452.675 MHz, 456.175 MHz, 456.725 MHz, 462.125 MHz, and 463.725 MHz) are not designated for itinerant use and the underlying application did not undergo frequency coordination.⁵ Thus, it appears that the application was granted in error.

4. *Discussion.* We believe that section 316(a)(1) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, provides the appropriate vehicle to correct this error.⁶ Section 316(a)(1) permits the Commission to modify a station license if the action will promote public interest, convenience, and necessity.⁷ In this connection, we note that modifying the license for Station WRBZ878 will serve the

¹ See 47 CFR § 90.35(c)(17), (58).

² See 47 CFR § 90.7.

³ See 47 CFR § 90.138.

⁴ *Id.*

⁵ FCC File No. 0008272572 (filed July 3, 2018).

⁶ 47 U.S.C. § 316(a)(1).

⁷ *Id.*

public interest because operation at unspecified locations around the country for varying periods of time on frequencies designated for permanent use is likely to cause interference to other licensed stations.⁸

5. Consequently, we propose to modify Vantage's license for Station WRBZ878 by replacing frequencies 451.125 MHz, 451.675 MHz, 452.675 MHz, 456.175 MHz, 456.725 MHz, 462.125 MHz, and 463.725 MHz with the following itinerant frequencies: 451.800 MHz, 451.8125 MHz, 456.800 MHz, 456.8125 MHz, 464.500 MHz, 464.550 MHz, and 469.500 MHz. In accordance with section 1.87(a) of the Commission's rules,⁹ we will not issue a modification order until Vantage has received notice of our proposed action and has had an opportunity to file a protest. To protest the modification, Vantage must, within thirty days of the release date of this *Order Proposing Modification*, submit a written statement with sufficient evidence to show that the modification would not be in the public interest. The protest must be mailed to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554, Attn: Paul Moon.¹⁰ If no protest is filed, Vantage will have waived its right to protest the modification and will be deemed to have consented to the modification.

6. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS PROPOSED, pursuant to sections 4(i) and 316(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 316, and section 1.87 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.87, that the license for Private Land Mobile Radio Service Station WRBZ878 held by Vantage Geophysical Corporation, BE MODIFIED by replacing frequencies 451.125 MHz, 451.675 MHz, 452.675 MHz, 456.175 MHz, 456.725 MHz, 462.125 MHz, and 463.725 MHz with frequencies 451.800 MHz, 451.8125 MHz, 456.800 MHz, 456.8125 MHz, 464.500 MHz, 464.550 MHz, and 469.500 MHz.

7. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this *Order Proposing Modification* SHALL BE SENT by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Vantage Geophysical Corporation, P.O. Box 421116, 10727 Inwood Drive, Houston, Texas 77042, Attn: Robert Beal.

8. This action is taken under delegated authority pursuant to sections 0.131 and 0.331 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR §§ 0.131, 0.331.

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⁸ See, e.g., *Amendment of Part 11 Rules Governing the Industrial Radio Services, to Delete, Modify and Create Services, and to Effect Changes in the Availability of Frequencies*, First Report and Order, 42 F.C.C. 820, 839, para. 45 (1958) ("In providing exclusive frequencies for both 'permanent' and 'itinerant' types of stations, it is the Commission's purpose to make possible for a station of either type an operation free of co-channel interference from stations of the opposite type.").

⁹ 47 CFR § 1.87(a).

¹⁰ This address should be used only for documents filed by United States Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail. Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered documents for the Commission's Secretary are accepted only at 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701.