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**Media Bureau announces EFFECTIVE DATE OF NEW FMBROADCAST DIRECTIONAL ANTENNA VERIFICATION RULES**

**Effective Date of Amended Sections 73.316 and 73.1690 is November 10, 2022**

**MB Docket No. 21-422**

On May 19, 2022, the Commission released the *FM Broadcast Directional Antenna Performance Verification Order,*[[1]](#footnote-2)in which the Commission revised its broadcast radio procedures and rules, including sections 73.316 and 73.1690 of the rules,[[2]](#footnote-3) to allow for FM and LPFM directional antenna pattern verification by computer modeling performed by the directional antenna’s manufacturer.

 By this *Public Notice*, the Media Bureau announces that the notice of the effective date for sections 73.316 and 73.1690, as amended in the *FM Broadcast Directional Antenna Performance Verification Order*, was published in the *Federal Register* on November 10, 2022,[[3]](#footnote-4) and became effective on that date.

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1. *Updating FM Broadcast Radio Service Directional Antenna Performance Verification*. Report and Order, MB Docket No. 21-422, FCC 22-38 (rel. May 19, 2022) (*FM Broadcast Directional Antenna Performance Verification Order*). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. 47 CFR §§ 73.316, 73.1690. An amendment to 47 CFR § 73.1620 became effective 30 days after publication in the *Federal Register* of the summary of the *FM Broadcast Directional Antenna Performance Verification Order*. *See FM Broadcast Directional Antenna Performance Verification Order* at 9, 12, para. 19 and Appendix B para. 3; 87 Fed. Reg. 35426 (June 10, 2022). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. 87 Fed. Reg. 67827 (Nov. 10, 2022). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)