

August 11, 1943

SUPPLEMENTAL STATEMENT OF POLICY CONCERNING APPLICATIONS
FOR PERMITS TO CONSTRUCT OR CHANGE LOCAL CHANNEL STANDARD
BROADCAST STATIONS.

Upon consideration of a report and recommendation of its Committee on Critical Radio Materials, the Commission, on August 10, 1943, determined that under certain stated conditions it would be in the public interest to grant applications for permits involving the use of idle equipment to increase power of 100-watt local channel standard broadcast stations to 250 watts and for construction of new 100-watt or 250-watt local channel stations.

Applications for permits to construct new 100-watt and 250-watt local channel standard broadcast stations in cities or towns where no station is located at present and not located in metropolitan districts already served by radio stations, and applications to increase power of local channel stations to 250 watts may be granted upon a satisfactory showing that:

1. All required materials, except vacuum tubes, may be obtained without priority assistance. 1/
2. Such applications involve no inconsistencies with the Commission's Rules and Regulations.
3. Such applications tend toward a fair, efficient and equitable distribution of radio service, are consistent with sound allocation principles, offer substantial improvement in standard broadcast service, and
4. Such applications are otherwise in the public interest.

Applications for local channel stations or changes in such stations which have been dismissed without prejudice pursuant to the policy announced April 27, 1942, may be reinstated for consideration in the light of the new circumstances upon submission of a petition within thirty days of this date showing (1) that such application is in conformity with the foregoing enumerated conditions; and (2) any and all changes with respect to facts and circumstances as represented in the original application.

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1/ The Commission is informed by the War Production Board that building construction requires a clearance which may be obtained only when that agency is satisfied that a direct contribution toward winning the war is clearly indicated.