

BEFORE THE
Federal Communications Commission
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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.202(b)
FM Table of Allotments
FM Broadcast Stations
(Houghton, Michigan)

MM Docket No. 92-180
RM-8048

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To: Chief, Allocations Branch
Policy and Rules Division
Mass Media Bureau

COMMENTS

Now comes Houghton Radio Group of North Carolina, Inc., licensee of Radio Station WAAH(FM), Houghton, Michigan, by its President, and hereby files these comments in support of its pending Rulemaking Petition to substitute FM Channel 272C2 for the presently assigned FM Channel 272A at Houghton, Michigan, and that the Commission amend the present license of Radio Station WAAH(FM) to specify operation on the upgraded channel.

In accordance with the *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, Houghton Radio Group of North America, Inc., reaffirms its interest in the assignment of the upgraded channel, and incorporates its prior filings in this proceeding by appropriate reference. Should the Commission assign the requested channel to Houghton, Michigan, the petitioner will promptly submit an Application for FM Construction Permit, FCC Form

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301, and, upon receipt of the authorization, will promptly construct the newly assigned facility.

In addition to the expression of continuing of interest and the commitment to promptly construct the newly assigned facility, Houghton Radio Group of North America, Inc., is hereby submitting an affidavit executed by its President, certifying that all statements in this filing, as well as all prior filing in this proceeding, are true and correct to the best of the affiants knowledge and belief, as is required by Section 1.52 of the Commission's Rules, and as was requested by the Commission in its *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* issued in this proceeding.

As was noted in the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in this proceeding, the assignment of the upgraded channel to Radio Station WAAH(FM) will provide the community of Houghton, Michigan with an expanded coverage area facility, and the proposed assignment fully comports with the Commission's goal of encouraging existing licensee's to seek to improve their facilities to maximum extent possible, so that those licensee's may continue to provide their communities with the maximum possible public service. As was demonstrated in the Petition For Rulemaking, and reaffirmed in the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in this proceeding, the proposed assignment of FM Channel 272C2 can be made to the community of Houghton, Michigan in full compliance with all of the Commission's Rules, including the mileage separation and city grade coverage requirements at the site specified in the Petition For Rulemaking.

WHEREFORE, Houghton Radio Group of North Carolina, Inc., requests that the Commission amend the FM Table of Allotments to delete the presently assigned FM Channel 272A at Houghton, Michigan and to assign FM Channel 272C2 to that community, and that the operating authority of Radio Station WAAH(FM) be amended to specify operation on the newly assigned channel.

**Respectfully Submitted,
Houghton Radio Group of North Carolina, Inc.**

by: 
**George R. Parrish
Its President**

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October 15, 1992

CERTIFICATION

I, **George R. Parrish**, President of Houghton Radio Group of North Carolina, Inc., after being duly sworn upon oath, hereby deposes and states that the representations contained in these Comments, as well as the representations contained in all prior filings in this proceeding are true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

George R. Parrish



County of Wake }
State of North Carolina } ss

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 15th day of October, 1992.



Notary Public

My Commission expires 6/30/96.