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Before the  
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of )  
Replacement of Part 90 by Part 88 to )  
Revise the Private Land Mobile Radio )  
Services and Modify the Policies )  
Governing Them )

PR Docket No. 92-235 ✓

ORDER EXTENDING COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT PERIODS

Adopted: February 8, 1993 Released: February 9, 1993

Comment Date: May 28, 1993  
Reply Comment Date: July 14, 1993

By the Chief, Private Radio Bureau

1. On November 6, 1992, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rule Making, 7 FCC Rcd 8105 (1992), (Notice), in this proceeding. The specified deadlines for comments and reply comments were February 26, 1993 and April 14, 1993, respectively. On January 20, 1993, the Public Safety Communications Council (PSCC) filed a letter requesting that we extend the date for filing Comments and Reply Comments in this proceeding to August 25, 1993, and October 14, 1993, respectively. On February 3, 1993, the Land Mobile Communications Council (LMCC) filed a petition requesting that we extend the date for filing Comments to May 28, 1993. On February 4, 1993, PowerSpectrum, Inc. (PSI) filed a petition requesting that we extend the date for filing Comments and Reply Comments to May 26, 1993, and July 26, 1993, respectively.

2. PSCC based its request on the size of the Notice and on the need for additional time to conduct equipment tests and to review the U.S. Government planned migration to narrowband equipment. LMCC, an organization whose membership includes 20 trade associations, plans to develop an industry consensus position and to file it as comments by April 28, 1993. They would like the extension to give the public time to comment on this industry consensus. PSI requests the extra time to study the impact of the proposed channeling plans on the potential use of its frequency hopping multiple access technology (FHMA).

3. The proposals set forth in the Notice represent the most comprehensive review of the rules governing the private land mobile radio allocations below 512 MHz since their inception. The blueprint on how to increase channel capacity, to promote more efficient use of these channels, and to simplify the rules governing their use is complex and deserves the fullest cooperation between users of this spectrum and the government to assure that the rules ultimately adopted will constructively serve the public interest. To assist in this process we have scheduled a conference for March 1, 1993 to discuss publicly the issues raised in the Notice. In order to

allow commenters the benefit of information gained in this meeting, and for the reasons set forth by the petitioners, we have concluded that additional time to prepare comments should be granted. We also believe, however, that the public interest requires us to reach a timely decision on the issues raised in the Notice and, thus, conclude that a long extension would disserve the land mobile radio community.

4. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, based on the authority granted in Section 0.331 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, 47 C.F.R. § 0.331, that the petition of LMCC IS GRANTED, that the petitions of PSSC and PSI are granted to the extent indicated herein and otherwise denied, and, that the deadline for filing comments in the subject Notice of Proposed Rule Making is extended to **May 28, 1993**, and the deadline for filing reply comments is extended to **July 14, 1993**.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION



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