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Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

Re:

In the Matter of Amendment of Section 73.202(b) Table of Allotments FM Broadcast Stations Mendota Broadcasting Company Mendota, California MM Docket No.:

Dear Mr. Caton:

Transmitted herewith on behalf of Mendota Broadcasting Company are an original and four (4) copies of a "Petition for Rulemaking" as directed to the Allocations Branch.

Should any additional information be required, please contact this office.

Very truly yours,



Henry E. Crawford
Counsel for
Mendota Broadcasting Company

cc: The Allocations Branch

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BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. Federal Communications Commission
Office of Secretary

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Amendment of Section 73.202(b)) RM No. _____
Table of Allotments)
FM Broadcast Stations)
Mendota, California)

To: The Allocations Branch
Policy and Rules Division
Mass Media Bureau

PETITION FOR RULEMAKING

Mendota Broadcasting Company ("Mendota Broadcasting"), by counsel, hereby petitions the Federal Communications Commission for the initiation of a rulemaking proceeding to amend the FM Table of Allotments, Section 73.202 of the Commission's Rules, to assign FM Channel 263A to the community of Mendota, California, as follows:

City	Present	Proposed
Mendota, California	None	263A

1. As indicated in the attached Engineering Statement (attached hereto as Exhibit 1), Channel 263A can be assigned to Mendota in complete compliance with the Commission's distance separation requirements as contained in 47 CFR §73.207. The reference coordinates: 36-38-25 N 120-19-29 W will show the 70dbu (city grade contour) entirely encompassing the city of Mendota, California. Moreover, there is a wide area available for placing an appropriate transmitter.

2. Mendota is a city located in Fresno County, California. According to the 1990 Census, Mendota has a population of 6,821 persons. Mendota is located in the San Joaquin Valley, California. At present, the community is not receiving community service from any aural service. Therefore, the public interest will be served by the assignment of Channel 263A to Mendota, California.

3. If the Commission assigns Channel 263A to Mendota, California, Mendota Broadcasting will apply for a construction permit and will construct a new facility upon award of that permit.

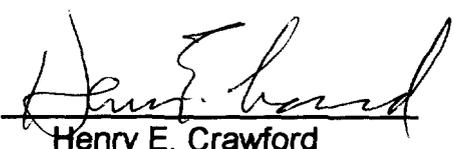
WHEREFORE, in accordance with the above, Mendota Broadcasting Company respectfully requests that Channel 263A be assigned to Mendota, California.

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Respectfully Submitted,

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EXHIBIT 1

Mendota CA

REFERENCE

36 38 25 N

120 19 29 W

CLASS = A

Current Spacings

DISPLAY DATES

DATA 12-06-96

SEARCH 12-07-96

----- Channel 263 - 100.5 MHz -----

Call	Channel	Location	Dist	Azi	FCC	Margin
KVSR	LI 266B	Fresno	CA 69.00	61.9	69.0	0.00
AP263	AP 263A	Templeton	CA 116.42	198.6	115.0	1.42
AP263	AP 263A	Templeton	CA 116.44	198.7	115.0	1.44
AP263	AP 263A	Templeton	CA 116.44	198.7	115.0	1.44
AP263	AP 263A	Templeton	CA 116.44	198.7	115.0	1.44
AP263	AP 263A	Templeton	CA 116.44	198.7	115.0	1.44
KTOMFM	LI 264B	Salinas	CA 116.56	264.6	113.0	3.56
KNGS.C	CPM 261B	Coalinga	CA 73.36	162.1	69.0	4.36
KOJJ.C	CPM 263B1	Porterville	CA 150.46	120.5	143.0	7.46
ALOPEN	AL 263A	Templeton	CA 122.78	196.5	115.0	7.78
KOJJ	LI 263A	Porterville	CA 135.92	117.0	115.0	20.92
KMAK	LI 262A	Orange Cove	CA 93.85	82.5	72.0	21.85
KBAY	LI 262B	San Jose	CA 145.08	291.6	113.0	32.08
KBAY	LI 262B	San Jose	CA 145.08	291.6	113.0	32.08
KCIV	LI 260B	Mount Bullion	CA 102.64	14.9	69.0	33.64
KQPT	LI 263B	Sacramento	CA 232.18	343.4	178.0	54.18
KEFR	LI 210B	Le Grand	CA 102.53	14.6	15.0	87.53
KLVM	LI 209A	Prunedale	CA 105.93	277.4	10.0	95.93
KIBS	LI 264B	Bishop	CA 209.12	64.9	113.0	96.12
KARM	LI 209B1	Visalia	CA 123.64	90.2	12.0	111.64
KMIX.C	CPM 265A	Tracy	CA 145.18	319.3	31.0	114.18
KRQK	LI 262B1	Lompoc	CA 210.94	183.0	96.0	114.94
KMIX	LI 265A	Tracy	CA 156.46	324.4	31.0	125.46

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Henry E. Crawford, do hereby certify that copies of the foregoing
Petition for Rulemaking have been served by United States mail, postage
prepaid this 16th day of December, 1996 upon the following:

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