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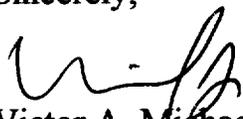
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Dear Ms. Salas,

Enclosed is an original and four copies of a Petition for Rule Making to amend the FM table of allotments for a new FM broadcast station for Manson, Iowa.

Sincerely,



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In the matter of: )  
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Amendment of Section 73.202 (b) )  
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Table of Allotments )  
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FM Broadcast Stations )  
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(Manson, Iowa)

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**PETITION FOR RULE MAKING**

In this petition, Mountain West Broadcasting is hereby requesting to allot channel 259A (99.7 Mhz) to Manson, Iowa as its first local FM allotment.

**INTRODUCTION**

1. This statement is a petition for rule making to allot FM channel 259A (99.7 Mhz) to Manson and add it to the Commission's FM table of allotments, 73.202. The following will show the need for an FM channel and the effects the allotment of Channel 259A to Manson will have.

**DISCUSSION**

2. Manson is located in northwest Iowa. It is also located within Calhoun County, a county of some 11,508 persons. Manson has a population of 1,844 persons in accordance with the U.S. 1990 census.

3. The allotment of channel 259A to Manson will provide the first local broadcast facility to the community and/or the surrounding area. The closest FM allotment to Manson is located at Twin Lakes, Iowa. Twin Lakes is located 12 kilometers from Manson.

It is obvious that from the above spacing that Manson is presently without local FM service.

4. Manson would greatly benefit from an FM allotment due to the fact there is no AM or FM broadcast facilities within 12 Kilometers of Manson. Because of this, it would have an outlet for local self expression. Health and safety for the community would be increased due to having a local communications outlet for warning the Manson area of emergency conditions caused by severe weather or other health hazards.

5. Channel 259A can be allotted to Manson and meet all rules and requirements of the Commission. The instant proposal will not cause a change in the channel number or a deletion of any channel now appearing in the Commission's table of allotments 73.202.

	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Manson, Iowa	-----	259A

6. In accordance with 73.207 of the Commission's rules, "Minimum Distance Separations between Stations", all allotments on Channel 259A and the pertinent adjacent channels to 259A have been studied with the results listed in Figure 1 of this petition. The geographic coordinates used for the spacing

Study ( N 42 - 31' - 48", W. 94 - 32' - 00") are that of a site located within the community of Manson. No site restriction will be required to allot channel 259A to Manson. Many suitable transmitter sites are available to provide city grade coverage (3.16 mv/m or 70 dbu) to the entire community of Manson. These sites would also provide full minimum spacing requirements to other allotments.

### CONCLUSION

7. It has been shown that Manson would benefit from the allotment of channel 259A. It has also been shown that channel 259A can be allotted to Manson and meet all rules regarding spacing from other stations. Considering these two facts, Mountain West Broadcasting hereby requests that the Federal Communications Commission institute a Rule Making proceeding to amend the Table of Allotments to include channel 259A for Manson, Iowa , 73.202.

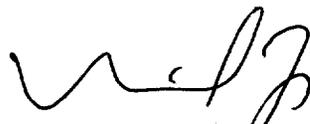
8. Should channel 259A be allotted to Manson, I certify that I will file an application for a Construction Permit to operate an FM station for Manson, Iowa.

## CERTIFICATION

9. I certify that I have prepared or directly supervised the preparation of this entire Petition for Rule Making, and that the facts contained within are true to the best of my knowledge, information and belief, accurate and true.

Dated: February 10, 1999

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 259A6 (99.7 MHz), at N. 42 31 48, W. 94 32 0.

Searching Channel 259A6 (99.7 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
NEW	Fort Dodge	IA	205	C3	A	27.3	12.0	99.2°	15.3
K206BF	Fort Dodge	IA	206	D	L	27.3	0.0	99.2°	27.3
ALC	Boone	IA	257	A	U	74.8	31.0	135.6°	43.8
KFGQFM	Boone	IA	257	A	L	74.8	31.0	135.6°	43.8
ALC	Britt	IA	258	A	V	82.4	72.0	39.6°	10.4
ALC	Eldora	IA	258	A	U	124.4	72.0	103.8°	52.4
ALC	Le Mars	IA	258	C1	U	141.9	133.0	267.9°	8.9
KDAOFM	Eldora	IA	258	A	L	124.4	72.0	103.8°	52.4
KKMA	Le Mars	IA	258	C1	L	141.9	133.0	267.9°	8.9
KZZQ	Winterset	IA	258	A	L	135.5	72.0	157.8°	63.5
NEW	Britt	IA	258	A	A	80.9	72.0	38.3°	8.9
ALC	Marshall	MN	259	C1	U	247.7	200.0	331.5°	47.7
KKCK	Marshall	MN	259	C1	L	242.5	200.0	323.4°	42.5
ALC	Austin	MN	260	C1	U	165.9	133.0	42.6°	32.9
KAUSFM	Austin	MN	260	C1	L	165.9	133.0	42.6°	32.9
ALC	Omaha	NE	260	C	U	183.9	165.0	222.4°	18.9
KGOR	Omaha	NE	260	C	L	183.9	165.0	222.4°	18.9
ALC	Emmetsburg	IA	261	A	U	64.0	31.0	338.8°	33.0
KEMB	Emmetsburg	IA	261	A	L	71.1	31.0	338.1°	40.1
ALC	Des Moines	IA	262	C	U	110.3	95.0	136.5°	15.3
KMXD	Des Moines	IA	262	C	L	110.3	95.0	136.5°	15.3

FIGURE 1  
MOUNTAIN WEST BROADCASTING  
MANSON, IOWA