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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

In the Matter of)
)
Amendment of Section 73.202(b),)
Table of Allotments,)
FM Broadcast Stations.)
)
(Darby or Stevensville, Montana))

MM Docket No. 99-220
RM-9601
RM-9636

Directed to: Chief, Allocations Branch

COMMENTS ON PROPOSED RULE MAKING

These comments are filed in support of the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 99-220, RM-9601 and RM-9636, by Mountain West Broadcasting ("MWB"), the petitioner in this matter. The facts and comments submitted in the original petition are hereby re-submitted by reference.

The commission is considering the allotment of channel 300A to Darby, Montana or to allot channel 300C2 to Stevensville, Montana. MWB hereby supports its original allotment of channel 300A to Darby, Montana as its first local FM commercial service. The allotment of channel 300C2 to Stevensville would be its second FM allotment. A first service allotment to Darby should be the preferred allotment.

Mutual exclusivity is also not necessary in the case as Channel 250C2 could be allotted to Stevensville with a site restriction of 25.1 kilometers southwest of Stevensville (see figure 1 attached). This alternate channel could be allotted to Stevensville, if the Commission determines that Stevensville is deserving a second service.

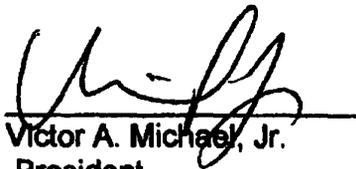
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The petitioner would also like to re-submit its intent that it will file an application for Construction Permit to operate a new station for Darby, Montana, during any window filing period or its intent to participate in auction process the Commission may conduct for this channel. Mountain West Broadcasting would also expeditiously construct the station should his application be granted.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the proposed change to the FM Table of Allotments be adopted, and the Commission allot Channel 300A at Darby, Montana.

Respectfully submitted,



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MAPFM search of channel 250C2 (97.9 MHz), at N. 46 25 20, W. 114 24 0.

Searching Channel 250C2 (97.9 MHz):

CALL	CITY	ST	CHN	CL	S	DIST	SEPN	BRNG	CLEARANCE
KQWK	Lolo	MT	248	C3	A	56.1	56.0	23.4°	0.1
ALC	Anaconda	MT	249	C3	V	117.3	117.0	107.7°	0.3
KGLMFM	Anaconda	MT	249	A	L	117.3	105.0	107.7°	12.3
ALC	Boise	ID	250	C	U	325.5	249.0	204.3°	76.5
KQFC	Boise	ID	250	C	L	325.5	249.0	204.3°	76.5
KQFC	Boise	ID	250	C	A	325.2	249.0	204.3°	76.2
ALC	Shelby	MT	250	C	U	300.7	249.0	39.6°	51.7
KLHK	Dutton	MT	250	C	A	269.5	249.0	50.5°	20.5
KLHK	Shelby	MT	250	C	D	269.5	249.0	50.5°	20.5
KLHK	Shelby	MT	250	C	C	269.5	249.0	50.5°	20.5
KTHK	Milton-Freewater	OR	250	C1	L	295.5	224.0	256.4°	71.5
ALC	Spokane	WA	251	C	U	255.2	188.0	300.3°	67.2
KISC	Spokane	WA	251	C	L	255.2	188.0	300.3°	67.2

FIGURE 1"
STEVENSVILLE, UTAH