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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
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Re: **MM Docket No. 01-44**  
**RM-10022**  
**Derby, Kansas**

Dear Ms. Salas:

Transmitted herewith are an original and four copies of Pappas Telecasting of America's Motion for Extension" in the above-referenced proceeding.

If there are any questions concerning this matter, please communicate with this office.

Very truly yours,



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cc: Ms. Pamela Blumenthal, FCC (via Hand)

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In the Matter of

Amendment of Section 73.606(b),	)	
Table of Allotments,	)	MM Docket No. 01-44
Television Broadcast Stations.	)	RM-10022
(Derby, Kansas)	)	

Directed to: Chief, Video Services Division

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Comes now Pappas Telecasting of America ("Pappas"), by its attorneys, and respectfully submits its Motion for Extension of time to file its Reply Comments in the above-captioned proceeding. In support thereof, the following is stated:

1. Pappas, the Petitioner who initiated this proceeding, is prepared to file the appropriate application for a construction permit for Channel 59 or such other channel as allocated if the allocation is granted, and to construct the station if its application is granted.

2. After the NPRM in this proceeding was released, the commission issued its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, GN Docket No. 01-74, Released March 28, 2001, FCC 01-91 dealing with issues relating to the relocation of Channels 52-59 (CH.52-59 NPRM). Based on earlier conversations with the Commission's staff, Pappas understood that the Derby rulemaking was exempt from the Ch. 52-59 NPRM's action of suspending the processing of applications for Channel 59. It had only shortly before the filing of the comments in this proceeding learned from inquiries of the Commission's staff that the exemption may not apply to the Derby rulemaking.

3. In Comments filed April 13, 2001, while still advocating that allocation consideration of Channel 59 for Derby as a first commercial television service is in the public interest, Pappas offered an alternative proposal to Channel 59 for Derby, proffering Channel 54 or 58 as viable substitutes.<sup>1</sup> In those Comments, Pappas indicated that the engineering support would be forthcoming.

4. Pappas needs additional time to prepare its engineering support for its alternative proposal.

5. This proceeding is unopposed and grant of the requested extension of time would not prejudice any third party.

WHEREFORE, the premises considered, Pappas requests that the Commission grant its Motion for Extension.

Respectfully Submitted,

PAPPAS TELECASTING OF AMERICA

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<sup>1</sup> The alternative proposals are consistent with the Commission's statements in its Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, GN Docket No. 01-74, released March 28, 2001, regarding Channels 52-59, whereby the Commission directed the Mass Media Bureau to allow limited flexibility in situations involving Channel 59 for the purpose of specifying alternative channels.