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In the Matter of	)	
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Amendment of Section 73.622(b),	)	MM Docket No. 02-273
Table of Allotments,	)	RM-10562
Digital Television Broadcast Stations	)	
(Tuscaloosa, Alabama)	)	

To: Chief, Video Division

COMMENTS

TV Alabama, Inc. ("TV Alabama"), licensee of television station WCFT-TV, NTSC Channel 33, Tuscaloosa, Alabama, by its undersigned attorneys, hereby submits its Comments in support of the above-captioned Notice of Proposed Rulemaking ("NPRM"). As stated in its Petition for Rulemaking,<sup>1</sup> TV Alabama continues to support the channel substitution proposal as set out in the NPRM – namely, the amendment of the Digital Television ("DTV") Table of Allotments, 47 C.F.R. § 73.622(b), such that Channel 5 is substituted for Channel 34 as the DTV channel assigned to WCFT-DT. Under this proposal, the DTV Table of Allotments would be amended as follows:

<u>Community</u>	<u>Present</u>	<u>Proposed</u>
Tuscaloosa, Alabama	34c	5

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<sup>1</sup> The information contained in TV Alabama's Petition for Rulemaking is incorporated herein by reference.

If the above channel substitution proposal is granted, TV Alabama will, as stated in its Petition for Rulemaking, promptly file the appropriate construction permit application to specify operation on DTV Channel 5 in Tuscaloosa, Alabama with facilities consistent with those specified in the Engineering Statement filed with the Petition for Rulemaking. Once authorized, TV Alabama will commence construction of approved facilities for WCFT-DT, subject to its ability to secure the necessary equipment from its vendors, schedule time with a tower crew, and secure any necessary permits from local government authorities. In addition to the present channel change request, once TV Alabama receives its authorization to operate WJSU-DT, Anniston, Alabama, on Channel 9, it will initiate its marketing plan as described in the Petition for Rulemaking to ease the introduction of digital service in the combined markets and facilitate the DTV transition with minimal disruption.

For the foregoing reasons, it is respectfully requested that the proposed change to the DTV Table of Allotments be adopted.

Respectfully submitted,

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