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In the Matter of)
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Amendment of 73.202(b))
FM Table of Allotments)
FM Broadcast Stations)
(Lake Brownwood, Eden, Llano,)
Paint Rock, Goldthwaite &)
Bangs, Texas)

MB Docket No.09-181
RM-11573

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Federal Communications Commission
Office of the Secretary

To: Office of the Secretary
~~Attn: Chief, Audio Division,~~
~~Media Bureau~~

PETITIONER' s COMMENTS

Please accept these comments as restated below from my original petition.

DISCUSSION

Petitioner respectfully submits that the public interest would be served by allocating Channel 294C2 to Lake Brownwood, Texas as that community's first local service. Lake Brownwood is a census-designated place (CDP) in Brown County, Texas. The population was 1,694 at the 2000 census.

The Lake Brownwood Volunteer Fire Department is all volunteer providing firefighting, hazardous material response and search and rescue. Their funding comes from Community donations.

The Lake Brownwood Community Development Council was created in 2002 by local merchants and residents to advance the community and economic development of Lake Brownwood. Bylaws were adopted and officers elected along with a six member Board of Directors. The president is Gary Twiford, Vice President is Don Benedict and the Secretary/ Treasurer is Patta Blake. The Council Business Expo is held each April in the parking lot of the Lake Brownwood First United Methodist Church. Monthly meetings of the Lake Brownwood Community Development Council are held on the first Monday of the month at 6:00 PM, also at the Lake Brownwood First United Methodist Church.

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Lake Brownwood is a community that is certainly deserving of a first FM service. "Local radio stations play an important role in their communities, providing local news, information and entertainment to residents, and generally serving as good corporate citizens in the local community life. This is particularly true in smaller towns where the radio stations are limited in number. Yet there are still rural areas of our country that do not have even a local radio station."¹ The proposed channel 294C2 will provide additional diversity and an outlet for local self-expression to Lake Brownwood residents and therefore is in the public interest.

Should this petition be granted and Channel 294C2 is allotted to Lake Brownwood, Texas, I will apply for and after it is authorized, will promptly construct the new facility. Furthermore, should the Commission authorize Channel 294C2 at Lake Brownwood and eventually proceed to auction, I hereby certify that it is my full intention to apply to participate in that auction.

The factual information provided in these Comments is correct and true to the best of my knowledge.

Respectfully submitted,



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Lake Brownwood Comments

¹ Statement of Commissioner Kevin J. Martin, MM & O, MM Docket 99-240, released May 20, 2004.