AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: On February 22, 2021, the Media Bureau, Video Division (Bureau) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in response to a petition for rulemaking filed by Gray Television Licensee, LLC (Gray), the licensee of KCBD, channel 11 (NBC), Lubbock, Texas, requesting the substitution of channel 36 for channel 11 at Lubbock in the DTV Table of Allotments. For the reasons set forth in the Report and Order referenced below, the Bureau amends FCC regulations to substitute channel 36 for channel 11 at Lubbock.

DATES: Effective [INSERT DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s Report and Order, MB Docket No. 21-61; RM-11885; DA 21-477, adopted April 26, 2021, and released April 26, 2021. The full text of this document is available for download at https://www.fcc.gov/edocs. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

The proposed rule was published at 86 FR 12163 on March 2, 2021. Gray filed comments in support of the petition reaffirming its commitment to applying for channel 36. No other comments were received. In support, Gray states that the Commission has recognized that VHF
channels have certain propagation characteristics which may cause reception issues for some viewers, and that many of its viewers experience significant difficulty receiving KCBD’s signal. Gray also demonstrated that while there is a small terrain limited predicted loss area when comparing the licensed channel 11 and the proposed channel 36 facilities, all but 350 of the persons currently served by KCBD will continue to be well served by at least five other stations, a number which the Commission has recognized as *de minimis*. The Bureau believes the public interest would be served by the channel substitution because it will result in improved service.


The Commission will send a copy of this *Report and Order* in a report to be sent to Congress and the Government Accountability Office pursuant to the Congressional Review Act, *see* 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

**List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73**

Television.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION.

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Final Rule

For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission amends 47 CFR part 73 as follows:

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICE

1. The authority citation for part 73 continues to read as follows:


2. In § 73.622(i), amend the Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments, under Texas, by revising the entry for Lubbock to read as follows:

§ 73.622 Digital television table of allotments.

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