FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 21-177; RM-11904; DA 21-848; FR ID 39235]

Television Broadcasting Services Redding, California

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: On April 21, 2021, the Media Bureau, Video Division (Bureau) issued a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in response to a petition for rulemaking filed by Sinclair Media Licensee, LLC (Petitioner), the licensee of KRCR-TV, channel 7 (ABC), Redding, California, requesting the substitution of channel 15 for channel 7 at Redding 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 15 for channel 7 at Redding.

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

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The proposed rule was published at 86 FR 25978 on May 12, 2021. The Petitioner filed comments in support of the petition reaffirming its commitment to apply for channel 15. No other comments were filed. The Petitioner states that VHF channels have certain propagation characteristics which may cause reception issues for some viewers. In addition, KRCR has received numerous complaints from viewers unable to receive the Station’s over-the-air signal, despite being able to receive signals from other stations. The Petitioner also submitted an analysis, using the Commission’s TVStudy software analysis program, demonstrating that the proposed channel change from channel 7 to channel 15 would result in a substantial increase in signal receivability for KRCR’s core viewers, with a minimal loss of service to only 299 people, a number the Commission considers de minimis.
This is a synopsis of the Commission’s Report and Order, MB Docket No. 21-177; RM-11904; DA 21-848, adopted July 15, 2021, and released July 16, 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 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.

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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 SERVICES

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 California, by revising the entry for Redding to read as follows:

§ 73.622 Digital television table of allotments.

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