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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 25-106; RM-11996; DA 25-166; FR ID 282584]

Television Broadcasting Services Monroe, Louisiana

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Video Division, Media Bureau (Bureau), has before it a petition for rulemaking filed by Gray Television Licensee, LLC (Gray or Petitioner), the licensee of KNOE-TV, channel 8, Monroe, Louisiana (Station or KNOE-TV). Petitioner requests that the Bureau substitute channel 8 for channel 24 at Monroe, Louisiana in the Table of TV Allotments (table).

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] and reply comments on or before [INSERT DATE 45 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 45 L Street, NE, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve counsel for the Petitioner as follows: Joan Stewart, Esq., Wiley Rein LLP, 2050 M Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Emily Harrison, Media Bureau, at Emily.Harrison@fcc.gov, (202) 418-1665, or Mark Colombo, Media Bureau, at Mark.Colombo@fcc.gov, (202) 418-7611.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On January 11, 2022, the Bureau granted a petition for rulemaking submitted by Gray to substitute channel 24 for channel 8 at Monroe for KNOE-TV. On March 1, 2022, Gray was granted a construction permit for its new channel, with an expiration date of March 1, 2025. In its Petition, Gray states that it is unable to complete construction of the channel 24 facility by the expiration date. Thus, Gray requests amendment of the table to allow it to continue to operate on channel 8, and proposes to specify the technical parameters of its currently licensed channel 8 facility.

We believe that the Petitioner's channel substitution proposal for KNOE-TV warrants consideration. KNOE-TV is currently operating on channel 8 and the substitution of channel 8 for channel 24 in the table will allow the Station to remain on the air and continue to provide service to viewers within its service area. Given that Gray proposes to utilize its currently licensed parameters, we believe channel 8 can be substituted for channel 24 at Monroe as proposed, in compliance with the principal community coverage requirements of section 73.618(a) of the Commission's rules (Rules), at coordinates 32-11'-51.0" N. and 92-04'-14.0" W. In addition, we find that this channel change meets the technical requirements set forth in section 73.622(a) of the Rules.

This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, MB Docket No. 25-106; RM-11996; DA 25-166, adopted February 25, 2025, and released February 25, 2025. The full text of this document is available for download at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs>. To request materials in accessible formats (braille, large print, computer diskettes, or audio recordings), please send an email to FCC504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Government Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (VOICE), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

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See §§ 1.415 and 1.420 of the Commission's rules for information regarding the proper filing procedures for comments, 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

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online a brief plain-language summary of the proposed rule. The required summary of this notice of proposed rulemaking is available at <https://www.fcc.gov/proposed-rulemakings>.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Television.

Federal Communications Commission.

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Proposed Rule

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

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES

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

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 155, 301, 303, 307, 309, 310, 334, 336, 339.

2. In § 73.622, in the table in paragraph (j), under Louisiana, revise the entry for “Monroe” to read as follows:

§ 73.622 Digital television table of allotments.

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Monroe	8, *13
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