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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 25-287; RM-12010; DA 25-854; FR ID 313820]

#### Television Broadcasting Services Hutchinson, Kansas

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule.

**SUMMARY:** This document proposes to amend the Table of TV Allotments (table) of the Federal Communications Commission's (Commission) rules by substituting channel \*33 for \*8 at Hutchinson, Kansas in response to a Petition for Rulemaking filed by Kansas Public Telecommunications Service, Inc. (Kansas Public or Licensee), the licensee of noncommercial educational PBS member television station KPTS(TV) (KPTS or Station) channel \*8, Hutchinson, Kansas (Hutchinson). In support of its channel substitution request, the Petitioner asserts that allowing the Station to move from a VHF to a UHF channel would serve the public interest by improving signal reception for viewers. The staff engineering analysis finds that the proposal is in compliance with the Commission's principal community coverage and technical requirements. The proposed channel change is predicted to result in service to more viewers, both through better signal quality and an expanded coverage area.

**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: Derek Teslik, Gray Miller Persh LLP, 2233 Wisconsin Avenue, NW, Suite 226, Washington, D.C. 20007.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

This is a synopsis of the Commission’s *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, MB Docket No. 25-287; RM-12010; DA 25-854, adopted September 16, 2025, and released September 16, 2025. The full text of this document is available online at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs>.

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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.

*Providing Accountability Through Transparency Act*: The Providing Accountability Through Transparency Act, Public Law 118-9, requires each agency, in providing notice of a rulemaking, to post 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 Kansas, revise the entry for “Hutchinson” to read as follows:

**§ 73.622 Digital television table of allotments.**

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(j) \* \* \*

Community	Channel No.
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<b>Kansas</b>	
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Hutchinson	19, *33, 35
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