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HIGHEST PRICE PAID FOR CLASS B1? A DEAL WORTH \$134 MILLION. . . Price check in the New York market: A stick B1 FM is now worth \$134 million. Heftel is willing to pay \$115 million (cash) and throw in 930 KHz WPAT (AM), Paterson, NJ, for which it paid \$19 million. The station worth the big bucks is ethnic WNWK, Newark, NJ, and it's a good bet that owner Way Broadcasting will be able to slide its current programming over to 930 KHz, if it wants to. (Way also owns ethnic WKDM, New York [1380 KHz] in Gotham.) No doubt about Heftel's formatic intentions -- it's going Spanish on the 105.9 MHz frequency when it closes, hopefully next February. Heftel's McHenry Tichenor, Jr. says "Buying English-formatted stations and converting to Spanish language formats is an essential part of our strategy." He also says that the WNWK purchase plugs an important hole for Heftel: New York is the only top-ten Hispanic market where it doesn't possess an FM. It does own Spanish news/talk WADO (1280 KHz), New York. Raul Alarcon's Spanish Broadcasting System is the group most likely affected by Heftel's push into New York FM ownership: SBS now owns Romantica WPAT-FM, Paterson and Spanish CHR WSKQ, New York. Rumbaut & Company brokered the WNWK transaction.

SINCLAIR MAXIMISES. . . Sinclair Broadcast Group is buying out Max Media, LLC, in a \$255 million deal that's almost a rarity these days -- one radio/TV group acquiring another radio/TV group, with the buyer staying in radio. The Max Media radio properties are in two markets: Norfolk/Tidewater, and Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point. Sinclair will have an embarrassment of riches in Norfolk as a result of the stations it's acquiring from both Max Media and Heritage Media. It says it will divest two FMs there, but hasn't identified which two stations are going. (M Street notes that there are TWO unrelated operators in Norfolk with similar names: Baltimore-based Sinclair Broadcast Group, and local owner Sinclair Communications.) The eight stations Sinclair Broadcast will pick up from Max Media, by market: In Norfolk, soft AC WFOG-FM, Suffolk; modern AC WPTE, Virginia Beach; AC WWDE, Hampton, VA; and dance CHR WNVZ, Norfolk. In Greensboro/Winston-Salem/High Point: oldies WMQX, Winston-Salem; urban AC WQMG-FM, Greensboro; black gospel WQMG (AM), Greensboro; and urban WJMH, Reidsville, NC. Sinclair attorneys will also be busy at the Commission pleading for TV waivers on various overlaps in Ohio, Tennessee and North Carolina.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		<u>formerly</u>	<u>becomes</u>
AL Ozark (Dothan)	WQLS-FM-103.9	classic rock	JRN - country
CA Davis (Sacramento)	KQBR-104.3	smooth jazz	urban AC
Fresno	KGST-1600	regional Mexican	Unica - Spanish talk
Simi Valley (Oxnard)	KVCA-670	tropical	Unica - Spanish talk
	(KVCA enters into an LMA with the new Radio Unica Network)		
CO Deer Trail	KTMG-1370	talk // KHNC	reported silent
Johnstown (Ft Collins)	KHNC-1360	talk	reported silent
	(KHNC & KTMG are silent due to fire and are expected to be back soon)		
CT Westport (Bridgeport)	WMMM-1260*	# silent	news, talk & classical
	(WMMM becomes a combo with news and classical WSHU)		
GA Roswell (Atlanta)	WTHA-107.5	new	R&B oldies
	(WTHA is a combo with urban WHTA)		
IA Bettendorf (Quad Cts.)	KORB-93.5	modern rock	adds Howard Stern
LA Minden (Shreveport)	KSYR-95.7	silent	adult contemporary
	(KSYR has been silent pending an upgrade and move into Shreveport)		
MD Silver Spring (D.C.)	WKDL-1050	# Aahs - children's	Spanish CHR
	(WKDL and WKDV enter into an LMA-to-buy with Mega Broadcasting)		

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FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES (cont'd)

MS Oxford	WSUH-1420	news & talk	reported silent
(WSUH has lost its transmitter site and is looking for a new one)			
Poplarville	WRPM-1530	country	southern gospel
Tupelo	WELO-580	news & talk	reported silent
(WELO reports that they are making technical improvements)			
MT Billings	KMZK-1240	# rock and rap	contemporary Christian
(KMZK enters into an LMA-to-buy with religion KURL)			
NJ Trenton	WTTM-920	sports	religion // WCHR
NM Alamogordo	KNMZ-103.7	# new	classic rock
(KNMZ, KPSA and KPSA-FM enter into an LMA-to-buy with Lu Runn Broadcasting)			
NC Charlotte	WTLT-1480	talk	standards // WNMX-FM
(new formats are expected soon for simulcasting stations WAVO & WTLI)			
Valdese (Hick./Morgan)	WSVM-1490	country & talk	oldies
OH Toledo	WLQR-1470	urban oldies	sports
(WLQR confirms format change, but no target date has been set)			
PA Pittsburgh	WVTY-96.1	# hot AC	modern AC "The River"
Pittsburgh	WTAE-1250	news & talk	sports
SC Charleston	WXTC-1390	# country // WBUB	black gospel
Charleston	WJZK-96.9	# smooth jazz	WSUY, soft AC
(WSUY's format and calls move from 100.5 MHz, WJZK, WXTC and WBUB become a combo with WMGL, WSSX-FM, WTMA, WTMZ, and WWWZ)			
Charleston	WSUY-100.5	# soft AC	stunting
(WSUY's soft AC format & calls move to WJZK 96.9 MHz, 100.5 MHz is now a combo with classic hits WRFQ, country WEZL, and oldies WXLY)			
TX Orange (Beaumont)	KIOC-106.1	CHR	rock "Big Dog 106"
Pharr (McAllen)	KVJY-840	# adult standards	Unica - Spanish talk
(KVJY enters into an LMA-to-buy with Vie Dansanti Broadcasting, Inc.)			
San Antonio	KZDC-1250	rock	Unica - Spanish talk
(KZDC enters into an LMA with the new Radio Unica Network)			
VA Manassas (D.C.)	WKDV-1460	# AAHs - children's	Spanish CHR // WKDL
(WKDV and WKDL enter into an LMA-to-buy with Mega Broadcasting)			

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)

(+ competes with existing application)			
CA 89.7*	Antioch	1000 w (v), -26 ft	Stockton Christ. Life College
94.9+	Baker	11400 w, 483 ft	Joseph G. Cavallo
94.9+	Baker	1000 w, 1390 ft, DA	KHWY, Inc.
94.9+	Baker	25000 w, 328 ft	Point Broadcasting Company
88.5*&	Lemoore	100 w, 102 ft	Lemoore Union High School Dist.
96.9+	Lenwood	2300 w, 541 ft	Point Broadcasting Company
90.5*	Pt. Reyes Station	180 w, -285 ft	West Marin Community Radio
CO 89.9*	Colorado City	9000 w, 144 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
FL 97.9**	Woodville	6000 w, 328 ft	Calvary Chapel Tallahassee Inc.
97.9+	Woodville	6000 w, 328 ft	Williams Broadcasting Company
IA 89.9*	Center Point	1900 w, 298 ft	Florida Public Radio
89.9**	Marion	1000 w, 328 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
107.1+	Vinton	6000 w, 328 ft	George S. Flinn, Jr.
LA 89.5*	Bunkie	1000 w, 298 ft	American Family Association
95.9+	Mansura	6000 w, 292 ft	Tom D. Gay
MO 100.7+	Deerfield	17500 w, 390 ft	Amer. Media Investments, Inc.
NM 91.7*	Fruitland	3000 w (v), 600 ft	Native Amer. Christian Voice
96.5	Raton	650 w, 968 ft	David F. Phillips
97.7	Raton	950 w, 820 ft	N'Joy Broadcasting
NY 88.1*	Eagle Bridge	100 w, -351 ft, DA	Northeast Gospel Broadcasting
(petition for reconsideration granted and application reinstated)			
TX 91.5*	Bloomington	25000 w, 328 ft	Houston Christian Bcstrs., Inc.
91.5*	Victoria	6000 w, 328 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
VA 102.5+	Shawsville	6000 w, 210 ft	George S. Flinn, Jr.
102.5**	Shawsville	150 w, 1965 ft, DA	Positive Alternative Radio
WY 99.3+	Newcastle	200 w, 299 ft	Michael Radio Group
99.3+	Newcastle	6000 w, 328 ft	Mount Rushmore Bcstg., Inc.

Returned/Dismissed Applications

IN 90.3*	Nashville (R)	American Family Association
MI 89.9*	Rogers Heights (R)	Great Lakes Bcst. Academy, Inc.

NEW STATIONS: ACCEPTED FOR FILING

NV 1400	Sparks	11-24-97	Rolando Collantes
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NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

KY 103.9	Drakesboro	1950 w, 407 ft	Southern Wabash Comms. Corp.
NH 720	Hanover	50000/500, DA-2	Koor Communications, Inc.

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

ID new-92.5	Coeur D'Alene	KZZU-FM	QueenB Radio, Inc.
MI new-107.1*	Houghton	WNMU	Bd. of Ctr. Nor. MI Univ.
MN new-107.7	New Ulm	KNUJ-FM	James Ingstad Bcstg.
NE new-90.9*	Hastings	WYFG	Bible Bcstg. Network
NY new-105.7*	Geneva	WCIY	Family Life Ministries
NC new-90.9*	Manteo	WUNC	Univ. of NC/Chapel Hill
OR new-100.9*	Enterprise	KFAE	Wallowa Valley TV Assoc.
new-89.5*	Enterprise	KPBX	Wallowa Valley TV Assoc.
new-107.1	Enterprise	KXLY-FM	Wallowa Valley TV Assoc.
TN new-105.1*	Greeneville	WYFC	Bible Bcstg. Network
TX new-106.1*	Kerrville	KXPZ	Stronghold Foundation
UT new-90.5*	Salt Lake City	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: GRANTS

NY W282AH-104.3	Alexandria Bay	10 w, WTOJ	Richard Brooks
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CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AK KSKA-91.1*	Anchorage	requests extension of time to increase to 100000 w, 617 ft, class C1, change xmtr location to 61-25-22 149-52-20
AZ KVRD-FM-105.7	Cottonwood	increases to 300 w, class C3, changes xmtr location to 34-41-11 112-06-58
KJTA(CP)-89.9*	Flagstaff	granted replacement of expired CP
KKFR-92.3	Glendale	granted extension of time to build new auxiliary facility
KFMR(CP)-95.1	Winslow	granted extension of time
CA KAMB-101.5*	Merced	changes to 1850 w (circular), 2093 ft, drops DA, changes xmtr location to 37-32-01 120-01-46
KOCN-105.1	Pacific Grove	requests replacement of expired CP to increase to 4200 w, 790 ft, class B1, change xmtr loc. to 36-30-38 121-43-57
KHCS-91.7*	Palm Desert	increases to 960 w
KEST-1450	San Francisco	changes xmtr loc. to 37-45-37 122-22-56
KSLY-FM-96.1	San Luis Obispo	changes to 3400 w, 1686 ft, changes xmtr location to 35-21-37 120-39-17
KLDZ(CP)-107.7	Santa Barbara	requests extension of time
KXBS-96.7	Santa Paula	granted extension of time to increase to 280 w, add DA
CO KCBR-1040	Monument	increases to 5000 w days, adds 2000 w (critical hours), ND-D
FL WTLN-1520	Apopka	granted extension of time to add 350 w nights, DA-2
WKSG(CP)-89.5*	Cedar Creek	granted extension of time
WTKK-98.5	Crystal River	decreases to 981 ft, class C1, changes xmtr location to 29-17-03 82-39-51
WLVU-FM-106.3	Holiday	granted extension of time to move to 97.1 C2, increase to 11500 w, 738 ft, change xmtr loc. to 28-10-56 82-46-06
WRGP(CP)-88.1*	Homestead	requests extension of time
(CP)-91.7*	Marco	granted replacement of expired CP
		(granted with condition)
WFKZ-103.1	Plantation Key	requests extension of time to increase to 328 ft
HI KRTR-96.3	Kailua	requests replacement of expired CP to decrease to 2116 ft
KAUI(CP)-103.3	Kekaha	granted replacement of expired CP
KSRF(CP)-95.9	Poipu	granted replacement of expired CP
ID KTPZ-99.1	Mountain Home	changes to 80000 w, 2191 ft, class C, changes xmtr loc. to 43-14-43 115-26-12
IL WJBC-1230	Bloomington	changes xmtr loc. to 40-27-01 89-00-42
WEEK-FM-98.5	Eureka	increases to 6000 w
WTIM-FM-97.3	Taylorville	license to cover for new station
WNVR-1030	Vernon Hills	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 4000 w days, DA-D, change xmtr location to 42-15-10 88-23-45
WGFA-FM-94.1	Watseka	increases to 50000 w, 364 ft, class B
WZSR-105.5	Woodstock	increases to 1600 w, 567 ft, adds DA, changes xmtr loc. to 42-15-34 88-21-45

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

IN WAXT-96.7	Alexandria	granted replacement of expired CP to change to 2500 w, 351 ft
WQKZ-98.5	Ferdinand	license to cover for new station
WOWO-1190	Fort Wayne	granted extension of time to decrease to 9800 w nights, DA-N
WBSJ(CP)-91.7*	Portland	granted extension of time
LA KXKC-99.1	New Iberia	changes xmtr loc. to 30-12-06 91-46-37
MI WCVN(CP)-94.7	Bronson	requests extension of time
WDFN-1130	Detroit	returned CP to modify night pattern
WWCM-990	Ypsilanti	increases to 9200 w days, DA-2, increases to 4 towers days
MS WQXB-100.1	Grenada	requests extension of time to increase to 24500 w, 708 ft, add DA, class C2, change xmtr loc. to 33-41-24 89-55-53 [89-406]
WVYE(CP)-100.5	Port Gibson	granted replacement of expired CP
NV KADD-93.5	Laughlin	decreases to 2750 w, class C1
NJ WJHR(CP)-1040	Flemington	granted extension of time
WFNN-98.7	Villas	increases to 328 ft, changes xmtr location to 38-59-51 74-50-31
NY WYSL-1040	Avon	returned CP to move to 1040 KHz, increase to 2500 w days, add 500 w nights, DA-2
(WYSL has already moved from 1030 KHz and is operating on STA of 625 w days and is challenging the return of the CP)		
WLIB-1190	New York	granted extension of time to increase to 30000 w nights, DA-2
WDFH-90.3*	Ossining	changes to 12 w, 325 ft, changes xmtr location to 41-10-58 73-49-50
NC WUNC-91.5*	Chapel Hill	built new auxiliary facility
WFMZ-104.9	Hertford	license to cover for new station
OK KMGZ-95.3	Lawton	requests extension of time to increase to 14000 w, 312 ft, class C3
OR KAPK(CP)-91.1*	Grants Pass	granted replacement of expired CP
PR WJVP(CP)-89.3*	Culebra	granted extension of time
RI WBRU-95.5	Providence	granted extension of time to increase to 50000 w, 492 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 41-48-28 71-28-12
SC WSSP-94.3	Goose Creek	granted extension of time to increase to 5800 w, class C3
WCMG-94.3	Marion	increases to 10500 w, 502 ft, class C3, changes xmtr loc. to 34-26-20 79-29-44, changes city of license to Latta, SC
WPEK-98.1	Seneca	requests extension of time to decrease to 984 ft, drop DA, change xmtr location to 34-42-56 83-03-31
SD KZMX-FM-96.7	Hot Springs	increases to 38000 w (h), 453 ft, class C2
TX KAQD-91.3*	Abilene	license to cover for new station
KPBL-1240	Hemphill	requests extension of time to change xmtr location to 31-22-03 93-50-10
UT KVFM-94.5	Logan	requests replacement of expired CP to increase to 70000 w, class C
VT WGDR-91.1*	Plainfield	increases to 1700 w, -348 ft
WA KNRK-94.7	Camas	requests replacement of expired CP to change to 3400 w, 807 ft, DA, change xmtr loc. to 45-27-17 122-32-58 [92-241]
KZOK-FM-102.5	Seattle	granted extension of time to change to 58000 w, 2342 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 47-30-14 121-58-29
KNDD-107.7	Seattle	granted extension of time to change to 57300 w (h), 49800 w (v), 2342 ft, add DA, change xmtr loc. to 47-30-14 121-58-29
WI WHID(CP)-88.1*	Green Bay	granted extension of time
WPCK-104.9	Kaukauna	changes to 3100 w, 462 ft
WXEC(CP)-93.9	Nekoosa	requests extension of time
WY KUWG-90.9*	Gillette	license to cover for new station
KSUW-91.3*	Sheridan	license to cover for new station

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS

AL WFOV(CP)-106.1	Chatom	(& reapplication) [docket number] change to 12000 w, 472 ft, change xmtr location to 31-43-30 87-54-58, change city of license to Grove Hill, AL [97-71]
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FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

AL WQEN-103.7	Gadsden	one step application to change to 77000 w, 1105 ft, class C1, change xmtr location to 33-49-33 86-26-46
AK KSDP-840*	Sand Point	direct measurement of antenna power
AZ KWRQ-102.1	Clifton	decrease to 2211 ft, change xmtr location to 32-53-23 109-19-26
AR KANX-91.1*	Pine Bluff	increase to 16500 w, 522 ft, class C2, change xmtr loc. to 34-17-26 92-29-36
CA KZPE(CP)-102.1	Ford City	decrease to 128 ft
	(requesting previously authorized facilities)	
KREA-93.5	Ontario	increase to 6000 w, -131 ft
KFOX-93.5	Redondo Beach	increase to 6000 w, 282 ft
KYCY-1550	San Francisco	increase to 5000 w days, DA-2, change xmtr location to 37-27-30 121-56-04
KKSF-103.7	San Francisco	change to 7200 w, 1512 ft
KOWL-1490	South Lake Tahoe	direct measurement of antenna power
CO KTLF-90.5*	Colorado Springs	modify CP to change to 30000 w (v), 2175 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 38-44-43 104-51-41
FL WXGJ(CP)-105.5	Apalachicola	one step application to increase to class C2, 50000 w
WAAZ-FM-104.7	Crestview	increase to 50000 w (circular), 492 ft, change xmtr loc. to 30-46-01 86-35-07
WGWD-93.3	Gretna	one step application to increase to 8700 w, 499 ft, class C3, change xmtr location to 30-29-48 84-27-33
WJGR-1320	Jacksonville	direct measurement of antenna power
WWAV-102.1	Santa Rosa Beach	correct coordinates to 30-23-10 86-17-48
WKXY-930	Sarasota	correct coordinates to 27-21-19 82-23-06
GA WCCV-91.7*	Cartersville	increase to 10000 w, 935 ft, DA, class C2, change xmtr location to 34-09-34 85-02-13
IA KOKX-1310	Keokuk	direct measurement of antenna power
KS WREN-1250	Topeka	increase to 25000 w days, DA-2, change xmtr location to 39-11-17 94-27-27
KY WCYO-106.1	Irvine	move to 100.7 C3, change to 9200 w, 505 ft, chg. xmtr loc. to 37-29-40 84-08-55 [96-161]
	(also listed on FCC notice as an application for a new station on 100.7 MHz)	
LA KXKC-99.1	New Iberia	correct coordinates to 30-12-06 91-46-37
WTIX-690	New Orleans	direct measurement of antenna power
MN KVGO-104.3	Spring Valley	increase to 10000 w, 512 ft, class C3, change xmtr loc. to 43-38-23 92-38-30 [97-135]
MT KHKR-FM-104.1	East Helena	one step application to increase to class C1, 30000 w, 643 ft
NM KRSN-1490	Los Alamos	direct measurement of antenna power
PA WSHP-1480	Shippensburg	decrease to 460 w days, 10 w nights, ND, change xmtr loc. to 40-04-30 77-32-09
RI WBRU-95.5	Providence	modify CP to decrease to 456 ft, drop DA, change xmtr loc. to 41-49-40 71-22-09
SC WPEK-98.1	Seneca	modify CP to increase to 1063 ft, change xmtr loc. to 34-41-15 82-59-13
TN WXVO-98.7	Oliver Springs	build new auxiliary facility
WLIJ-1580	Shelbyville	increase to 5000 w days, ND, change xmtr location to 35-27-19 86-27-07
TX KELP-1590	El Paso	modify CP to augment day and night DA
KTSA-550	San Antonio	direct measurement of antenna power
VA WINC-1400	Winchester	direct measurement of antenna power
WI WHSM-910	Hayward	direct measurement of antenna power
WMVM(CP)-98.7	Mayville	increase to 328 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 43-26-17 88-31-35
WVEC(CP)-93.9	Nekoosa	change xmtr loc. to 44-13-19 89-51-13

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

CA KLAX-FM-97.9	Long Beach	change to 33000 w, 604 ft, DA, change xmtr location to 34-09-49 118-11-44, change city of lic. to East Los Angeles [90-44]
KY WVRB-105.9	Wilmore	one step application to move to 95.3 MHz, change xmtr location to 37-45-55 84-38-06
MS WWUN-FM-101.7	Clarksdale	modify CP to move to 101.5 C3, increase to 25000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr location to 34-21-49 90-36-56

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS (cont'd)

MS WGRM-1240	Greenwood	direct measurement of antenna power
WJDX-96.3	Jackson	decrease to 1059 ft, change xmtr
		location to 32-12-29 90-24-50
WASM(CP)-91.1*	Natchez	move to 91.9 MHz, increase to 1000 w,
		167 ft, add DA
NC WNCW-88.7*	Spindale	decrease to 3027 ft, DA, change xmtr
		location to 35-44-06 82-17-11
OH WAQZ-107.1	Milford	one step application to increase to
		class B1, 2800 w, 866 ft, change xmtr
		location to 39-06-59 84-30-07
PR WQQZ-98.3	Quebradillas	one step application to move to 99.5 B,
		increase to 22000 w, 2099 ft, change
		xmtr location to 18-09-00 66-59-00 [91-259]
WI WHID(CP)-88.1*	Green Bay	change to 17000 w, 1014 ft, DA

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

CA KCDR-1390	Turlock	becomes	KVIN	11-10-97
NC WJZK-96.9	Charleston		# WSUY	(requested)

New call letters not used

VA WAEF(CP)-103.1 Alberta
 (station was assigned calls of WAEF and WAQD, will remain WAQD)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AZ KWMX-96.7	Williams	314 from Jana Tucker
		to Red Rock Communications II, Ltd.
AR KNWA-1600/	Bellefonte/	316 from Harrison Radio Stations (Wayne Dowdy)
KCWD-96.1	Harrison	to Harrison Radio Stations (Morgan Dowdy)
KPFM-105.5	Mountain Home	316 from Mt. Home Radio Stat. (Wayne Dowdy)
		to Mt. Home Radio Stat. (Morgan Dowdy)
CA KXBS-96.7	Santa Paula	314 from KXBS Broadcasting Company
		to Lazer Broadcasting Corporation
GA WTTI-1530	Dalton	316 invol. transfer of negative control
		from Robert R. Wilson, Deceased
		to L.F. Pye, Sr
WTTI-1530	Dalton	316 invol. from L. F. Pye, Sr. (Deceased)
		to Estate of L. F. Pye, Sr.
WTTI-1530	Dalton	314 from Pye Wilson Broadcasting, Inc.
		to Troy L. Hall
		(\$150,000 includes LMA)
WMLT-1330/	Dublin	316 from State Bcstg. Corp. (Wayne Dowdy)
WQZY-95.9		to State Bcstg. Corp. (Morgan Dowdy)
		(Wayne Dowdy is acquiring 25% ownership from his brother, Morgan Dowdy)
IL WSBC-1240	Chicago	314 from WSBC Broadcasting, LLC
		to WSBC, Inc.
		(\$5,550,000 includes LMA; Broker is Bergner & Co.)
WCFJ-1470	Chicago Heights	314 from Liberty Temple Full Gospel, Inc.
		to WCFJ, Inc.
		(\$420,000)
ME WQCB-106.5/	Brewer/	314 from Castle Broadcasting, LP
WBZN-107.3	Old Town	to Cumulus Licensing Corp.
MA WNAN(CP)-91.1*	Nantucket	314 from Cape & Island Community Pub. Radio
		to WGBH Educational Foundation
WHMV(CP)-90.1*	Woods Hole	314 from Cape & Island Community Pub. Radio
		to WGBH Educational Foundation
MI WQLB-103.3	Tawas City	316 from Carroll Enterprises, Inc.
		to Carroll Broadcasting, Inc.
		(\$141,321.52 for remaining 9% ownership)
MS WAKK-1140/	McComb	316 from San-Dow Broadcasting, Inc.
WAPF-980/WAKH-105.7		to Southwest Broadcasting, Inc.
WSUH-1420/	Oxford	316 from San-Dow Bcstg., Inc. (Wayne Dowdy)
WWMS-97.5		to San-Dow Bcstg., Inc. (Morgan Dowdy)
WELO-580/	Tupelo	316 from San-Dow Bcstg., Inc. (Wayne Dowdy)
WZLQ-98.5		to San-Dow Bcstg., Inc. (Morgan Dowdy)
MT KMZK-1240	Billings	314 from Michael May Enterprises, Inc.
		to Elenbaas Media, Inc.
		(\$115,000 cash at close, includes LMA)
KKMT(CP)-95.9	Columbia Falls	314 from Radio 2000, Inc.
		to Bee Broadcasting
NC WIXE-1190	Monroe	315 from Monroe Bcstg. (Eleanor Randall)
		to Monroe Bcstg. (Monroe Bcstg. Co., Inc.)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

SC WJXY-1050/93.9	Conway	314 from Carolina Broadcasting, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corp. (\$2.3 million; broker is The Whittle Agency)
WXJY-93.7	Georgetown	314 from Georgetown Radio, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corp. (\$2.3 million)
WSYN-106.5	Georgetown	314 from Sunny Broadcasters, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corp.
WDAI-98.5	Pawleys Island	314 from Seacoast Radio Company, LLC to Cumulus Licensing Corp.
TX KVJY-840	Pharr	314 from July Broadcasting, Inc. to Vie Dansante Broadcasting, Inc.
WA KKNW-1290	Port Angeles	((\$700,000 includes LMA; Broker is Arturo Palacios) 314 from Q Media, LLC to Radio Pacific, Inc. (\$226,500)
WV WPMW-92.7	Mullens	314 from Slab Fork Bcsgt. Co, a LP to Castle Rock Investments, LLC

Form 316 Transfer applications were filed by Liberman Broadcasting, Inc. to LBI Radio License Corp. for KBUE, Long Beach; KKHJ, Los Angeles; KBUA, San Fernando; and KWIZ AM & FM in Santa Ana, CA.

Form 316 Transfer applications were also filed from WIKS-FM, Inc. to Taylor Broadcasting of Macon, Inc. for WIBB-FM, Fort Valley; WNML-FM, Gray; WLCG, Macon; WLCG-FM, WRBV and WNML, Warner Robins, GA.

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

NY WVIN	Malone	to 96.5 C3 from A, counterproposal, replies due Dec. 11
VT WXPS	Vergennes	to 96.7 A Willsboro, NY from Vergennes, VT, counterproposal, replies due Dec. 11

Counterproposals were filed this week by Lyle Broadcasting Corporation in Docket No. 97-168. The counterproposals suggest 4 options. All 4 options substitute 101.5 C1 from B for WCIL-FM in Carbondale, IL. In addition, Option 1 would allocate 101.3 C3 to Tiptonville, TN and 97.3 A to Arcadia, MO and substitute 93.5 A for 97.3 A for the new CP in Marble Hill, MO. Option 2 also allocates 101.3 C3 to Tiptonville, TN and moves the Marble Hill, MO CP to 93.5 A, but proposes a new allocation of 97.3 A to Arcadia, MO. Option 3 also proposes the allocation of 97.3 to Arcadia, MO and change to 93.5 A for the Marble Hill CP, but replaces the Tiptonville, TN allocation with a new allocation to Steeleville, IL at 101.5 C1. Option 4 recommends the same allocation of 101.5 C1 to Steeleville and 103.9 A to Arcadia, IL but moves the CP for KAUL in Ellington, MO to 106.7 A from 103.9 A. Replies are due for the above docket December 11, 1997.

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

Bartender, hold that drink: Congress is pushing -- again -- for the FCC to launch an inquiry into liquor advertising on radio and TV. 25 members of the House signed a letter to FCC Chairman Bill Kennard expressing concern that "our nation's airwaves will become flooded with additional messages that drown our children in images of academic and athletic success to be gained by drinking liquor." Leader of the movement appears to be -- again -- Massachusetts Democrat Joe Kennedy. M Street thinks Kennard still doesn't have the votes to start an investigation. So far, it appears just he and Susan Ness would vote in favor.

M Street told you a few weeks back that non-profit-owned stations will be exempted from the FCC's annual regulatory fees, after they make a onetime filing to prove their Section 501 exempt status. Now the Commission says that filing must be made by December 31, 1997, and must include documentation of non-profit status plus a list of the names and addresses of all stations, name on the license (if other than a non-profit entity) and some other details. "Non-profit status" for radio is calculated as of October 1, 1997. The new rules also require the for-profit purchaser of a current non-profit station to notify the Commission of the reassignment or sale within 60 days. Exempt-status filings should be addressed to the Managing Director, FCC, c/o Office of the Secretary, Room 222, Washington, D.C. 20554. Regina Dorsey can answer questions: (202) 418-1995, or e-mail her at rdorsey@fcc.gov.

WOHT, Drew, MS licensee Eddie Bond is ordered to shell out \$15,000 for unauthorized transfer of control. In fact, the FCC found not one but three instances of unauthorized transfer in handing out the order. WOHT is urban oldies "Hot 95." (FCC DA No. 97-2526)

CANADA THIS WEEK

The top-to-bottom review of regulations for commercial radio in Canada began in Hull with the CAB flying the warning Maple Leaf flag: "The viability of Canadian private radio depends on changes to ownership regulations and new proposals to promote Canadian talent and increased Canadian record sales." The broadcasters group tells the CRTC that it should work to make local radio "competitive" -- since half of all private stations in the country have been unprofitable since 1990. The other main thrust of the CAB's argument is the promotion of native talent through a linkage of music programming to record sales. The current level of Canadian content is 30%, though Canadian music sells at a 12% clip. Broadcasters would like to see a two-times formula: 12% of record sales equals 24% of Can con.

The fall BBM audience ratings will be delayed -- a lot. The BBM almost made it through the fall survey period before the very uncharacteristic postal strike hit Canada. Not quite, though: Three-quarters of the diaries are in-house, but about two weeks' worth of sample is stranded and undelivered. BBM/Bureau of Broadcast Measurement VP/Radio Don Easter says the fall book was scheduled to be released on December 18. Now that's pushed back to "middle January, at the earliest." It's a particular problem because in Canada (unlike the U.S.), the fall book is considered the most important of the three survey periods. The BBM issues books in the fall, spring and summer for many of its markets. Some other important ways BBM is different from Arbitron: the rolling averages cover four months, not three. And the BBM itself is a three-way consortium of broadcasters, advertising agencies and advertisers. One similarity to the U.S. situation: BBM is also being urged by some parties to produce so-called "full release" monthly reports with a full range of demos and dayparts. That concept is now being tested in Montreal.

ELSEWHERE

Big doin's in Charleston, SC that involve group owners Wicks, Jacor and Regent. The big picture is that Wicks enlarges its position there (to five FMs and three AMs); Jacor adds two more FMs; and Regent, which had bigger plans there, winds up holding just standards WSSP, Goose Creek, SC. Now here's the play-by-play call, from M Street: Wicks is buying from Southwind, and keeping, WJZK, Charleston; it immediately moved its "Sunny" AC format from WSUY, Charleston (100.5 MHz) down to WJZK's 96.9 MHz frequency (replacing WJZK's jazz format). Wicks is also buying country WBUB, St. George, SC from Southwind. It's also acquiring country WXTC, Charleston from Southwind, and will change formats on that AM to black gospel (it had been simulcasting WBUB). Wicks already owns talk WTMA, Charleston; news WTMZ, Dorchester; CHR WSSX, Charleston; urban WWWZ, Summerville; and urban AC WMGL, Ravenel. As for Jacor: It gets the 100.5 MHz frequency just vacated by the "Sunny" format. At M Street's presstime, it was stunting by playing the "Alice in Wonderland" soundtrack. Jacor also gets classic hits WRFQ, Mount Pleasant out of this deal. It already owns country WEZL, Charleston and oldies WXLV, North Charleston, and will end up with four FMs in Arbitron market #91. As for Regent -- its scaled-down plans in the market leave it owning only WSSP. Gary Stevens brokered the Charleston deal. Wicks executive Rex Tackett has more news: His company just closed on a new \$120 million credit facility led by KeyBank and Bank of Montreal.

For \$2.1 million, Ackerley Communications scores a second Seattle-area AM -- maybe with the aim of helping its overall coverage of the Ackerley-owned Seattle Supersonics on Ackerley's KJR (AM), Seattle. Barry Ackerley is acquiring news/talk KHHO, Tacoma from SouthWave Wireless Communications. M Street notes that the 850 KHz facility is the former KMTT (AM), which SouthWave acquired from Entercom less than two years ago for about \$500,000. Historically, it was the hometown Tacoma station called "KTAC." There's an LMA beginning December 15, and Ackerley's talking about "the synergistic opportunities" between KJR and KHHO, while "retaining a distinct Tacoma identity at KHHO." The Ackerley radio properties are currently in a partnership with managing partner New Century.

Is it almost Radio Disney time in Richmond? That's not confirmed -- But WZOD, Colonial Heights buyer Hibernia did pick up Radio Disney for its just-acquired WPZE, Boston. For its second purchase, Hibernia is paying Fletcher Communications \$860,000 for the 1290 KHz WZOD. Hibernia principals are Mike Craven, Jim Thompson and Kevin Reymond. The WZOD sale was brokered by Michael Bergner.

These days, when you think of Cox headquarters, you think of Atlanta. But Cox actually began building its media empire decades ago in Dayton, and has just started an LMA with three Dayton-area radio stations: oldies WCLR, Piqua and simulcast partner WZLR, Xenia; and standards WPTW, Piqua. They're all owned by Xenia Broadcasting. Cox Radio has country WHKO and news/talk WHIO, Dayton.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

More TV/radio cross-ownership: Channel 50, Chicago owner Newsweb is acquiring a second AM in the Chicagoland area. It's WCFJ, Chicago Heights, which had been airing religion and gospel under licensee Liberty Temple Full Gospel Church. The Chicago Sun-Times reports that Newsweb owner Fred Eychaner is paying \$425,000 for the 1470 KHz WCFJ. He recently agreed to buy WSBC, Chicago (1240 KHz) from Diamond, for \$5,550,000. The paper forecasts that Newsweb will simulcast WCFJ and WSBC in a time-brokered ethnic format.

New England owner ADD Radio picks up Providence-area talker WARA, Attleboro, MA from Merolla Chiropractic. Buyer ADD Radio Group is signaling that there could be a format change; it's also begun an LMA with the 1320 KHz facility. Peter Arpin's ADD group owns Spanish-and-ethnic WRCA, Waltham and reportedly has some other purchases in the pipeline. Brokers: Robert Maccini and Stephan Sloan of Media Services Group.

ABC Radio Networks finally confirms old rumors that it will move syndicated afternoon host Doug Banks to mornings. That shift will happen March 2, 1998, and positions Banks directly opposite Tom Joyner on the ABC Radio menu card. ABC began offering Banks after it got Joyner established in mornings a couple of years ago. Now it's clearly stating that Banks is an "18-34 mainstream urban" performer, as distinguished from Joyner's older-skewing act. ABC says now clears Banks on 29 stations in his current afternoon slot. M Street figures that some of them -- the ones that air Joyner in mornings -- have a decision to make. Banks and former "fly-jock" Joyner were once teammates at WGCI-FM, Chicago before they joined ABC and moved to Dallas. In Chicago, Chancellor Media-owned WVAZ now uses Joyner. Banks show member DeDe McGuire will move with him to mornings.

It was the hot plate, not the threats or the bullets that actually caused the fire that destroyed the studios of right-wing talk station KHNC, Johnstown, CO. Initial news reports of the fire got wide circulation last week -- but it turns out that the culprit was a plain old hot plate that belonged to a couple who lived in the rear of the building at 39 South Parish Street. M Street's been unable to contact the station, but KHNC's sister station KTMG, Deer Trail was also silenced by the fire, at least temporarily. KHNC made headlines last year when the Freeman holed up in eastern Montana contacted the station during their 81-day showdown with the FBI. The Rocky Mountain News quotes a talkshow host about KHNC's editorial stance: "The liberal media pretends it airs all sides of an issue. We don't pretend. We air our side of the issue."

Ready for mall traffic reports from "Radio Fortunoff"? The high-end gift store chain called Fortunoff is asking the Commission for a license to operate a low-power TIS AM station to direct traffic in the vicinity of "The Source" mall in Westbury, Long Island. The FCC requires that Travelers Information Service license applications also include a governmental body, and Newsday reports that Fortunoff has lined up the Metropolitan Suburban Bus Authority as a partner. The National Retail Federation thinks Radio Fortunoff would be the first traffic station run by a retail store. Info would come from shoppers, spotters on the roof of the store and other places -- and an 800 number.

American Tower Systems -- the company Steve Dodge will be left with after selling ARS to CBS -- says it's buying southeastern tower site acquisition and construction management specialist Gearon & Company. The package is worth \$32 million cash and about 5.3 million shares of ATS common stock. Michael Gearon will become a director and Executive VP of ATS.

M STREET BAZAAR. . .PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

Westwood One is certainly getting the most from its exclusive deal with the Rolling Stones' "Bridges To Babylon" tour -- no fewer than seven different features, starting with the December 12 live simulcast of the pay-per-view concert from St. Louis. There's also a three-hour year-end look at the Stones' career, a Superstar Concert Series show from the "Voodoo Lounge" tour, and even a spotlight on the House Of Blues Radio Hour, featuring bluesmen who've influenced the British group.

That pizza chain isn't the only one going to "the edge" -- United Stations says it has acquired a three-hour weekly show called "The Edge of Reality", from SW Networks. If you figured a show with that name would talk about UFOs, time travel, science fiction and ESP -- you're right. It was created and is still hosted by New York personality Ken Dashow. United Stations: (212) 869-1111.

M STREET BAZAAR (cont'd)

We didn't see a single "You might be a redneck if..." joke in the CRB's full-page bio of Jeff Foxworthy. Foxworthy may or may not actually tell a couple of those jokes, but he will indeed host the high-profile "New Faces" show at CRS-29, next February 28. More from the Country Radio Broadcasters: Deadline for the "Radio Humanitarian Awards" is January 5, for activities from the period November 1996 through November 1997. Deadline for inclusion on one of the "Aircheck CD Samplers" is January 5. Questions? Call CRB at (615) 327-4487, or check 'em out at www.crb.org.

Westwood goes FAR West -- out to Australia and New Zealand, in a deal the syndicator has just consummated with Sky Radio Australia. Westwood International syndicates programming like the Spin Radio Network, the House of Blues Radio Hour, Casey Kasem, Jay Leno and David Letterman.

Susan Powter Show syndicator NetStar Entertainment is doing things the Canadian way: working its Canadian affiliation effort through a Canadian company. In this case, that's the CHUM Radio Network. The U.S.-based advice show just debuted in seven markets north of the U.S. border. NetStar also syndicates (in the U.S.) the Psychic Friends Radio Network and says it has two new programs "in development."

Geller Media announces the fourth in a series of workshops specially tailored for talk-show producers. Date and place: May 2, 1998 at the Radisson Empire Hotel in New York City. Cost is \$195. Contact Geller Media at (212) 580-3385.

Think a radio station's done something really wonderful for the community? That's why the NAB sponsors the "Crystal Awards" competition every year. It's now accepting entries for the 11th annual Crystals, for public service activities during calendar 1997. Deadline for submissions is February 3, 1998. The next ten Crystal winners will be announced during the Radio Luncheon at the Spring "NAB '98" convention in Las Vegas.

Coming next week -- the third of M Street's five annual charts showing the differences between AM and FM programming.

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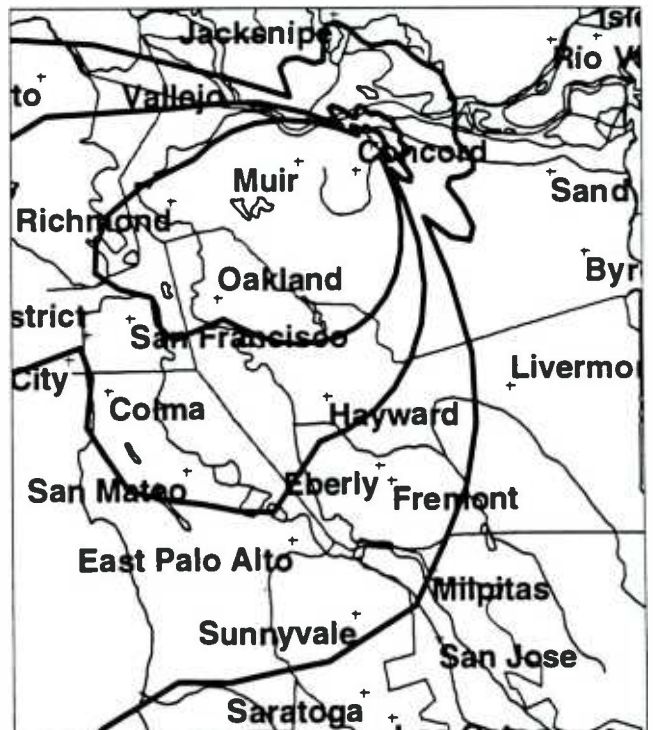
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"IT'S A JUNGLE OUT THERE" . . . That's how one broker describes the scramble among competing applicants to hammer out settlement agreements before the FCC's new deadline of January 31, 1998. The Commission's limited-time offer is unusual because it's willing to accept settlement agreements among applicants under terms that would have been verboten in previous years. But there's danger for the unwary, M Street notes: Our anonymous broker says parties who don't get inside a settlement agreement and later wind up not being awarded the license -- could lose everything they've invested up 'til now. The broker says, "They get nada."

THERE'S ALSO A FREEZE OUT THERE. . . . It's just a temporary freeze, but it's thrown a monkey wrench into the plans of several would-be applicants M Street has heard from. As part of its November 25 Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 97-397), the Commission has frozen the filing of applications for commercial stations. Its reasoning: "In order to relieve prospective applicants of the time and expense of filing applications under existing procedures that will likely be changed and streamlined under the new rules, the Commission announced a temporary freeze, effective upon the release of the NPRM. . . ." And the "new rules" will almost certainly involve, for the first time, auctions for commercial broadcast licenses in cases where there are mutually exclusive applications.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		<u>formerly</u>	<u>becomes</u>
AZ Clifton	KWRQ-102.1	# classic rock	adds JRN - classic rock
	(KWRQ is now a combo with news/talk KATO and country KXKQ)		
Williams (Flagstaff)	KWMX-96.7	# new	oldies
	(KWMX is now a combo with country KSED and adult contemporary KFLX)		
CA Lake Isabella (Baker.)	KQAB-1140	KVLI, oldies // FM talk	
GA Carrollton	WBTR-1330	# WPPI, oldies/talk	country & talk
	(WBTR is now a combo with WBTR-FM; WBTR simulcasts country 6am-9am)		
Newnan	WCOH-1400	JRN - country	JRN - classic country
Thomaston	WTGA-FM-101.1	JRN - country	JRN - oldies
Thomaston	WTGA-1590	country // FM	oldies // FM
	(WTGA keeps Ludlow Porch's talk show 9am to 12noon)		
HI Hilo	KHLO-850	silent	JRN - oldies
IA Alta	KBVU-FM-97.5	new	JRN - modern AC
KY Jamestown	WJKY-1060	country // WJRS	adds JRN - country // FM
Jamestown	WJRS-104.9	country	adds JRN - country
ME Harpswell (Portland)	WYFP-91.9*	# WMSJ, c. Christian	BBN - religion
	(The WMSJ call letters move to 89.3 MHz, Freeport, ME)		
Freeport	WMSJ-89.3*	new	contemporary Christian
MD Morningside (D.C.)	WPGC-FM-95.5	urban	adds Ed Lover & Dr. Dre
	(WPGC-FM will use Ed and Dre overnights)		
MA Worcester	WNEB-1230	# easy list. // WJIB	contemporary Christian
	(WNEB is now in an LMA-to-buy with Heirwaves, Inc.)		
MS Booneville (Tupelo)	WBIP-1400	country	Prime - sports
MO Blue Springs (KS City)	KOWW-1030	classic country	adds JRN - classic CW
MT Columbia Falls (Kal.)	KKMT-95.9	new	AC "The Mountain"
	(KKMT is in an LMA-to-buy with talk KJJR, rock KBBZ, and country KDBR)		
PA Loretto (Johnstown)	WEBG-1400	gold-based AC	JRN - oldies
SC Charleston	WLLC-100.5	# stunting	modern AC "Alice"
	(WLLC is now a combo with country WEZL, oldies WXLY & classic hits WRFQ)		
SD Sioux Falls	KKLS-FM-104.7	oldies	CHR "Hot 104.7"
Winner	KWYR-FM-93.7	CHR	JRN - AC

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FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES (cont'd)

TN Etowah	WCPH-1220	standards & talk	adds JRN - standards
Knoxville	WMEN-760	religion	ABC - motivational talk
Murfreesboro (Nash.)	WAPB-810	adult standards	adds JRN - standards
TX Brownfield	KKUB-1300	country	reported silent
Falfurrias	KPSO-FM-106.3	CW, Tejano, rel.	drops religion
Falfurrias	(KPSO-FM programs 6am-1pm and Tejano 1pm-10pm)		
	KPSO-1260	# CW, Tejano, rel. // FM religion	
	(KPSO(AM) was sold to The Evangelistic Worship Center and programs		
	English religion 6am-1pm and Spanish religion 1pm-12am)		
Memphis	KLSR-1130	country	reported silent
	(KLSR(AM) has given back the AM license, KLSR-FM remains on the air)		
WA Yakima	KGER-930	# KJOX, CW // KXDD	religion
	(KGER is in an LMA-to-buy with Read Broadcasting Network)		

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication) (+ competes with existing application)

CA 91.7*	China Lake	3000 w, 1282 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
CO 89.7*	Fort Collins	6500v/200h w, 423 ft	Public Radio for the Front Range
GA 101.9+	Bainbridge	6000 w, 328 ft	CDL Communications
101.9+	Bainbridge	5250 w, 350 ft	Chattahoochee Bcst. Assoc.
IL 89.3*	Effingham	395 w, 164 ft	American Family Association
88.9*	Sherman	500 w, 98 ft	Insight Ministries, Inc.
IN 89.1*	Lowell	1500 w, 259 ft	American Family Association
TX 91.3*	Greenville	no facils given	Kegg Communications, Inc.
100.9	Victoria	no facils given	Larry V. Reyna
88.5*	Weatherford	6000 w, 492 ft	CSSI Non-Profit Ed. Bcstg. Corp.
UT 99.1	Levan	6000 w, 328 ft	Micro Communications, Inc.
101.5+	Oakley	class C1	Andrew & Julia Bernhard
101.5+	Oakley	21000 w, 1725 ft	George S. Flinn, Jr.
101.5+	Oakley	4600 w, 374 ft	Gilbert Meed Keeley, Sr.
101.5+	Oakley	12500 w, 2171 ft	Michael Ferrigno
101.5+	Oakley	100000 w, 917 ft	Oak Tree Broadcasting
101.5+	Oakley	100000 w, 1092 ft	Summit Radio, LLC
101.5+	Oakley	class C1	Ted Austin, Jr.
WY 92.1+	Green River	100000 w, 1578 ft	Idaho Broadcasting Consortium
99.1	Lost Cabin	92000 w, 2007 ft	Michael Radio Group

Returned/Dismissed Applications

MI 90.7*	Mt. Pleasant (R)	Great Lakes Bcst. Academy, Inc.
TX 101.7+	Hebronville (D)	Gerald Benavides

NEW STATIONS: ACCEPTED FOR FILING

MS 107.7	Liberty	12-3-97	San-Dow Broadcasting, Inc.
NM 102.9	Kirtland	12-3-97	Radio Properties, Inc.
TX 92.1	Farmersville	12-3-97	Metro Broadcasters-TX, Inc.

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

IL 90.1*	DuQuoin	6000 w (v), 289 ft	American Family Association
KS 91.3*	Arkansas City	250 w, 59 ft	American Family Association
LA 91.9*	Bastrop	6000 w, 325 ft, DA	American Family Association
MD 91.7*	Leonardtown	50000 w, 292 ft, DA	Gr. Wash. Ed. Telecom. Assoc.
NM 890	Bernalillo	4000/1000, DA-2	Marlene V. Borman
OR 94.1	Tillamook	950 w, 745 ft	Brian J. Lord
TX 103.3	Falfurrias	3000 w, 328 ft	La Radio Christian Network Inc.

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

AZ new-89.9*	Stratton Canyon	WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
CA new-92.1	Carrizo Springs	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
new-90.9*	Gallinas	KLVR	Educ. Media Foundation
new-89.3*	Red Bluff	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
ID new-90.3*	Pocatello	KLOV-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
LA new-105.3*	Port Allen	KSJY	American Family Assoc.
MN new-95.1	Mankato	KEEZ-FM	Gemini Bcstg. Co.
NC new-107.1*	Farmville	WBFJ-FM	Carolina Christian Comms.
new-95.3*	Hillsborough	WBFJ-FM	Carolina Christian Comms.
new-89.1*	Nashville	WBFJ-FM	Carolina Christian Comms.
ND new-91.9*	Bismarck	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
OR new-97.9*	Cully	KLVP-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
new-106.5*	Grizzly	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
SC new-97.1*	Florence	WYFQ-FM	Bible Bcstg. Network

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: GRANTS

CA K290AH-105.9*	Arnold	10 w, KCFA	Calaveras Insp. Station
IL W227AL-93.3*	Danville	13 w (v), WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
LA K224CO-92.7*	Lafayette	245 w (v), WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
NY W212BA-90.3*	Geneva	88 w, WEOS	The Colleges of the Seneca
PA W278AK-103.5*	Village Green	80 w, DA, WXHL	World Revivals, Inc.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AL WFOV(CP)-106.1	Chatom	requests extension of time to change to 12000 w, 473 ft, change xmtr location to 31-43-30 87-54-58, change city of license to Grove Hill, AL [97-71]
AZ KGMS-97.1	Green Valley	changes to 330 w, 2417 ft, adds DA, class C3, changes xmtr location to 31-52-37 111-12-52
AR KZLE-93.1	Batesville	increases to 984 ft, class C
CA KOQI(CP)-1200	Soquel	granted replacement of expired CP (granted with condition)
CT WADS-690	Ansonia	requests extension of time to increase to 3500 w days, DA-2
GA WQXI-790	Atlanta	increases to 28000 w days, DA-N
IL WONX-1590	Evanston	requests replacement of expired CP to increase to 3500 w nights, DA-2
KY WLLK-102.3	Somerset	increases to 6000 w
LA WBJJ(CP)-104.5	Jackson	requests extension of time
KZBL-95.9	Natchitoches	moves to 100.7 MHz
MD WETT-1590	Ocean City	granted replacement of expired CP to decrease to 230 w nights, DA-2
MA WROR-FM-105.7	Framingham	changes to 22500 w (v), 735 ft, adds DA, changes xmtr location to 42-20-50 71-04-59
MN KQEG-102.7	La Crescent	increases to 3600 w
MS WYKK-98.9	Quitman	increases to 25000 w, 315 ft, class C3
NC WXII-830	Eden	requests extension of time to increase to 10000 w nights, DA-2, change xmtr location to 36-11-58 80-12-25, change city of license to Kernersville, NC, increase to 5 towers days and nights
WTZY-880	Fairview	decreases to 350 w days, ND-D
PR WQBS-870	San Juan	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 9600 w days, DA-2, change xmtr location to 18-21-11 106-12-09 (granted with condition)
TX KBOC-96.7	Bridgeport	moves to 98.3 MHz
WA KNRK-94.7	Camas	granted replacement of expired CP to build new auxiliary facility
WI WMVM(CP)-98.7	Mayville	requests replacement of expired CP

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS (& reapplication) [docket number]

CO KGLL-96.1	Greeley	modify CP to increase to 735 ft, change xmtr location to 40-40-50 104-56-32
GA WJYF-95.3	Nashville	increase to 14500 w, class C2 [93-270]
IL WLGGM-89.7*	Springfield	increase to 10000 w, add DA, class B1 (grant rescinded and application returned to pending status)
KS KHYM(CP)-103.9*	Copeland	increase to 751 ft
KY WWYC-100.1	Winchester	change to 20000 w, 640 ft
NC WWIL-FM-90.5*	Wilmington	change xmtr location to 34-10-52 78-02-33
OH WLW-700	Cincinnati	build new auxiliary antenna
WWJM-106.3	New Lexington	one step application to move to 105.9 MHz
SC WPEK-98.1	Seneca	modify CP to increase to 997 ft, change xmtr location to 34-41-15 82-59-13
WI WHWC-88.3*	Menomonie	decrease to 71000 w, 1050 ft, DA, class C1

Returned/Dismissed Applications

TX KEWL-95.1	New Boston (R)	one step application to change to 22000 w, 472 ft, class C2, change xmtr location to 33-30-42 94-24-31
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FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

CA KIEV-870	Glendale	increase to 20000 w days, 3000 w nights, DA-2, increase to 3 towers nights
KAVS-97.7	Mojave	increase to 6000 w, 328 ft
KEAR-106.9*	San Francisco	decrease to 1000 ft, correct coordinates to 37-51-04 122-29-50

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS (cont'd)

CA KRME-97.7	Shafter	increase to 6000 w [88-375]
FL WRFB-860	Cocoa	correct coordinates to 28-21-12 80-46-45
WTPX-105.5	Jupiter	one step application to increase to class C2, 19000 w, 807 ft, add DA, change city of license to Hobe Sound, FL [96-205]
(as amended)		
IL WMBI-FM-90.1*	Chicago	build new auxiliary facility
WLDC-98.9	Dwight	change to 1300 w, 489 ft, change xmtr location to 41-02-06 88-26-10
IA KCQQ-106.5	Davenport	modify CP to decrease to 895 ft, change xmtr location to 41-37-58 90-24-38
MA WHMP-FM-99.3	Northampton	change to 5800 w, 381 ft, change xmtr location to 42-22-25 72-40-26
MN KLQP-92.1	Madison	increase to 25000 w, class C3
NY WGNV-FM-103.1	Newburgh	increase to 6000 w, 279 ft, change xmtr location to 41-28-25 74-08-22
OH WJKW(CP)-95.9	Athens	change to 5100 w, 354 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 39-13-57 82-03-54
OR KACI-1300	The Dalles	direct measurement of antenna power
SD KKLS-FM-104.7	Sioux Falls	increase to 974 ft
TN WGFX-104.5	Gallatin	change to 38000 w (circular), 1424 ft, DA
TX KAXF(CP)-88.3*	Huntsville	increase to 28000 w (v), 522 ft, class C2
VT WIKE-1490	Newport	direct measurement of antenna power
WI WMRH-1170	Waupun	direct measurement of antenna power

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

AL WENN-107.7	Birmingham	becomes # WRAX	12-1-97	"The X"
WJHO-1400	Opelika	# WANI	12-1-97	
WRAX-105.9	Trussville	WENN	12-2-97	
AZ KBBC-FM-101.1	Lake Havasu City	KRRK	11-28-97	
AR new-101.3	Ola	KARV-FM	12-5-97	
CA new-88.3*	Coalinga	KAZB	12-8-97	
new-91.9*	Crescent City	KHSR	12-8-97	
KVLI-1140	Lake Isabella	# KQAB	12-8-97	
KSXX-99.9	Marysville	# KRCX-FM	11-28-97	
CO new-98.1	Meeker	KAYW	12-8-97	
DE WDNO-95.3	Laurel	WJNE	11-28-97	"Jane"
FL WCMQ-1210	Miami Springs	# WNMA	11-25-97	
GA WPPI-1330	Carrollton	WBTR	12-8-97	
IA new-89.9*	Mount Pleasant	KAYP	12-8-97	
KY WCAK-100.7	Carlisle	# WVCM	11-26-97	
LA new-88.1*	Jena	KAYT	12-8-97	
MD new-90.7*	Ocean City	WSDL	12-8-97	
ME WMSJ-91.9*	Harpwell	WYFP		
new-89.3*	Lewiston	WMSJ		
MO KCUF-96.9	Mountain View	# KUPH	11-28-97	
NM KZKL-1580	Albuquerque	KDZZ	11-28-97	"Radio Disney"
NY new-93.7	Hague	WWFY	12-8-97	
OK new-90.3*	Ardmore	KLCU	12-8-97	
new-88.3*	Tishomingo	KAZC	12-8-97	
OR new-88.5*	Milton-Freewater	KLRF	12-8-97	
PA WGCB-1440	Red Lion	WTHM	12-5-97	
WGCB-FM-96.1	Red Lion	WTHM-FM	12-5-97	
SC WJZK-96.9	Charleston	# WSUY	12-8-97	"Sunny 96.9"
WSUY-100.5	Charleston	# WLLC	12-8-97	"Alice 100.5"
TN WJOI-107.5	Germantown	# WKSL	11-28-97	"Kiss FM"
new-89.7*	Lawrenceburg	WAWI	12-8-97	
TX KLLI-95.9	Hooks	# KTHN	12-1-97	"Thunder 95.9"
VA WVBV-1600	Chesapeake	# WCPK	11-28-97	
new-90.5*	Wise	WCVC-FM	12-8-97	
WA KCHT-980	Selah	KJOX	12-8-97	
KJOX-930	Yakima	# KGER	11-24-97	
WI WXPT-106.9	Brookfield	# WPNT	11-28-97	"The Point"

New call letters not used (station retains old call letters)

AZ KOAZ-1290	Tucson (Resc.) remains	KCUB	10-23-97
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PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AL WHMA-1390/100.5	Anniston	316 from WNNX License Investment Co. to WNNX Lico, Inc.
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PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

AL WXXR-1340/ WXXR-FM-95.5	Cullman/ Holly Pond	314 from Good Earth Broadcasting, Inc. to Mary and Clark Jones as Voice of Cullman (\$300,000; includes LMA)
WMHS-104.3	Luverne	314 from Brantley Broadcast Associates to Capital Communications (\$1,733,000; includes assumed liabilities to Southern Star, LMA and non-competitive agreement; cash at close)
WMHS-104.3	Luverne	314 from Capital Communications to Southern Star Communications, Inc. (contingent on grant to Capital Communications)
WLAY-1450/105.5/ WSHK-97.7	Muscle Shoals/ Russellville	314 from D. Mitchell South Bcstg., Inc. to U.S. South Bcstg. Company, Inc. (\$4,500,000 plus 75% of 90-day receivables and 50% of other receivables and assumed liabilities)
AR KTWN-FM-107.1	Texarkana	314 from KATQ Radio, Inc. to Gulfstar Communications, Inc.
CA KBYN-95.9	Arnold	314 from Clear Mt. Air Broadcasting Company to Golden Pegasus Financial Services, Inc.
KFFG-97.7	Los Altos	316 from Radio SF License Investment Co. to KFFG Lico, Inc.
KNBR-680	San Francisco	316 from KNBR License Investment Co. to KNBR Lico, Inc.
KVIN-1390	Turlock	314 from Silverado Broadcasting Company to Threshold Communications (\$350,000; includes LMA with KCDR)
CT WNHC-1340	New Haven	316 invol. from Willis Communications, Inc. to Willis Communications, Inc. DIP (Chapter 11)
GA WNNX-99.7	Atlanta	316 from WNNX License Investment Co. to WNNX Lico, Inc.
IL WKBM-100.7	Coal City	314 from Barden Broadcasting, Inc. to Pride Communications, LLC
WKBM-100.7	Coal City	316 from Pride Communications, LLC to Pride Radio Licensee, Inc.
WJPF-1340/ WXLT-95.1	Herrin/ Carterville	316 from Zimco, Inc. to ZRG of Illinois, Inc. (reorganization)
WJOL-1340/ WLLI-FM-96.7/WJTW-93.5	Joliet	314 from Barden Broadcasting, Inc. to Pride Communications, LLC (\$3.8 million; includes \$300,000 promissory note)
WJOL-1340/ WLLI-FM-96.7/WJTW-93.5	Joliet	316 from Pride Communications, LLC to Pride Radio Licensee, Inc.
WKOT-96.5	Marseilles	314 from Barden Broadcasting, Inc. to Pride Communications, LLC
WKOT-96.5	Marseilles	316 from Pride Communications, LLC to Pride Radio Licensee, Inc.
WSDR-1240/ WSSQ-94.3/ WZZT-95.1	Sterling/ Morrison	314 from LH&S Communications, Inc. to W. Russell Withers, Jr. (\$1.5 million; Broker is The Stonegate Group, Ltd.)
IA KIWA-1550/105.3	Sheldon	315 from Sheldon Bcstg (Norma Stangland Rep) to Sheldon Bcstg (Norma & Eider Trusts)
MN KDIO-1350/ KAHF-106.3	Ortonville	314 from Tri-State Broadcasting Co., Inc. to Success Broadcasting Corp. (\$450,000; Broker is Johnson Comms.)
MS WIZK-FM-94.3	Bay Springs	315 from Cotton Valley Bcstg. (M. Hughey) to Cotton Valley Bcstg. (Blakeney Comms.) (\$553,000 cash at close)
WMER-1390	Meridian	314 from New Life Outreach Ministries, Inc. to Michael H. Glass (\$56,000)
WZYQ-101.9	Mound Bayou	315 from WZYQ, Inc. (Stephen Tarkenton) to WZYQ, Inc. (Larry G. Fuss) (\$1.00 and release from corporate note to Larry Fuss)
MO WKBQ-1380	St. Louis	314 from Emmis 1380 AM Radio Lic. Corp. to Northside Seventh-Day Christian Church (donation)
MT KKMT(CP)-95.9	Columbia Falls	314 from Radio 2000, Inc. to Bee Broadcasting (\$337,500 cash and TBA with KBBZ, KDBR and KJJR)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

NV KVBC-FM-105.1 Las Vegas 316 from Sextant Bcstg. Co. (Proctor/Rourke)
to Compass Communications Company
(corrects previously filed transfer to reflect assignee as Compass Comms. Co.)

OH WBCO-1540/ Bucyrus 314 from Brokensword Broadcasting Co.
WQEL-92.7 to Anchor Broadcasting Company
(\$640,000; includes non-compete and consulting agreement)

WVAE-94.9 Fairfield 316 from WGH License Investment Co.
to WVAE Lico, Inc.
(merger)

OK KACO-98.5 Ardmore 314 from KRIG, Inc.
to AM & PM Communications, LLC
(\$475,000)

KNTL-104.9 Bethany 314 from Bott Communications, Inc.
to Caribou Communications Company
(\$5,250,000 cash at close; includes LMA with KTNT-FM, KYIS & KATT-FM;
Broker is Kalil & Co.)

KWCO-FM-105.5 Chickasha 314 from Martin Communications, Inc.
to Tyler Enterprises, LLC
(\$200,000; includes \$10 non-compete)

KRHD-1350/102.3 Duncan 314 from Duncan Broadcasting Company, Inc.
to Monroe-Stephens Broadcasting, Inc.
(includes KSWO, Lawton, for \$425,000 cash at close)

KGWA-960/ Enid 315 from Hammer-Williams (H. & L. Hammer)
KOFM-103.1 to Hammer-Williams (K.V. Williams Rev. Trust)
(payoff outstanding loan of \$30,250 and purchase 1000 shares for \$75,000)

KICM-93.7 Healdton 314 from Lake Country Communications, Inc.
to AM & PM Broadcasters, LLC
(\$1.65 million; Broker is Dave Garland at Media Brokerage)

KSWO-1380 Lawton 314 from Oklahoma Quality Bcstg. Co., Inc.
to Monroe-Stephens Broadcasting, Inc.

KBIX-1490 Muskogee 314 from Oklahoma Sports Properties, Inc.
to Taft Broadcasting, Inc.
(\$35,000; includes LMA)

OR KACI-1300/97.7 The Dalles 314 from Nugent Broadcasting Corp.
to Columbia Gorge Broadcasters, Inc.
(\$390,000; includes \$360,000 promissory note and 5-year non-compete)

PA WSBA-910/ York 316 from WSBA License Investment Co.
WARM-FM-103 to WSBA Lico, Inc.

SC WYNN-540/106.3 Florence 315 from Forjay Bcstg. Corp. (J. Maurer)
to Cumulus Holdings, Inc.
(\$4.1 million; includes 3-year non-compete, Broker is The Whittle Agency)

SD KPHR-104.3 Milbank 314 from Success Broadcasting Corporation
to Sorenson Broadcasting Corp.
(asset exchange for KDIO and KAHF value of \$450,000)

KIMM-1150 Rapid City 314 from Thomas E. Ingstad Bcstg., Inc.
to KIMM Radio, Inc.
(\$150,000 cash at close)

TN WMC-790/99.7 Memphis 316 from Elcom of Memphis (Hawkins et al)
to Elcom of Memphis (Hayes/Zortman)

TX KTCK-1310 Dallas 316 from KRBE License Investment Co.
to KRBE Lico, Inc.
(merger)

KRBE-FM-104.1 Houston 316 from KRBE License Investment Co.
to KRBE Lico, Inc.

TX KRQX-1590/ Mexia 316 from Groveton Bcstg Group (L. Groveton)
KYCX-FM-104.9 to Groveton Bcstg Group (M. Groveton)
(divorce property settlement)

KKYN-1090/103.9/Plainview 314 from Radio Music Box Co., LC
KVOP-1400/97.3 to Texrock Radio, Inc.
(\$817,945 cash purchase and non-compete plus \$250,000 promissory note)

KTFS-940 Texarkana 314 from KATQ Radio, Inc.
to Gulfstar Communications, Inc.
(includes KTWN-FM for \$435,000 cash at close, LMA and non-compete;
Brokers are John Bergner and Wally Tucker)

VA WHEE-1370 Martinsville 315 from Patrick Henry Bcstg. (Wood/Doss)
to Patrick Henry Bcstg. (Wyatt, et al)
(\$173,500 for stock, \$26,500 for real estate; includes \$60,000 promissory note)

WA KBRO-1490/ Bremerton/ 316 from WA Bcstg. Management Co., Inc.
KNTB-1480 Lakewood to WA Bcst. Mgmt. Co., Inc, DIP

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

WV WXEE-1340 Welch 314 from Mountaineer Bcstg. Corp.
to Council of South. Mts. WV Branch
(donation; request for expedited service--station has to be back on by Jan. 31, 1998)
WI WPRE-980/94.3 Prairie du Chien 314 from Prairie Bcstg. Co.
to Robinson Corp.
(\$500,000 cash at close includes non-compete)

Bonneville Holding filed Form 316 Transfer Applications from Corporation of the President of the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints to BHC Reserve Trust for KBIG in LA; KOIT AM & FM, KZQZ and KDFC-FM in San Francisco; WNND and WLUP-FM, in Chicago; WTMX in Skokie, IL; WXTR in Frederick, MD; WWZZ in Waldorf, MD; WWVZ in Braddock Heights, MD; WNSR in New York; KLDE in Houston and KSL in Salt Lake City.

Odyssey Communications, Inc. filed Form 316 Transfer Applications from the old Board of Directors to a new Board of Directors for KLYY, Arcadia; KSYU, Fallbrook and KVVY, Ventura in CA; WVVX, Highland Park and WJDK, Morris in IL; WWZY, Long Branch, NJ; WWXY, Briarcliff Manor, WWVY, Hampton Bays and WRKL, New City, in NY.

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

CA new Point Arena to 107.1 B1 from 102.3 B1, comments due Jan. 26,
replies Feb. 10, 1998
TX KKLY(CP) Pecos to 97.3 C1, Wink from Pecos, comments due Jan. 26,
replies Feb. 10, 1998

FM ALLOCATIONS: GRANTED AMENDMENTS

AR new Calico Rock add 97.1 A
new Saint Paul add 105.3 A
CA new Blue Lake add 106.3 A
CO new Eckley add 95.3 C1
IA new Anamosa add 95.7 A
new Asbury add 95.5 A
KS new Hutchinson add 95.9 A
LA new Franklin add 106.9 C3
MN KKJR Hutchinson to 106.9 C3 Dassel, MN from Hutchinson, MN
NV new Mesquite add 96.7 C
NY new Amherst add 92.1 A

(Windows for all of the new allocations listed above will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order.)

FM ALLOCATIONS: DISMISSED AMENDMENTS

AR new Leslie (Den.) add 97.1 C2
LA KFMV Franklin (D) to 106.9 A from 105.5 A
new White Castle (D) add 106.9 A, counterproposal
(Initially, applicant did not file original and 4 copies; he refiled but counterproposal was then dismissed as untimely)
NY new Lockport (Den.) add 92.1 A
WI new Hawthorne (Den.) add 106.5 A

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

Some things DO get easier: Many FM stations may be able to increase Effective Radiated Power as of December 1, 1997, the effective date of the Commission's MM Docket 96-58 Report and Order. For certain stations, the Commission is allowing minor changes in facilities without the prior requirement of a granted CP. Those are chiefly stations that 1) meet or exceed the minimum separation requirements of 47 CFR 73.207; and 2) are operating with ERPs less than that permitted for the class of station. Now comes the Public Notice that lays out the specifics -- and should guide licensees about whether they're eligible. The possible minor changes: replacing transmission line; replacing the antenna where the radiation center is no more than two meters above or four meters below the authorized value; changing transmitter output power; or installing or removing components from the transmission line. Also: Stations listed as contour protection stations on a newly-issued list which are fully spaced may request to delete the contour protection designation. The Commission is requiring a letter to the Audio Services Division immediately after the ERP increase, and also the filing of a Form 302-FM within 10 days of commencing operations. Another nice break: apps which modify an existing license are exempt from filing fees. M Street recommends you check out the just-issued Public Notice (DA 97-2568), and be sure to get the handy Supplement to FCC Form 302-FM that helps you determine eligibility. (It's easier than filling out an IRS Form 1040!)

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK (cont'd)

The Commission is still policing violations of its EEO guidelines, and trips up Springer Broadcasting-owned KTAM/KORA-FM, Bryan, TX for a \$7,000 forfeiture as part of its license renewal. The folks at 1919 M Street did buy the licensee's argument that sister KHLR-FM, Cameron, TX was operated independently from KTAM/KORA-FM, is licensed to a different community, and was operating with fewer than five employees. That exempts it from the same guidelines that KTAM/KORA-FM must meet. The Commission found that minorities were "absent from a significant number" of those stations' applicant and interview pools, and that they kept using the same "virtually unproductive" sources year after year. Thus, the \$7,000 NAL and reporting conditions. (FCC 97-405)

Bankruptcy and the "failed station" rule helped KSGI-TV, Cedar City, UT owner Seagull Communications win a permanent waiver of the one-to-a-market rule to own a couple of radio stations in the same area. Seagull filed an application to acquire then-silent KSGI (AM), St. George, UT out of bankruptcy back on October 20, 1993, and returned it to the air on February 1, 1994. The other radio station involved is adult standards KZEE, St. George. M Street notes that KSGI (AM) is now doing news/talk/sports. (MM&O adopted December 5, 1997)

"Chief Technologist" sounds like a job description right out of Star Trek, but it's an important policy position at the FCC. New FCC Chairman Bill Kennard makes another key policy-position hire and lures Dale Hatfield back to the Commission after 15 years in the private sector and academia. The new Chief Technologist will hang his hat in the Office of Plans and Policy. Prior to starting his own consulting business in Boulder, CO in 1982, Hatfield had very strong government credentials: He served in several high-level positions in the NTIA, was Chief of the Office of Plans and Policy at the FCC and did policy work for the White House.

Between them, Joseph Stirmer and Edward Luton have served more than 40 years as administrative law judges at the FCC -- and now both are retiring, effective January 2, 1998. Stirmer is currently Chief Administrative Law Judge at the Commission; before attaining that height, he'd been an ALJ and trial attorney, dating back to his initial hiring at the Broadcast Bureau in 1962. Edward Luton has been an ALJ at the Commission since 1979, and also heard cases for the Customs Service and Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms.

Steven King is not only a scary (and prolific) author, he's also been an enthusiastic station owner in his home state of Maine. But it's finally the end of the road for "The Zone Corp"-owned WNSW, Brewer, ME: After a couple of years of activity in various FCC in-boxes (canceled license renewal 12/5/95, cancellation rescinded 1/17/96, license canceled again pursuant to the Telecom Act 12/9/97), the station is silent (and has been for over a year). And the license of the 1200 KHz facility has apparently been given back. Zone Corp. still owns and operates rock WKIT-FM, Brewer and sports WZON, Bangor -- and it's no surprise that King would want to own a sports/rock combo.

ELSEWHERE

Is it a quake? Sacramento radio listeners will know something is shaking up the FM dial early next year, with format changes involving four different frequencies. And once again, the Department of Justice plays a role and forces an adjustment in merger plans. The DOJ was concerned about the number of full class B stations to be owned by American Radio Systems (soon to be CBS). So ARS and Entercom are exchanging frequencies (and formats), with ARS moving its country oldies "KRAK" format from 98.5 MHz to the 93.7 MHz slot currently occupied by Entercom rocker KRXQ. The 98.5 frequency is a full Class B; 93.7 is a B1. That simultaneous swap of formats and frequencies should occur during the first quarter of 1998. The other two Sacramento frequencies that will see changes involve some of the same players: ARS is selling the intellectual property of its smooth jazz KSSJ to Entercom, which will move it from its current home at 101.9 MHz to Entercom's new 94.7 MHz position -- the one that's moving in from Carson City, NV and is currently known as KBYA. Meanwhile, back at 101.9 MHz, ARS is trading that frequency to EXCL Communications as part of a larger deal involving a three-way swap in the South Bay area around San Jose.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

Justice forces a change in Capstar's plans to acquire the 36-station Patterson group for \$215 million: It saw enough competitive problems in the Allentown market to make Capstar spin two stations out of the deal and sell them to Clear Channel. Those stations are country WEEX (AM), Easton, PA and oldies WODE-FM, Easton. Capstar is getting (and will retain) three other stations there: talk WAEB, Allentown; CHR WAEB-FM, Allentown; and rock WZZO, Bethlehem. Since the signing of the Patterson contract, Capstar has also agreed to buy standards WKAP, Allentown. The other heavy-duty player in the market is Citadel, which owns country WCTO, Easton; standards WEST, Easton; and soft AC WLEV, Allentown.

For \$23 million, Cox adds heritage oldies combo KONO/KONO-FM to its already sizable cluster in San Antonio, to give it the full complement of five FMs and three AMs. Here's the latest deal, done with April/October Broadcasting: Cox will acquire (and keep) KONO (AM), San Antonio and KONO-FM, Helotes, TX. It's also getting an option to purchase KONO/KONO-FM sister station KRIO-FM, Floresville, TX -- but will spin that Tejano-formatted station either through a sale or swap. Cox Radio head Bob Neil calls San Antonio a "high-growth Sunbelt market", and here's what he already runs there: country KCYY, San Antonio; rock KISS-FM, San Antonio; jazz KCJZ, Terrell Hills; adult hits KSMG, Seguin; plus AMs KKYX, San Antonio (country oldies) and "Loop" KLUP, Terrell Hills (standards).

Regent Communications is bullish on Bullhead City, AZ, and that whole corner of Arizona, apparently: Terry Jacobs and Bill Stakelin are paying Continental Radio Broadcasting \$3,550,000 for country/talk KFLG, Bullhead City and country KFLG-FM, Bullhead City. Regent's already got a presence in that fast-growing area with news/talk KAAA and AC KZZZ, both licensed to Kingman. Star Media Group's Peter Handy brokered the "K-Flag" deal.

Combing up in Beaumont: KTCX, Beaumont owner Pacific Broadcasting of Beaumont is buying crosstown KAHX, Ingleside from BK Radio for \$450,000. KTCX is an urban AC at 102.5 MHz; KAHX is a dance CHR at 107.3 MHz. Broker on the sale: Norman Fischer & Associates of Austin.

Emmis donates to the church -- it's donating its lone AM in the St. Louis market to the Northside Seventh Day Adventist Church, in an application just accepted for filing at the Commission. The facility is the St. Louis-licensed 1380 KHz now called WKBQ, and currently simulcasting Emmis-owned country WKKX, Granite City, IL. Emmis leaves itself with three FMs in St. Louis: Rock KSHE, Crestwood, MO; modern AC "Alice" WALC, Jerseyville, IL; and WKKX.

Jeff Smulyan is predicting "some major surprises" in 1998 for his Emmis Broadcasting. Emmis has been sitting tight through most of the past two years' buying frenzy, but Smulyan told last week's PaineWebber media conference that Emmis is now ready to expand. Dow Jones reports he's talking about building assets in current Emmis markets (like New York, Indianapolis and St. Louis), but also might venture into television or put even more attention on overseas broadcasting. Smulyan also has a prediction about the broader industry: "If people don't make their numbers there will be some selling and shifting of assets...being good at running radio stations is different than running 150 of them."

CBS Radio -- about to digest the American Radio Systems group -- is hungry for still more acquisitions. Meanwhile, the squeeze will be on for 1998 (as if anybody doubted that Mel Karmazin would continue to try to impress shareholders of the new "CBS, Inc." CBS Chief Financial Officer Fred Reynolds told the PaineWebber conference that he expects cash flow to grow 20% in both 1997 and 1998. The CBS Radio division has been the shining star of the whole company in terms of profitability, and the pressure certainly won't diminish. CBS also told the audience that it be looking at buying additional radio properties in markets like Seattle, Las Vegas, San Antonio and Austin -- all markets that are new to CBS, courtesy of the ARS merger. M Street continues to hear that about 20 stations will have to be spun out of the combined CBS/ARS group, for various reasons.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

Early Warning Signs of audience declines for radio? A brand-new issue of "Duncan's Radio Comments" builds on the four-year decline in Average Persons Rating to spotlight five reasons that radio may be making some trouble for itself: #1, "Less money being spent on marketing and promotion", to make the immediate bottom line look fatter. #2, "Some listeners may have gone away [from the universe of radio listeners] because we took their favorite station away"...like classical, easy listening and even soft AC. #3, A "disturbing trend away from 'localness.'" #4, "Program segmentation has gone a little too far." And #5, "Increased commercial loads" -- no explanation necessary. Duncan analysts J.T. Anderton and Thom Moon say that none of the five issues is at the crisis point -- but they're worth discussion right now. One other finding from the Duncan's study of the continuous measurement markets: FM's share of radio listening continues to grow, mostly because AM listening declined. M Street wonders if that's linked to Duncan's finding that News/Talk continues to lose listening.

Ready for "Digital Shortwave"? Kind of a startling idea, but it could produce radically better quality and cheaper operating costs for shortwave. The European Eureka consortium launched "Project 1559" about a year ago, and there have already been successful simulcast tests in France (by Thomson) and Germany (by Telekom-Telefunken-Multicast). Digital Modulation -- or "DM" -- could fix the scratchy reception associated with shortwave radio for decades, and also holds out the promise of running at lower power (and thus more cheaply). There's also a bonus, with the possibility of digital transmission of data and pictures along with audio. The Digital Radio Mondiale (DRM) is working on standard-setting right now, and that would ideally include simulcast of analog and digital, multimedia, and a possible extension of Digital Modulation to medium wave and long wave radio. Eureka is the same group that produced the "147" DAB system -- the one that the U.S. is NOT adopting, as it pursues an in-band, on-channel solution for DAB.

Public Radio International is getting a nice check in the mail -- a new \$1.5 million grant from the Lila Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund, to be directed toward cultural programming aimed at younger audiences. That pushes PRI's New Century Campaign for Program Development up to \$18 million -- with a goal of \$25 million. PRI is ramping up four new cultural programs: "Hot Ticket"; "Professor Pete's Path to Musical Mastery"; "Sound & Spirit"; and "Cultural Reports."

Morning Man Buys Station: It's just the kind of move maverick entrepreneur Richard Branson WOULD make, selling his Virgin Radio to flamboyant radio and TV personality -- and current "breakfast host" -- Chris Evans. What Branson DIDN'T do was sell the station to rival Capital Radio, which said it was "surprised and disappointed" at Branson's choice. Media ownership concentration may have also played a role: British radio observers say the government was investigating the Capital Radio bid on anti-competitive grounds. More radio news from across the pond: the BBC has adopted new guidelines to make itself more accountable to the public. The service is supported by a mandatory fee paid by all set owners, and it's looking a new competition from digital TV as soon as 1998.

Stunts gone bad: In Albany, the target of a morning show's "Ugliest Bride" bit gets new life in court, as the Appellate Division of the New York State Supreme Court agrees with a lower court that she can sue the morning team. Mason and Sheehan were doing mornings at WPYX, Albany when they picked Annette Esposito-Hilder's wedding photo out of the paper, and crowned her as the Ugliest Bride. The appeals court ruled just before Thanksgiving that she can pursue her lawsuit for defamation. And a stunt-gone-bad in Minneapolis/St. Paul has cost KQRS, Golden Valley morning show member "Cabe" his job. Cabe -- real name Lee Mroszak -- took part in an on-air hoax that suggested Green Bay Packers QB Brett Favre was spending time in a local hotel room with a woman who was not his wife. ABC-owned rocker KQRS issued apologies to Favre, his family and hotel owner Marriott. Mroszak wasn't in the apology business, according to the Minneapolis Star-Tribune: "The way I see it, he probably really was doing it."

Programmers (mostly) loved the idea...but at least some members of the Arbitron Advisory Council loathed it. So monthly ratings won't happen, at least for the foreseeable future. Programmers thought it was no big deal, since most already do their own extrapolations and produce what amount to monthly ratings. But the Council and some at the RAB fear the more-frequent scorecard could be another tool for advertisers and agencies to use against radio. So -- no monthly ratings. M Street notes that the Canadian BBM is still evaluating the idea; our story last week about the postal strike-delayed Fall book covered the BBM's experiment with monthlies in Montreal.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

Who's spending in the fourth quarter? Interep says the really important question is, which segments are spending -- because some categories do more than 50% of their total-year ad buying in fourth quarter. Interep speculates that's because some clients use radio's immediacy to "drive in-store traffic, reach customers in-car during shopping expeditions and deliver additional weight during the cluttered holiday advertising frenzy." Some key categories: Toys/Games/Hobbies did 62% of their 1996 spending in the fourth quarter. "Grown-up Toys" like computers spent nearly 40% of their annual total last year in October/November/December. And the "Practical Gifts" category (toasters, etc.) did 56% in the fourth quarter last year. And, no surprise that "Wine" advertisers concentrated 56% of their budget in fourth quarter. The staple of many stations' fourth-quarter budgets -- "Department Stores" -- averaged 36% of their spending around year-end. On average, the fourth quarter is responsible for 28.6% of all spending -- but the point is to identify the big spenders early and try to capture their budget.

Just elected to the Arbitron Advisory Council: Nationwide's Dave Robbins for CHR; Susquehanna/Dallas executive Dan Halyburton for country; American Radio Systems' David Pearlman for MOR; and former Council Chair and longtime KGO, San Francisco GM Mickey Luckoff, back in the News/Talk chair. WISN, Milwaukee's Chuck DuCoty is the new Council Chairman; WLAD, Danbury's Irv Goldstein is Vice Chair.

Crystal ball time: Widely-watched ad guru Bob Coen is predicting a 6.5% growth rate in 1998 for both national and local radio advertising. That would put radio's share of national ad revenue at \$3.1 billion. Check the McCann-Erickson executive's predictions for media outside the U.S. -- He thinks spending in all media will jump 22% in Mexico, 20% in Poland and 18% in China.

What Andy Warhol SHOULD have said was that in the future, everyone will have their own talk show -- even if it's on the Internet. Now CompuServe announces that it's getting into the (Internet) talkradio business with the new "CompuServe Interactive Radio", which begins life as a Monday evening show hosted by Eliot Stein. CompuServe promises that "Stein Online" is just the first of its Internet talk offerings. M Street reminds you that in the future, you won't have to be sitting at home in front of a wired computer to listen to "radio" -- IBM's new Internet car is capable of picking up the Internet from a tiny satellite dish.

M STREET BAZAAR. . . PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

Is there a market for a five-hour country show live from Music Row in Nashville -- for Monday through Friday evenings? Jones Radio Networks says its research project came back showing "strong desire for this type of show", and it's launching just that kind of shown in first quarter 1998. The still-unnamed show also doesn't have a host announced yet, but Jones promises it'll be a "nationally-known" personality. Jones programming VP Phil Barry and GM Eric Hauenstein figure they'll capitalize on their proximity to the Nashville scene to feature lots of live interviews and live performances. (M Street notes that country WSIX, Nashville has plenty of success using the same concept.) The new Jones show will be fed from 7 p.m. to midnight in all time zones, and will be produced in conjunction with Nashville's Jim Owens and Associates.

Mega-dittos? Love him or hate him, Rush Limbaugh has certainly done a lot for radio -- particularly AM radio. That's why the NAB selects the Excellence In Broadcasting star for induction into the Broadcasting Hall of Fame. Rush will be honored at the Radio Luncheon of the NAB's Spring Convention in Las Vegas, on Tuesday, April 7.

Rock stations have employed the "A to Z" gimmick for years, and now ABC's "Radio Disney" is adopting the promotion, for the next 26 days. Samples: "A is for Action Figure" day, "B" is for -- who else? -- Barbie. Grand prize winner gets a 1998 Chevy Cavalier filled with 26 "A to Z" prizes. Only difference -- a probable Radio Disney winner WON'T get to drive away with the car. Radio Disney is now airing in 13 markets.

Party on: Westwood's Adult Rock 24-hour network is doing its first-ever special for New Year's Eve, live from Disneyland, starting at 7 p.m. Eastern time. Jeff Gonzer and Steve Lewis will co-host the six-hour special that includes a New Year's countdown. Other holiday programming from Westwood includes the Sawyer Brown-hosted "Christmas Around The Country"...and "Country's Inside Trak", with R&R's Lon Helton talking with country stars about their special holiday reminiscences. Helton also has Garth Brooks co-hosting "Country Countdown USA" for two weekends.

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Think you always have to hit the "AM" button when you want News or Talk? Think again: It's true that 1,073 AM stations run the format; but so do 494 FM stations, making it the third-leading format on FM. (Most of that growth is due to public stations and programming like "Morning Edition" and "ATC.") The AM band does tend to be the home of older-leaning formats, from Adult Standards to Oldies and Sports. But it's also got nearly 100% of the Pre-teen stations. M Street notes the exceptional growth of Sports stations -- from 153 the previous year (3.3% of stations) to 212 (4.5%). This edition of the M Street "Format Counts" is the first to recognize the emerging "Modern AC" and "Classic Hits" categories.

M Street format counts for AM & FM stations

Counts as of November 1997

Primary Format			AM	%	Primary Format			FM	%
1	News, Talk		1,073	22.6%	1	Country	1,632	21.6%	
2	Country		873	18.4%	2	Adult Contemporary	690	9.1%	
3	Adult Standards		476	10.0%	3	News, Talk	494	6.5%	
4	Religion (Teaching, Variety)		360	7.6%	4	Oldies	466	6.2%	
5	Spanish		303	6.4%	5	Top-40 (CHR)	390	5.2%	
6	Oldies		294	6.2%	6	Religion (Teaching, Variety)	379	5.0%	
7	Adult Contemporary		227	4.8%	7	Variety	372	4.9%	
8	Sports		212	4.5%	8	Alternative Rock	359	4.7%	
9	Southern Gospel		203	4.3%	9	Contemporary Christian	322	4.3%	
10	Black Gospel		185	3.9%	10	Soft Adult Contemporary	277	3.7%	
11	Soft Adult Contemporary		72	1.5%	11	Rock	256	3.4%	
12	Contemporary Christian		67	1.4%	12	Adult Hits, Hot AC	249	3.3%	
13	Ethnic		61	1.3%	13	Classic Rock	232	3.1%	
14	Variety		54	1.1%	14	Spanish	213	2.8%	
15	Urban, R&B		45	0.9%	15	Classic Hits	169	2.2%	
16	Urban AC		39	0.8%	16	Classical, Fine Arts	154	2.0%	
17	Pre-Teen		39	0.8%	17	Urban, R&B	151	2.0%	
18	Gospel		34	0.7%	18	Jazz	150	2.0%	
19	R&B Oldies		33	0.7%	19	New Rock, Modern Rock	133	1.8%	
20	Rock		16	0.3%	20	Urban AC	95	1.3%	
21	Adult Hits, Hot AC		13	0.3%	21	Adult Standards	82	1.1%	
22	Easy Listening		13	0.3%	22	Southern Gospel	82	1.1%	
23	Top-40 (CHR)		11	0.2%	23	Modern AC	69	0.9%	
24	Jazz		11	0.2%	24	Easy Listening	44	0.6%	
25	Classic Rock		10	0.2%	25	Black Gospel	33	0.4%	
26	Alternative Rock		7	0.1%	26	Gospel	26	0.3%	
27	Classical, Fine Arts		7	0.1%	27	Ethnic	21	0.3%	
28	Classic Hits		4	0.1%	28	R&B Oldies	13	0.2%	
29	New Rock, Modern Rock		4	0.1%	29	Sports	8	0.1%	
30	Modern AC		1	0.0%	30	Pre-Teen	1	0.0%	
	not available or changing		0	0.0%		not available or changing	4	0.1%	
	Total operating stations		4,747	100%		Total operating stations	7,566	100%	
	Silent		116			Silent	53		
	Construction Permits		44			Construction Permits	439		

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TWO-TO-ONE ODDS THIS GOES ALL THE WAY. . . . Another federal judge has ruled that the FCC rules restricting casino advertising are unconstitutional and a violation of free speech. The action comes out of Camden, NJ, where U.S. District Judge Joseph Rodriguez rules in favor of a group led by Players International. As the Philadelphia Inquirer reports it, they claim that the Commission rules discriminate against them, since there are exemptions for Native American casino gaming, state lotteries and even fishing contests. Current rules forbid casinos from actually using the sounds or video of gaming. In New Jersey and Pennsylvania, near Atlantic City, that has led to ads touting spacious parking lots and marquee entertainers, since casinos can't mention the business they are actually engaged in. M Street hears that some Philadelphia stations were approached to run "real" casino ads the very day the judge's decision became public -- but it's not effective immediately. So far, most of the legal action against the FCC casino regulations has been out of Nevada and the federal appeals court in San Francisco. The NAB, for one, vows to keep fighting all the way to the Supreme Court.

JUSTICE RIDES AGAIN. . . . Suddenly, the Anti-trust posse at the Department of Justice is visible again, and this time they're taking hard looks at Citadel's arrangements in a couple of markets, plus a proposed acquisition by Baltimore-based Sinclair. In Wilkes-Barre/Scranton, Citadel already runs the cluster that includes talk/sports WARM, Scranton and AC WMGS, Wilkes-Barre. Justice is looking into whether Citadel should get approval to buy three more in northeast Pennsylvania: oldies simulcast WDLs, Dallas and WSGD-FM, Carbondale, plus country WCDL (AM), Carbondale. (M Street notes that Citadel is already running all three under an LMA.) The Scranton Times also reports that Justice is poking into Sinclair's planned purchase of WKXP, Benton, PA -- a station that's also in an LMA with the proposed acquirer. Out in Colorado Springs, Justice is checking out Citadel's joint sales agreement with Triathlon. Citadel owns three stations there: classic rock KKFM, Colorado Springs; soft AC KCLI, Widefield, CO; and dance KKMG, Pueblo. Triathlon is the licensee of four facilities: oldies KSPZ, news/talk KVOR, standards KTWK (all Colorado Springs), and adult CHR KVUU, Pueblo. Duncan's American Radio estimates the two entities claimed more than 57% of the market's 1996 revenues.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		<u>formerly</u>	<u>becomes</u>
AZ Miami	KIKO-1340	soft AC & WW1 - CW	soft AC & WW1 - oldies
	(KIKO airs WW1 oldies nights)		
Sierra Vista	KLTW-1420	contemp. Christian	KTAN, talk & sports
AR Morrilton	KVOM-800	country // FM	soft AC
Mountain Home	KTLO-1240	country & talk	drops talk
CA Grover City (S.L.O)	KIXT-FM-107.3	# country	silent
	(KIXT-FM is now a combo with KSLY-FM, KSTT-FM & KXFM, plans to be back on in late January with a new format)		
Oakland (San Fran.)	KDIA-1310	# R & B oldies	Disney - children's
	(KDIA becomes a combo with talk KGO and KSFO)		
Willows	KIQS-1560	country	adds BCN - country
CO Dillon (Breck./Vail)	KHTH-1130	country	oldies
Kremmling	KRKM-106.3	country & talk	classic hits & talk
FL Key West	WKWF-1600	sports	adds One-on-One sports
Miami	WIOD-610	talk	news & talk (Dec. 29)

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FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES (cont'd)

FL Miami	WINZ-940	news & talk	drops news (Dec. 29)
	(WINZ and WIOD swap programming)		
KS Dodge City	KDGB-93.9	new	classic rock "Ralph"
MA Boston	WNRB-1510	# variety	One-on-One - sports
	(Sale of WNRB closes to One-on-One Sports Stations)		
MS Clarksdale	WKDJ-96.5	country	adds WW1 - country
NE Sidney	KSID-FM-98.7	AC/cis rock & talk	drops Rush Limbaugh
Sidney	KSID-1340	oldies & country	adds Rush Limbaugh
York	KAWL-1370	country & talk	drops talk
NJ Bridgewater	WBRW-1170	adult contemporary	One-on-One - sports
NY Port Jervis (Midltn.)	WDLC-1490	country ..	oldies
NC Durham	WTIK-1310	religion	Spanish religion (12n-8p)
ND Williston	KYYZ-96.1	oldies	country
OH Piketon	WXZQ-100.1	new	MCI - CHR
OK Bethany (Okla. City)	KNTL-104.9	# religion	jazz // KTNT-FM
	(KNTL-FM is a combo with jazz KTNT-FM, rock KATT-FM, & modern AC KYIS)		
OR Hermiston (Pendleton)	KQFM-99.3	adult contemporary	oldies
SC Clemson (Greenville)	WCCP-FM-104.9	classic hits	One-on-One - sports
Clemson (Greenville)	WAHT-1560	talk	oldies
TN Dickson (Nashville)	WYYB-93.7	adult alt. // WRLT	adds Americana (4p-7p)
Mount Juliet (Nash.)	WNPL-106.7	new	to be urban AC (Jan.)
	(WNPL is in a combo with urban WQQK and R & B oldies WVOL)		
TX Bishop(Corpus Christi)	KFLZ-106.9	regional Mexican	One-on-One - sports
Houston	KILT-610	sports	adds One-on-One-sports
VA Narrows (Blacksburg)	WNRV-990	# country // WRIQ	country // WPSK-FM
	(WNRV, WRIQ, WBNK, WFNR, WRAD are now a combo with WPSK-FM, WNNI and WVMJ)		
Pulaski (Blacksburg)	WPSK-FM-107.1	# country	adds JRN - country
	("Eagle Country" becomes "Kool Country")		
Radford (Blacksburg)	WRIQ-101.7	# country	soft AC "Easy 101"

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)

		(+ competes with existing application)	
AZ 89.9*	Scottsdale	no facils given	Christ Today Evang. Assoc.
AR 90.7*+	Fort Smith	20000 w, 2036 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
CA 90.7*	Coalinga	1000 w (v), 1197 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
88.5*	Hanford	2000 w, 328 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
90.7*	Lompoc	1h/560v w, 666 ft	CSN International
89.1*	West Point	400 w, 800 ft	WAY-FM Media Group, Inc.
CO 89.9*	La Junta	717 w, 246 ft	The Colorado College
90.9*	Rye	100000 w, 508 ft, DA	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
103.7+	Silverton	5000 w, 1460 ft	Idaho Bcstg. Consortium
103.7+	Silverton	6000 w, 741 ft	R. Stephen Hicks
FL 89.5*	Lockhart	200 w, 220 ft, DA	Compassionate Friends Ed. Net.
IN 90.7*	Lafayette	no facils given	Hymn Time, Inc.
IA 107.1+	Vinton	4600 w, 364 ft	NI Acquisition Corp.
107.1+	Vinton	class A	Second Generation of Iowa
KS 89.7*	Elwood	2600 w, 295 ft	American Family Association
MI 88.1*	Monroe	10000 w(v), 246ft, DA	Northland Community Bcstrs.
MO 89.7*	Country Club	3200 w, 288 ft	Community Broadcasting, Inc.
NM 1340	Taos	1000/1000, ND	Richard Garcia/Darren Cordova
NC 88.9*	Manteo	50000 w, 1371 ft	Univ. of NC/Chapel Hill
OH 90.7*	Norwalk	2000 w, 351 ft, DA	Cleveland Public Radio, Inc.
UT 90.5*	Logan	300 w, 1246 ft, DA	Listeners Community Radio/Utah
101.5+	Oakley	100000 w, 981 ft	Ramsey Leasing, Inc.
101.5+	Oakley	64000 w, 1184 ft	Simmons Family, Inc.

Returned/Dismissed Applications

GA 100.1+	Talking Rock (D)	Carmen Trevitt
100.1+	Talking Rock (D)	Jericho Comms.
MN 95.5+	Bemidji (D)	Harbor Broadcasting
95.5+	Bemidji (D)	Robert J. Ramstorf
95.5+	Bemidji (D)	Shoreline Comms., Inc.
MO 95.3	Owensville (D)	Kenneth W. Kuezie
MT 98.1+	Hamilton (D)	Benedict Comms., Inc.
98.1+	Hamilton (D)	Bitterroot Valley Bcstg., Inc.
98.1+	Hamilton (D)	Montoya Bcstg. Co.
98.1+	Hamilton (D)	Ravalli County Broadcasters
TX 101.7	Hebronville (Resc.)	La Nueva Cadena Radio Luz, Inc.

NEW STATIONS: ACCEPTED FOR FILING

AL 89.3*	Georgiana	12-8-97	American Family Association
AR 99.5	Batesville	12-8-97	W R D Entertainment, Inc.
89.7*	Heber Springs	12-8-97	American Family Association
CA 91.7*	Lamont	12-8-97	Educational Media Foundation
IN 90.3*	Columbus	12-8-97	Good Samaritan Educ. Radio
IA 88.5*	Mason City	12-8-97	American Family Association
LA 89.1*	De Quincy	12-8-97	American Family Association
91.1*	Norco	12-8-97	American Family Association
MT 88.7*	Kalispell	12-8-97	Stockton Christian Life College
88.3*	Missoula	12-8-97	Moody Bible Inst. of Chicago
NH 88.3*+	Nashua	12-8-97	Knowledge for life
88.3*+	Nashua	12-8-97	New Hampshire Public Radio
88.1*	Peterborough	12-8-97	Northeastern Educ. Radio Fell.
NY 88.1*	Eagle Bridge	12-8-97	Northeast Gospel Bcstg., Inc.
90.5*	Fenner	12-8-97	Syracuse Community Radio
PA 88.7*	York	12-8-97	Spanish American Civic Assoc.
SC 94.1	Cross Hill	12-8-97	SE Bcstg. Associates, Inc.
SD 90.1*	Sioux Falls	12-8-97	American Family Association
TN 88.3*	Brownsville	12-8-97	Haywood County Board of Educ.
91.5*	Portland	12-8-97	Nashville Chamber of Commerce
88.1*	Savannah	12-8-97	American Family Association
TX 90.1*	Midland	12-8-97	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
VA 88.1*+	Ashland	12-8-97	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
88.1*	Richmond	12-8-97	American Family Association
WY 90.5	Buffalo	12-8-97	University of Wyoming

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

GA 100.1	Talking Rock	# 3500 w, 426 ft	Charles A. McClure
KS 97.9	Colby	100000 w, 712 ft	Melia Communications, Inc.
MN 95.5	Bemidji	# 100000 w, 528 ft	Paul Bunyan Broadcasting Co.
MS 91.9*	Burnsville	18000 w, 676 ft	Southern Cultural Foundation
MO 95.3	Owensville	# 3600 w, 426 ft	Robert B. Mahaffey
MT 98.1	Hamilton	# 13500 w, 426 ft	Sunbrook Communications, Inc.
NC 94.5	Hatteras	100000 w, 981 ft, DA	Ray-D-O-Biz, Inc.
OH 91.7*	Zanesville	6000 w, 276 ft, DA	Riverside Youth & Rehab.
PA 89.5*	Franklin	1000 w, 315 ft	American Family Association
TX 88.7*	Kerrville	1000 w, 341 ft	American Family Association
WA 88.9*	Ellensburg	2000 w, -472 ft	Lifetalk Broadcasting Assoc.
WV 88.1*	Point Pleasant	3000 w, 289 ft, DA	Positive Alternative Radio

(The grants for the stations marked with a "#", were actually listed as accepted for filing. We believe a settlement agreement among competing applicants has been approved for each.)

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

CA new-99.1*	Westlake Village	KTLW	Living Way Ministries
MO new-89.7*	St. Joseph	KSIV-FM	Community Bcstg., Inc.
NM new-91.1*	Albuquerque	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evang.
OR new-91.1*	Eagle Point	KSOR	St. of Oregon, Bd Educ.
new-97.7	Klamath Falls	KRAT	George J. Wade
new-89.7*	Lincoln	KSMF	St. of Oregon, Bd Educ.
SC new-91.7*	Bluffton	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: GRANTS

IN W211AW-90.1*	Evansville	20 w (v), DA, WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
W217AS-91.3*	Terre Haute	10 w (v), DA, WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
IA K205CZ-88.9*	Marshalltown	250 w, WYFG	Bible Bcstg. Network
MS K226AJ-93.1	Iuka	19 w, WMXX-FM	Power Valley Comms., Inc.
NY W209AZ-89.7*	Kenne	10 w (h), DA, WSLI	The St. Lawrence Univ.
OK K221DU-92.1*	Enid	170 w (v), WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
TX K217CU-91.3*	Amarillo	25 w (v), DA, WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.
K218CM-91.5*	Kermit	50 w, WAFR	American Family Assoc.
WI W239AD-95.7*	Oshkosh	38 w, WPPF	Fam. Ed. Bcstg/Door Cnty.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AL WGCX(CP)-95.7	East Brewton	requests extension of time
(CP)-96.7	Pine Hill	requests extension of time
AZ KGME-1360	Glendale	granted extension of time to increase to 50000 w days, DA-N
AR KMZX-106.3	Lonoke	granted extension of time to increase to 50000 w, 492 ft, class C2, change xmtr location to 34-36-06 91-51-40

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

CA KAKX(CP)-89.3*	Mendocino	requests extension of time
KMRJ(CP)-99.5	Rancho Mirage	requests extension of time
FL WLPJ-91.5*	New Port Richey	increases to 22000 w, 230 ft, adds DA, class C3
WTMP-1150	Temple Terrace	requests replacement of expired CP to change xmtr location to 28-00-42 82-29-53
GA WKZZ(CP)-92.5	Douglas	requests extension of time
IL WNIE(CP)-89.1*	Freeport	granted replacement of expired CP
WNIW(CP)-91.3*	La Salle	granted replacement of expired CP
WRIK-FM-98.3	Metropolis	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 100000 w, 699 ft, class C1, change xmtr location to 36-45-09 88-29-58
WNIQ(CP)-91.5*	Sterling	granted replacement of expired CP
IA KMAQ-FM-95.3	Maquoketa	granted extension of time to move to 95.1 MHz, increase to 6000 w
KIYX(CP)-106.1	Sageville	requests extension of time
KS KFIX(CP)-96.7	Plainville	requests extension of time
KY WOKE(CP)-98.3	Garrison	requests extension of time
LA KKAY-FM-104.9	Donaldsonville	granted extension of time to increase to 6000 w, 328 ft
ME (CP)-105.5	Islesboro	requests extension of time
MN WXXZ(CP)-95.3	Grand Marais	granted replacement of expired CP
MS WJSJ-97.3	Sumrall	license to cover for new station
NJ WMGM-103.7	Atlantic City	changes xmtr location to 39-23-24 74-30-45
WAQB(CP)-105.7	Manahawkin	granted extension of time
ND KACL-98.7	Bismarck	granted replacement of expired CP to decrease to 830 ft
OR KULU(CP)-98.9	Seaside	requests extension of time
PR WAHQ-107.7	Carolina	requests extension of time to change to 12000 w, 2758 ft, change xmtr location to 18-18-36 65-47-41
WZNA-1040	Moca	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 5000 w days, DA-D, change xmtr location to 18-16-38 67-10-01, increase to 2 towers days
TN WCLC-FM-105.1	Jamestown	requests extension of time to change to 2850 w, 476 ft, change xmtr location to 36-18-47 84-54-39
TX KHDY(CP)-106.9	Plainview	granted extension of time
VT WADT(CP)-101.9	Brandon	granted extension of time
VA WKNV(CP)-890	Fairlawn	requests extension of time
VI (CP)-93.1*	Charlotte Amalie	requests extension of time
WA KULE-FM-95.9	Ephrata	requests extension of time to move to 92.3 C2, change to 20000 w, 394 ft, change xmtr location to 47-19-13 119-34-22
WV WJLS-560	Beckley	requests extension of time to decrease to 4500 w days, 470 w nights, DA-N, change xmtr location to 37-45-29 81-11-01

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS

AZ KRRK-101.1	Lake Havasu City	(& reapplication) [docket number] one step application to increase to class C1, 7100 w, 2706 ft, change xmtr location to 34-33-06 114-11-37
AR KSUD-730	West Memphis	increase to 1000 w days, 267 w nights, DA-2, increase to 2 towers days
CA KLAC-570	Los Angeles	increase to 50000 w days and nights, DA-2, change xmtr location to 34-06-50 117-59-51, increase to 4 towers days and nights
ID KEFX-88.9*	Twin Falls	increase to 7400 w, 994 ft
KY WCYO-106.1	Irvine	move to 100.7 C3, increase to 9200 w, 505 ft, change xmtr location to 37-39-40 84-08-55
LA KAPM-91.7*	Alexandria	increase to 279 ft
KZBL-95.9	Natchitoches	one step application to move to 100.7 C3, increase to 25000 w, 246 ft, change xmtr location to 31-48-17 93-01-27 [96-241]
MI WSNL-600	Flint	decrease to 235 w nights, DA-2
WLGH-88.1*	Leroy Township	increase to 25000 w (v), add DA, class B1
MO KJAB-90.1*	Mexico	move to 88.3 MHz, increase to 6000 w, change xmtr location to 39-10-24 91-53-22
NE KUCV-90.9*	Lincoln	move to 91.1 MHz, increase to 20000 w
KEZO-FM-92.3	Omaha	decrease to 1197 ft

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

NC WZRU-88.5*	Roanoke Rapids	increase to 35000 w (h)
OH WTVN-610	Columbus	increase to 50000 w nights, DA-N, change xmtr location to 39-34-37 82-53-14, increase to 8 towers nights
PA WAQM-104.5	Cambridge Springs	change to 2550 w, 512 ft, change xmtr location to 41-42-10 80-09-54
PR WXZX(CP)-106.5	Culebra	move to 98.7 MHz, change xmtr location to 18-19-37 65-18-21
SD KMXC-97.3	Sioux Falls	increase to 100000 w, 974 ft, change xmtr location to 43-43-46 97-05-10
TN WZPC-102.9	Shelbyville	modify CP to increase to 974 ft
TX KSTV-FM-93.1	Dublin	change antenna pattern
KRIO-FM-94.1	Floresville	modify CP to change to 40000 w, 548 ft
KTXM-99.9	Hallettsville	change to 3400 w, 348 ft
KWTX-1230	Waco	change xmtr location to 31-31-01 97-06-38
UT KXRQ(CP)-94.3	Roosevelt	one step application to increase to class C1, 17000 w, add DA
WA KSER-90.7*	Everett	change to 7500 w, 266 ft, drop DA, change xmtr location to 48-01-28 122-06-41
WI WMVM(CP)-98.7	Mayville	increase to 328 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 43-26-17 88-31-35

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

CA KAKX(CP)-89.3*	Mendocino	increase to 250 w (v), -7 ft
KOIT-FM-96.5	San Francisco	change to 24000 w, 1574 ft
KZZF-102.9	South Lake Tahoe	increase to 40000 w, 2886 ft, class C, change xmtr location to 39-18-37 119-53-01 [89-402]
(as amended)		
CT WQTQ-89.9*	Hartford	increase to 115 w
GA WWWE-1100	Carrollton	increase to 5000 w days, add 3800 w critical hours, ND-D, change xmtr location to 33-43-43 84-19-20, change city of license to Hapeville, GA
HI KCIF(CP)-90.3*	Hilo	decrease to 850 w (v), -692 ft, class A, change xmtr location to 19-43-36 155-05-29
IL WVLI-95.1	Kankakee	change to 2300 w, 367 ft
MA WKOX-1200	Framingham	increase to 50000 w days and nights, DA-2, change xmtr location to 42-17-15 71-25-50, increase to 2 towers days, 3 towers nights
NJ WADB-1310	Asbury Park	direct measurement of antenna power
WAQB(CP)-105.7	Manahawkin	increase to 6300 w, 523 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 39-45-06 74-15-39
NY WWWS-1400	Buffalo	correct coordinates to 42-55-34 78-50-28
OH WKSU-FM-89.7*	Kent	change to 14500 w, 909 ft, add DA, change xmtr location to 41-04-58 81-38-02
PR WXZX(CP)-106.5	Culebra	move to 98.7 MHz, change xmtr location to 18-19-37 65-18-21 [91-259]
RI WHJY-94.1	Providence	increase to 456 ft
SD KJJQ-910	Volga	direct measurement of antenna power
TX KEFH(CP)-99.3	Clarendon	decrease to 282 ft, change xmtr location to 35-04-41 100-53-30
KMBV-92.5	Navasota	change to 2500 w, 459 ft, change xmtr location to 30-30-05 96-11-06
KCHG-810	Somerset	add 250 w nights, DA-2
UT KHQN-1480	Spanish Fork	direct measurement of antenna power
WV WMUL-88.1*	Huntington	increase to 9000 w, -39 ft, add DA, class B1

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

AZ KLTW-1420 Sierra Vista becomes KTAN (requested)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AL WKXX-102.9	Attalla	314 from Alexandra Victoria Bcstg. Co, Inc. to Broadcast Media, LLC
		(\$650,000; Broker is Gordon Rice Associates)
CA KLYY-107.1	Arcadia	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to Odyssey-LA, LLC
KSYY-107.1	Fallbrook	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to Odyssey-LA, LLC

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

CA KVVY-107.1	Ventura	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to Odyssey-LA, LLC
CT WCCC-1290/106.9	West Hartford/ Hartford	314 from Greater Hartford Comms. Corp. to Marlin Broadcasting, Inc.
	(\$15 million cash at close; includes non-compete and consulting)	
DE WJNE-95.3	Laurel	314 from Samson Communications, Inc. to Great Scott Broadcasting
FL WTPX-105.5	Jupiter	314 from Jupiter Radio Partners to James Crystal Enterprises, LC
WNOG-1270/ WPRW-93.5/WARO-94.5	Naples	316 from Meridian Bcstg. (J Schwartzel) to Meridian Bcstg.. (J Schwartzel, Trustee)
GA WBBQ-1340/104.3/Augusta WZNY-105.7		316 invol. from Savannah Valley (G. Weiss) to Savannah Valley (R. Rhoden Trustee)
IL WGCI-1390/107.5	Chicago	316 from Pacific & Southern Company, Inc. to Chancellor Media Licensee Company
WFRL-1570/ WFPS-92.1	Freeport	314 from Eveningstar Media Group, LLC to Radio Works of Freeport, Inc.
		(\$2,650,000)
WVWX-103.1/ WJDK-103.1	Highland Park/ Morris	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to Odyssey-CHI, LLC
KS KFLA-1310	Scott City	314 from Western Kansas Wireless, Inc. to Dakota Communications, Ltd.
LA WJBO-1150/ WYNK-1380/101.5/WLSS-102.5	Baton Rouge	316 from Gulfstar Comm. Baton Rouge Lic. Inc. to GCBR, LP
WBIU-1210/ KRVE-96.1	Denham Springs/ Brusly	316 from Gulfstar Comm. Baton Rouge Lic. Inc. to GCBR, LP
MS WBBV-101.1	Vicksburg	315 from Bishop Bcstg. (estate of B. Bishop) to Bishop Broadcasting (Billie Bishop)
MT KDBM-1490/98.3	Dillon	314 from Beaverhead Madison Bcstg., Inc. to Dead-Air Broadcasting Company, Inc.
		(\$330,000 includes \$35,000 non-compete)
NH WMYF-1540/ WZNN-930	Exeter/ Rochester	314 from American Radio Systems Lic. Corp. to Capstar Broadcasting Partners, Inc.
		(\$6 million)
NJ WWZY-107.1	Long Branch	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to Odyssey-NYC, LLC
WNWK-105.9	Newark	314 from Multicultural Radio Bcstg., Inc. to WADO-AM License Corp.
WPAT-930	Paterson	314 from WPAT-AM License Corp. to Multicultural Radio Bcstg., Inc.
NM KZPI-91.7*	Deming	314 from Tres Hermanas Ed. Med. Fund of TX to Paulino Bernal Evangelism
NY WWXY-107.1/ WWVY-107.1	Briarcliff Manor/ Hampton Bays	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to Odyssey-NYC, LLC
WRKL-910	New City	316 from Odyssey Communications, Inc. to WRKL Rockland Radio, LLC
PA WEEX-1230/ WODE-FM-99.9	Easton	314 from Patterson Allentown Licensee Corp. to Clear Channel Metroplex Licenses, Inc.
		(price is calculated to be 13 times broadcast cash flow)
TX KHKS-106.1	Denton	316 from Pacific & Southern Company, Inc. to KLOL License, LP
KKBQ-790/ KKBQ-FM-92.9	Houston/ Pasadena	316 from Pacific & Southern Company, Inc. to KLOL License, LP
KERV-1230/ KRVL-94.3	Kerrville	314 from Griffin Broadcasting Corporation to Barbwire Communications, Inc.
		(\$667,000)
UT KFMD-95.7	Delta	314 from TGWM, Inc. to KFMD, Inc.
KSGI-1450	Saint George	315 from KSGI, Inc. (Morgan Skinner) to KSGI, Inc. (Bear River Trust, J. Allen)
KZEE-99.7	Saint George	316 from KZEE, Inc. (Anderson/Randall/Ence) to KZEE, Inc. (L. Randall/F. Ence)
KZEE-99.7	Saint George	315 from KZEE, Inc. (L. Randall & F. Ence) to KZEE, Inc. (L. Randall/Bear River Trust)
		(Buyer will pay off \$317,500 note, make an investment of \$50,000, pay \$5,000 to Glen Gardner plus \$20,000 for incidental expenses)
KNUC-103.9	Smithfield	315 from KNUC, Inc. (Lavon Randall) to KNUC, Inc. (Logan River Media Corp.)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

WA KNFL-FM-104.9 Tremonton 315 from KNFL, Inc. (Lavon Randall)
to KNFL, Inc. (L Randall/Bear River Trust)
WA KNTR-1550 Ferndale 314 from Help Ministries, Inc.
to Pearl Broadcast Corporation
(\$850,000; Broker is Force Communications & Consultants)

DISMISSED STATION TRANSFERS

KY WXZZ-103.3 Georgetown (D) 315 from HMH Bcstg., Inc. (Terry S. Jacobs)
to HMH Bcstg., Inc. (Regent Comms., Inc.)
SC WSUY-96.9 Charleston (D) 315 from Regent (Terry S. Jacobs)
to Regent (Regent Comms., Inc.)
WRFQ-104.5 Mount Pleasant (D) 315 from Regent (Terry S. Jacobs)
to Regent (Regent Comms., Inc.)
TX KIXL-970 Del Valle (D) 316 from KIXL Bcstg. Corp. (B & W McCoy)
to KIZL Bcstg. Corp. (Intimate Life Minis.)
(this transfer was filed on the wrong form)

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

FL new Otter Creek add 95.9 A, comments due Feb. 2, replies Feb. 17, 1998
OK new Guymon add 99.5 C1, comments due Feb. 2, replies Feb. 17, 1998
TX KVMX Eastland to 95.1 C3, Baird, TX from 95.1 A, Eastland, TX,
comments due Feb. 2, replies Feb. 17, 1998

FM ALLOCATIONS: GRANTED AMENDMENTS

HI new Haiku add 106.5 C, window will be addressed by the
Commission in a subsequent order
new Kaunakakai add 102.3 C, window will be addressed by the
Commission in a subsequent order
TX KCLE-FM Glen Rose to 92.1 C1 from C2
KTFW(CP) Stamford to 92.1 C2 from 106.9 A

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

No, you don't have to mail that thing, after all: Non-commercial licensees are getting a break from the Commission. The FCC's December 11 Public Notice rescinds its earlier Public Notice about non-profit licensees filing some paperwork to prove their status. (You following this so far?) And there will be a NEW Public Notice (that's three) to explain the whole situation. The new DA 97-2590 Public Notice means that licensees of non-commercial stations don't need to rush to make the December 31, 1997 filing deadline. Pepper and Corazzini attorney Neal Friedman expects that only non-profit FM licensees operating OUTSIDE the reserved band (88.1 MHz to 91.9 MHz) will eventually have to file this verification form. And Friedman gives the FCC's Allen Meyers the credit for bringing the situation to light.

Been a while since the Commission handed down a Notice of Apparent Liability on grounds of indecency -- but it did just that in the case of Sandusky-owned KUPD-FM, Tempe (Phoenix). The fine is for \$2,000, and pertains to a broadcast of allegedly indecent material on August 2, 1997 during morning drive. The incident, involving personality Larry McFeelie, was a one-time attempt at humor that mentioned an 8-year-old and sex. Radio & Records says FCC Chairman Bill Kennard has what he calls a "solid draft" of the long-promised indecency guidelines "ready to go." He hopes they'll be made available next year. The Commission promised a useful and concrete set of guidelines as part of its settlement with Evergreen Media in Chicago back in 1994. (Reference the KUPD-FM NAL at No. 97-2620)

"Repeated" and "willful" are two words licensees definitely don't want to see in correspondence with the Commission -- especially if the FCC is alleging something serious, like a charge of unauthorized transfer of control. More than two years ago, the licensee of the station now called WBYM, Hampton, VA got a \$10,000 Notice Apparent Liability for violating Sections 310(d) of the Communications Act and 73.3540 of the Commission Rules. That's unauthorized transfer of control. The licensee apparently didn't respond, or pay...but the station has been plenty busy. It's changed call letters twice since then (from WOJY-AM, to WXRE, and then last month to WBYM). And the licensee has also apparently changed its name from "Hampton Radio, Inc." to "Hampton Radio II, Inc.", without benefit of formal assignment or transfer applications. Now the Mass Media Bureau wants its \$10,000. (DA 97-2593)

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK (cont'd)

Followups on two renewal apps M Street reported on back in our November 5 issue: #1, the reason the Commission returned the application for WLQH-FM, Chiefland, FL is that the station's initial license had not yet been issued (so no renewal was required). And #2 -- way out in Guam -- the renewal app for KSTO, Agoua, GU was initially returned but now has been successfully accepted, after the banks got things ironed out. (Our thanks to the folks at Pepper and Corazzini for the research.)

The paperwork is now straightened out on three Georgia stations licensed to M&M Broadcasting: November 6 license cancellations for southern gospel WBHB, Fitzgerald, oldies WKAA, Ocilla and WRDO, Fitzgerald have been set aside, and authority to operate (plus call sign) reinstated, by action of the Commission on December 11, 1997.

Here's a pirate radio story that could've come right out of the old "Northern Exposure" TV series: The Anchorage Daily News says the regulars at Janice Powers' Old Firehouse Cafe had a meeting following an FCC visit to their micro-power station, and decided to take it off the air. The Anchorage Daily News says that "Free Radio Spenard" was operating at 93.1 MHz with 10 watts. Station supporters have removed the equipment from the cafe. More pirate radio stuff: the Louisville Courier-Journal reports that somebody is operating at 93.9 MHz and covering a lot of eastern Louisville. What's unusual about this one is the programming: a mix of big band, Latin music and classical.

At the Commission staff level: Kathryn Riley Dole is named Deputy Director of the Office of Legislative and Intergovernmental Affairs.

CANADA THIS WEEK

More Howard Stern affiliates to come, in Canada? Looks like Howard Stern will remain on the air in Montreal and Toronto, after his two Canadian affiliates make the proper pledges to "carefully monitor" his show and "remain in compliance" with various CBSC guidelines. The industry-group Canadian Broadcast Standards Council had earlier found Stern's syndicated show to contain (among other things) "abusive, bigoted, sexist and profane" language. Actually, M Street notes that both sides have cooled their rhetoric after Stern's fiery debut, when he referred to French-Canadians as "peckerwoods." Stern has been virtually silent about Canada since then. And CILQ, Montreal and CHOM, Toronto are enjoying huge increases in their morning listening. Don't be surprised if the coast is now clear for more Canadian stations to pick up Stern -- There are already rumors about it.

Publicly-traded Quebec group owner Radiomutuel announces that it will ask shareholders to approve a two-for-one stock split at a January 21, 1998 meeting. The company hopes the split will improve liquidity and attract new investors. Radiomutuel operates the Radio-Energie network and its eight FM and three AM stations and has various TV and production interests.

ELSEWHERE

There's a \$55 million shakeup in the world of major-market ethnic radio ownership, and it comes on the heels of Arthur Liu's decision to sell his ethnic WNWK, Newark, NJ to Heftel for the eye-opening price of \$115 million (plus Heftel's WPAT [AM], Paterson, NJ). Now Liu is apparently using part of the proceeds to buy a mix of eight ethnic and motivational AMs from Douglas Broadcasting. Those stations are: KEST, San Francisco; KSJX, San Jose; KOBO, Yuba City, CA; KYPA, Los Angeles; KWPA, Pomona (L.A. market); KYPA, Bellevue, WA (Seattle market); plus WNJR, Newark, NJ and WZRC, New York (WZRC is the onetime WJIT, most recently in the hands of Mel Karmazin at CBS, Inc.). Liu's Multi Cultural Broadcasting already the licensee of ethnic-language stations in New York (WKDM, New York) and Los Angeles/Orange County (KALI, San Gabriel and KALI-FM, Santa Ana). As for John Douglas and his Douglas Broadcasting, Inc.: He's still very much in the ethnic broadcasting business, as well as other formats (like the motivational talk Personal Achievement Radio). DBI also retains its AsiaOne Network, as well as the Asian Media Sales rep.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

On the other side of the mountains from San Bernardino, Terry Jacobs' Regent Communications has struck a deal to buy three Victorville, CA-area stations that broker Tom Gammon worked on acquiring in his early 1990s buying effort. Now they go to Regent for \$8 million. Gammon's Crown group is selling country KIXW (AM), Apple Valley and simulcast partner KIXW-FM, Lenwood, plus country KIXA, Lucerne Valley. (M Street notes that Gammon's Crown group has been operating KIXA under an LMA with owner Rasa; Regent assumes Crown's deal and its option to buy.) Not included in this transaction: The Crown AC station called KZXY-FM, Apple Valley. M Street hears it's being sold to a separate buyer. Star Media Group's Peter Handy brokered. In that same area, Regent will acquire country KATJ-FM, George, CA and country KROY, Victorville along with the Park Lane group. Also from the Regent camp: Faircom, Inc. and Regent say they've reached a definitive agreement on terms of their merger. The two sides expect a closing in first-quarter 1998.

In the southwestern suburbs of Atlanta, Radio LaGrange, LLC is buying a couple of stations: urban WMXY (AM) and AC WZLG, both licensed to Hogansville, GA. Seller is JANZ Broadcasting, and the price is \$975,000. The principals in Radio LaGrange also own country/talk WCOH, Newnan, GA and soft AC WMKJ, Peachtree City. They began an LMA with WMXY/WZLG on December 1, with no reported changes in format. Brokers: George Reed and Scott Knoblauch of Media Services Group.

East coast urban specialist Radio One makes a 3,000-mile leap westward, into the San Francisco Bay market: It's acquiring KZSF, Alameda and KZWC, Walnut Creek from Z-Spanish Radio Network. Both FMs are currently doing regional Mexican as "La Zeta." Buyer Radio One owns properties in the Washington, D.C., Baltimore, Philadelphia and Atlanta markets, and has finally won legislative approval for a \$500,000 grant to support its home-office move from D.C. to suburban Lanham, MD. More news from Radio One: D.C.-based communications attorney Linda Eckard, currently at the firm of Davis Wright Tremaine, joins Radio One as General Counsel, as of January 21.

A silent AM in the Norfolk market will likely return to the air as a result of Metropolitan Radio Group's purchase of WCKO, Norfolk from J4 Broadcasting. The 1110 KHz facility has been dark since April 1. It was part of a group that once included AMs in the New Bern, NC and Myrtle Beach, SC areas, using urban programming that originated from WCIN, Cincinnati. Gary Acker is the principal of buyer Metropolitan. The Ted Hepburn Company brokered the deal for WCKO.

Maine operator Mariner Broadcasting, LP is adding a third FM to its coastal holdings: classical WPKM, Scarborough, ME, from owner WPKM, Inc. Mariner currently owns classical "W-Bach" WBQQ, Kennebunk and soft AC WQEZ, Kennebunkport. WPKM's Class A facility at 106.3 MHz. Broker: Kevin Cox of Media Services Group.

With three ads you get eggroll...Clear Channel's newest sales deal is with the 13 radio stations of state-owned Radio Shanghai, in China. Lowry Mays' company also wins the right to sell ads on Shanghai Drama Cable TV. The Clear Channel partnership is broader than just a joint sales agreement, since it provides for exchanges of program material, cross-training programs and co-production efforts. Clear Channel says Radio Shanghai is "the largest provincial-level radio company in China", operating two FMs, 8 AMs and 3 short-wave facilities (and the cable channel). Estimated audience: 50 million.

Hicks Muse is ready to speak Spanish or Portuguese, as long as the bottom line translates into dollars, as part of its new \$500 million joint venture with the Caracas-based Cisneros Group. The new "Ibero-American Media Partners, LP" will have offices in Miami, and will invest in media properties in Latin America, Spain and Portugal. Hicks Muse says the goal is to form the "first pan-Ibero American media network" of radio, TV and various production and programming producers. The Cisneros Group will have day-to-day management of the investment. It's already active in the field with investments in Univision, Venevision and the company that delivers "DirectTV" satellite service to Latin America. It had 1996 revenues of \$3.2 billion.

Is America ready for Steve Forbes' smiling voice on the radio every day? The self-funded 1996 presidential candidate says he's headed into syndicated radio, via a new 90-second daily commentary. The syndication effort will be handled by H&H Communications. Most observers expect Forbes to run again for the GOP nomination in the year 2000 -- and he obviously expects radio to help raise his profile. Forbes also gets himself booked to keynote the next Radio & Records Talk Seminar, held in Washington February 19-21.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

From the M Street crime blotter, the latest on a couple of financial talkshow hosts. First dateline is Seattle, where fugitive Michael T. Martin turned himself in to the FBI after being on the lam for a week; he'd left a note admitting that he'd embezzled more than \$100,000 from clients, and then disappeared. The syndicated "Real Estate and Money Show with Michael Martin" had aired on a couple of dozen stations around the country plus Armed Forces Radio. Moving on to suburban Philadelphia, Robert Bretschneider is facing up to four years after pleading guilty to conning investors out of more than \$1 million. Like Martin in Seattle -- Bretschneider was primarily a financial advisor who also did a weekly radio show, to boost his profile.

One more from the M Street crime report: Last week we told you about Florida radio preacher George Crossley, and his trial on charges he tried to hire a hit man to kill his former girlfriend's husband. The latest on the story is that Crossley was convicted. No sentencing date scheduled yet.

And from the hot new tower ownership-and-management field: American Radio Systems-owned "American Tower Systems" will merge with the similarly-named "American Tower Corp.", based in Houston, and assume the American Tower Corp. name. ATC brings in another 750 tower sites spread across 32 states. Clear Channel owns a minority stake in ATC, by the way. Meanwhile -- Cox joint-ventured TeleCom Towers is agreeing to pay \$40 million for 148 towers and sites owned by Arch Communications Group, Inc.

Everybody loves a stock split, and Chancellor Media's going to give them its first one. The split is payable January 12, 1998 to shareholders of record as of December 29, 1997. Chancellor Media is actually a quite young company, the merger of Chancellor Broadcasting, Evergreen Media plus various radio properties of Gannett and Viacom. It also owns mega-rep Katz Media.

In the States, the FCC applies a character test to licensees. Same in other places, like England, where M Street finds this press report in the London Daily Telegraph: "Owen Oyston, the millionaire whose convictions for rape and indecent assault were upheld on appeal this week, is to lose his four radio licenses. The Radio Authority said that, in the light of the ruling, Oyston was not 'a fit person to hold a license.'"

M STREET BAZAAR. . .PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

Westwood's various year-end specials include a live John Mellencamp simulcast with VH-1, broadcast from Tipitina's in New Orleans. That starts at 11:30 Eastern and Pacific time. For adult standards programmers, Westwood offers the live-from-Disneyland "New Year's Eve Big Band" special. For news and talk stations, there's a package of 24 CNNRadio year-end features, and a series from Westwood One/CBS Radio News.

M Street hopes your holiday season is enjoyable. As usual, we're taking just a one-week holiday break in publishing the Journal. You'll get Issue #51 next week, and then we'll take off for a week. The Journal returns with Volume 15, No. 1 with the issue dated January 7, 1998. We know from experience that plenty of changes happen over the holidays (like format and people changes). Please call them in to (615) 865-1525 or fax them in to (615) 865-2598. You can also e-mail news any time to News Editor Tom Taylor at MStreetTom@aol.com.

M STREET

Are small markets really different from large markets? You bet. On the next page, this M Street Research chart shows that if you live in a non-Arbitron-rated market, you just don't have a lot of format choices if you're a listener. Nearly two-thirds (64.2%) of all stations in non-rated markets are doing one of four formats: Country, AC, News/Talk/Business or Oldies. Throw in the next five most popular formats, and you've categorized 81.8% of all small-market stations. Look at it another way: More than one-third of all stations in non-rated markets (34.8%) are running country formats.

Country radio in decline? It's like Global Warming: If you're already inclined to think there's trouble, you'll spot more evidence in the latest numbers. The latest in M Street's year-end analysis of U.S. format trends focuses on commercial stations in Arbitron-rated markets, with analysis by Strata Marketing. While the NUMBER of country stations dropped just 2 from 1996 to 1997 -- the format's AQH SHARE lost another 0.5%. That makes four straight years of AQH erosion, looking at comparable Spring books. Some of the other stories in the chart: Rock makes a notable year-to-year drop, from 6.0% to 5.3%. On the plus side, CHR makes a remarkable jump, from 6.4% to 7.9%, a testimony to Top 40's recent rebound. M Street has just begun breaking out two emerging formats, and they both debut strongly: Classic Hits (remember the '70s format of a couple of years back?), with a 1.8% share...and Modern AC, with a 1.7% share. And M Street notes that for a format that has suffered some famous losses in 1997, Classical actually grew in AQH share, from 1.4% to 1.6%, a continuation of a four year trend.

M Street Format Share Data 1994 to 1997

Commercial stations in Arbitron Markets	Station counts					Market share in % of stations					AQH share				
	1994	1995	1996	1997	96/97	1994	1995	1996	1997	96/97	1994	1995	1996	1997	96/97
Country	846	837	796	794	(2)	16.3%	15.9%	15.0%	14.5%	-0.5%	12.7%	11.9%	11.0%	10.5%	-0.5%
News, Talk, Business	622	655	687	697	10	12.0%	12.4%	12.9%	12.7%	-0.2%	12.4%	12.3%	11.8%	11.9%	0.1%
Oldies	366	357	356	341	(15)	7.1%	6.8%	6.7%	6.2%	-0.5%	5.5%	6.0%	6.1%	5.6%	-0.5%
Adult Standards	277	302	301	326	25	5.4%	5.7%	5.7%	6.0%	0.3%	3.1%	3.0%	3.0%	3.1%	0.1%
Religion (Teaching, Variety)	299	296	312	315	3	5.8%	5.6%	5.9%	5.8%	-0.1%	0.6%	0.8%	0.6%	0.7%	0.1%
Spanish	243	267	297	308	11	4.7%	5.1%	5.6%	5.6%	=	3.7%	4.4%	4.7%	4.1%	-0.6%
Adult Contemporary	420	365	321	295	(26)	8.1%	6.9%	6.0%	5.4%	-0.6%	6.6%	5.8%	5.5%	5.0%	-0.5%
Top-40 (CHR)	236	220	240	272	32	4.6%	4.2%	4.5%	5.0%	0.5%	6.4%	5.9%	6.4%	7.9%	1.5%
Rock	260	248	222	223	1	5.0%	4.7%	4.2%	4.1%	-0.1%	7.0%	5.9%	6.0%	5.3%	-0.7%
Soft Adult Contemporary	168	170	169	184	15	3.2%	3.2%	3.2%	3.4%	0.2%	4.5%	4.2%	3.9%	4.5%	0.6%
Sports	96	121	123	171	48	1.9%	2.3%	2.3%	3.1%	0.8%	1.2%	1.3%	1.4%	1.8%	0.4%
Black Gospel	100	122	132	152	20	1.9%	2.3%	2.5%	2.8%	0.3%	1.3%	0.9%	0.7%	0.9%	0.2%
Classical Rock	173	201	226	145	(81)	3.3%	3.8%	4.2%	2.7%	-1.5%	2.0%	3.7%	3.2%	3.0%	-0.2%
Urban, R&B	152	135	136	125	(11)	2.9%	2.6%	2.6%	2.3%	-0.3%	6.1%	5.6%	5.8%	5.6%	-0.2%
New Rock, Modern Rock	51	129	127	117	(10)	1.0%	2.4%	2.4%	2.1%	-0.3%	1.9%	3.4%	3.9%	3.3%	-0.6%
Classic Hits				116	116				2.1%	2.1%				1.8%	
Urban AC	74	99	104	115	11	1.4%	1.9%	2.0%	2.1%	0.1%	1.0%	3.0%	2.6%	3.1%	0.5%
Adult Hits, Hot AC	129	119	135	112	(23)	2.5%	2.3%	2.5%	2.0%	-0.5%	3.5%	3.0%	3.4%	2.5%	-0.9%
Southern Gospel	86	98	85	93	8	1.7%	1.9%	1.6%	1.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%
Contemporary Christian	88	85	85	93	8	1.7%	1.6%	1.6%	1.7%	0.1%	1.8%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.0%
Jazz	40	64	74	77	3	0.8%	1.2%	1.4%	1.4%	=	1.5%	2.0%	2.3%	2.5%	0.2%
Modern AC				63	63				1.2%	1.2%				1.7%	
Ethnic	60	54	52	62	10	1.2%	1.0%	1.0%	1.1%	0.1%	0.3%	0.3%	0.2%	0.3%	0.1%
Alternative rock	61	51	71	53	(18)	1.2%	1.0%	1.3%	1.0%	-0.3%	1.1%	1.2%	1.4%	1.0%	-0.4%
Pre-Teen	18	26	32	37	5	0.3%	0.5%	0.6%	0.7%	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
Classical, Fine Arts	41	35	36	36	0	0.8%	0.7%	0.7%	0.7%	=	1.2%	1.3%	1.4%	1.6%	0.2%
R&B Oldies	32	37	32	34	2	0.6%	0.7%	0.6%	0.6%	=	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.4%	0.1%
Easy Listening	66	40	38	31	(7)	1.3%	0.8%	0.7%	0.6%	-0.1%	0.6%	0.4%	0.5%	0.4%	-0.1%
Variety	14	21	20	20	0	0.3%	0.4%	0.4%	0.4%	=	0.1%	1.0%	0.5%	0.0%	-0.5%
Gospel	18	18	18	17	(1)	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	0.3%	=	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%
not available or changing	4	1	2	1	(1)	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	=	0.1%	0.0%	0.5%	0.0%	-0.5%
Silent	137	103	89	43	(46)	2.6%	2.0%	1.7%	0.8%	-0.9%					
Total stations	5177	5276	5318	5468	150										

Stations counts by primary format.
Formats from the M Street Database October of each year

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Percent of stations
with a given format in
Arbitron Markets

Spring 1994, 5, 6, 7 all Markets
Arbitron 12+, M-Sun 6a-12m AQH Share
Analysis by Strata Marketing
Using M Street Format Data

M Street commercial station format data produces the following information
Large Markets Vs. Small Markets

Counts as of November 1997

Primary Format		Total	Arbitron	Not	Arbitron Markets		Total	%	RTG	Non-Arbitron Markets		Total	%
1	Country	2,491	794	32%	68%	1,697	794	14.5%	10.5%	1	Country	1,697	34.8%
2	News, Talk, Business	1,111	697	63%	37%	414	697	12.7%	11.9%	2	Adult Contemporary	607	12.4%
3	Adult Contemporary	902	295	33%	67%	607	341	6.2%	5.6%	3	News, Talk, Business	414	8.5%
4	Oldies	755	341	45%	55%	414	326	6.0%	3.1%		Oldies	414	8.5%
5	Adult Standards	551	326	59%	41%	225	315	5.8%	0.7%	5	Adult Standards	225	4.6%
6	Spanish	474	308	65%	35%	166	308	5.6%	4.1%	6	Spanish	166	3.4%
7	Religion (Teaching, Variety)	404	315	78%	22%	89	295	5.4%	5.0%	7	Soft Adult Contemporary	162	3.3%
8	Top-40 (CHR)	358	272	76%	24%	86	272	5.0%	7.9%		Southern Gospel	162	3.3%
9	Soft Adult Contemporary	346	184	53%	47%	162	223	4.1%	5.3%	9	Adult Hits, Hot AC	148	3.0%
10	Rock	262	223	85%	15%	39	184	3.4%	4.5%	10	Classic Rock	95	1.9%
11	Adult Hits, Hot AC	260	112	43%	57%	148	171	3.1%	1.8%	11	Religion (Teaching, Variety)	89	1.8%
12	Southern Gospel	255	93	36%	64%	162	152	2.8%	0.9%	12	Top-40 (CHR)	86	1.8%
13	Classic Rock	240	145	60%	40%	95	145	2.7%	3.0%	13	Contemporary Christian	66	1.4%
14	Sports	220	171	78%	22%	49	125	2.3%	5.6%	14	Black Gospel	56	1.1%
15	Black Gospel	208	152	73%	27%	56	117	2.1%	3.3%		Classic Hits	56	1.1%
16	Classic Hits	172	116	67%	33%	56	116	2.1%	1.8%	16	Sports	49	1.0%
17	Urban, R&B	169	125	74%	26%	44	115	2.1%	3.1%	17	Urban, R&B	44	0.9%
18	Contemporary Christian	159	93	58%	42%	66	112	2.0%	2.5%	18	Alternative rock	41	0.8%
19	New Rock, Modern Rock	137	117	85%	15%	20	93	1.7%	0.3%	19	Rock	39	0.8%
20	Urban AC	134	115	86%	14%	19	93	1.7%	0.1%	20	Variety	30	0.6%
21	Alternative rock	94	53	56%	44%	41	77	1.4%	2.5%	21	Gospel	20	0.4%
22	Jazz	92	77	84%	16%	15	63	1.2%	1.7%		New Rock	20	0.4%
23	Ethnic	75	62	83%	17%	13	62	1.1%	0.3%	23	Urban AC	19	0.4%
24	Modern AC	70	63	90%	10%	7	53	1.0%	1.0%	24	Easy Listening	18	0.4%
25	Variety	50	20	40%	60%	30	37	0.7%	0.0%	25	Jazz	15	0.3%
26	Easy Listening	49	31	63%	37%	18	36	0.7%	1.6%	26	Ethnic	13	0.3%
27	R&B Oldies	46	34	74%	26%	12	34	0.6%	0.4%	27	R&B Oldies	12	0.2%
28	Classical, Fine Arts	44	36	82%	18%	8	31	0.6%	0.4%	28	Classical, Fine Arts	8	0.2%
29	Pre-Teen	40	37	93%	8%	3	20	0.4%	0.0%	29	Modern AC	7	0.1%
30	Gospel	37	17	46%	54%	20	17	0.3%	0.0%	30	Pre-Teen	3	0.1%
	not available or changing	2	1	50%	50%	1	1	0.0%	0.0%		not available or changing	1	0.0%
	Silent	143	43	30%	70%	100	43	0.8%			Silent	100	2.0%
	Total stations	10,350	5,468	53%	47%	4,882	5,468				Total stations	4,882	

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HE'LL BE BACK. . . Arnold Schwarzenegger and Asheville, NC broadcaster Zeb Lee have something in common (and it's probably not body-building) -- Zeb Lee said he'd be back, and he will be, thanks to a federal appeals court. Lee's Orion Communications has won a favorable decision from the D.C. Circuit of Appeals in his ten-year battle to claim the 96.5 MHz frequency licensed to Biltmore Forest, NC. The FCC forced Lee's WZLS off the air earlier this year in a case so famous, it even played a role in the confirmation of new Chairman Bill Kennard. The history revolves around the set of criteria the FCC used to apply in competitive application situations; a federal court invalidated them in the so-called Bechtel case. But the Commission, acting on a ruling by an administrative law judge, had already granted Lee a license. It later suggested that Lee join four remaining applicants for the 96.5 MHz frequency in a non-profit venture until it could sort things out. Zeb Lee balked -- and was forced to turn off his transmitter and give way to the new Biltmore Forest coalition. N.C. Senator Jesse Helms took up the cause, and now Appeals Court Judge Douglas Ginsburg rules the Commission "abused its discretion and acted arbitrarily and capriciously." As of M Street's deadline, Biltmore Forest Radio-owned rocker WZRQ was still occupying the 96.5 MHz frequency. No immediate action from the FCC.

TWO FOR ONE SWAP. . . In Nashville, "Arrow" and "Star" are trading places on the FM dial. It's a deal between Dick Broadcasting and SFX Broadcasting (soon to be Capstar) that also means Dick will acquire talk/sports/religion/trucking WLAC (AM) and the two overnight trucker networks that are based there (Road Gang and Interstate Radio Network). The thing that drives this deal for SFX is the syndicated "John Boy and Billy" morning show, which it owns. On February 1, 1998 the "Big Show" will transfer to a station that SFX also owns. The deal itself is a real mixture of swaps and sales: Dick Broadcasting keeps the 104.5 MHz frequency, but will be operating WLAC-FM's "Star" AC format there. SFX will keep the 105.9 MHz frequency, but operate the WGFX "Arrow" classic hits format there, along with John Boy and Billy. Plus there's WLAC (AM), which Dick will acquire outright. Allen Dick sees potential for growth at WLAC (AM), including the exploitation of rights to the newly-arrived Tennessee Oilers NFL franchise. Looks like the sales and support staff of each FM station will stay put. SFX does expect "most of the air personalities" to move with their stations, but they must interview with the new owner. Dick also owns new rock WKDF, Nashville. SFX owns country WSIX-FM, hot AC WRVW, Lebanon and jazz WJZC, Russellville, KY. In the end, this leaves SFX with 28.8% of the audience and Dick with 12.6%.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		<u>formerly</u>	<u>becomes</u>
AL Decatur (Huntsville)	WAVD-1400	oldies	talk & sports
	(WAVD carries programming from Salem and One-on-One)		
Madison (Huntsville)	WUMP-730	sports & talk	adds 1 on 1 - sports
AR Little Rock	KLIH-1250	# KEZQ, standards	SGN - southern gospel
CO Canon City	KRLN-1400	AC & talk	oldies & talk
Fort Morgan	KBRU-101.7	country, Spanish	drops Spanish
Fort Morgan	KFTM-1400	country	adds Spanish 6pm-11pm
	(KFTM and KBRU are now a combo	with country KNNG and KSTC)	
Lakewood (Denver)	KYGO-1600	classic country	country oldies // KCKK
Pagosa Springs	KWUF-FM-106.3	WW1 - standards	WW1 - oldies
Vail	KSKE-610	talk	adds 1 on 1 - sports
FL Lake City	WDSR-1340	sports	adds 1 on 1 - sports

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FL	Saint Petersburg	WRMD-680	Spanish contemp.	tropical
GA	Rome	WQTU-102.3	WW1 - AC	WW1 - soft AC
IL	Monticello (Urbana)	WCZQ-105.5	country	adds SMN Real - CW
IN	Alexandria	WAXT-96.7	country	adult contemp. (Jan. 1)
	Corydon	WOCC-1550	# country // FM	oldies
	Greensburg	WTRE-1330	country	adds Radio 1 - country
	Kokomo	WIOU-1350	oldies	adds talk
	Rensselaer	WRIN-1560	ABC - country	ABC - oldies (Jan. 1)
IA	Osage (Mason City)	KCZY-103.7	AC // KCHA-FM	KWMM, WW1 - standards
	(Westwood's standards format debuts January 1st)			
KS	Larned	KNNS-1510	# KANS, AC	to be ABC - standards
	(ABC's standards format debuts January 1st)			
LA	Folsom (New Orleans)	WYLK-104.7	country	adds JRN - classic CW
	Hammond (Baton Rouge)	WHMD-107.1	country	adult contemp. (Jan. 1)
	Jennings	KJEF-1290	country // FM	all cajun
	Jonesboro	KTOC-920	classic country	reported silent
	Jonesboro	KTOC-FM-104.9	southern gospel	reported silent
	Lacombe (New Orleans)	WYLA-94.7	country // WYLK	adds JRN - classic CW
	Shreveport	KRMD-1340	country // FM	One-on-One - sports
MD	Cambridge	WCEM-1240	country	talk
	Federalsburg (Salsb.)	WTDK-107.1	WW1 - 70's oldies	WW1 - oldies
MI	Detroit	WDFN-1130	sports	adds 1 on 1 - sports
	Leland (Trav. City)	WBYP-94.3	WIAR, oldies//WAIR	country "B-94.3"
MO	Caruthersville	KCRV-1370	country & talk	adds ABC - oldies
	(KCRV airs ABC's oldies 6pm to 6am)			
	De Soto	KHAD-1190	country // FM	Prime - sports
	Kansas City	KPHN-1190	talk	adds WW1 - Imus
	South West City	KLTK-1140	CW & talk // KWMQ	One-on-One - sports
NJ	Bridgewater	WSPW-1170	WBRW, AC	One-on-One - sports
	Cape May	WSJL-102.3	class rock // WMID	JRN - smooth jazz // WSAX
	Pleasantville (A.C.)	WMID-FM-99.3	classic rock	WSAX, JRN - smooth jazz
NY	Batavia	WBTA-1490	oldies	soft AC
OH	Columbus	WJZA-107.5	# urban AC	WCKX, urban
	(WJZA's urban AC format moves to 106.3 MHz as WMXG)			
	London (Columbus)	WCKX-106.3	# urban	WMXG, urban AC "Mix"
	(WCKX's call letters and format move to 107.5 MHz)			
TN	Brownsville	WNWS-1520	country & talk	Spanish
	Gallatin (Nashville)	WGFX-104.5	classic hits	to be WLAC-FM, AC "Star"
	(John Boy, Billy and the hits move to Capstar's 105.9 frequency, these changes will take effect the first of February)			
	Nashville	WLAC-FM-105.9	adult contemporary	to be WGFX, classic hits
	(WLAC-FM (format only) & talk WLAC-AM have been sold to rock WKDF, these changes will take effect the first of February)			
	Shelbyville	WZNG-1400	country	talk
	Sparta	WTZX-860	country // FM	bluegrass
TX	Conroe (Houston)	KJOJ-880	religion	adds talk "Super Talk"
	(KJOJ will keep its religion 6a-1p & simulcast talk KPRC 6p-6a)			
	Ingleside (Corp. Chr.)	KAHX-107.3	# dance-CHR	KCCG, oldies
WA	Tacoma	KHHO-850	# talk	sports // KJR
	(KHHO enters into an LMA with sports KJR)			
WV	Charles Town (Winch.)	WMRE-1550	WXVA, talk	WW1 - standards
	Welch (Bluefield)	WXEE-1340	country	reported silent
	(WXEE has been donated to Council of S. Mountains WV and must return to the air by 1/31/98)			

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)

			(+ competes with existing application)	
AL	91.1**	Troy	20000 w (h), 246 ft	Positive Programming Found.
CA	94.9+	Baker	25000 w, 33 ft	Tortoise Broadcasting Company
	89.9*	Greenfield	no facils given	Prunedale Ed. Found. Ctrl. CA
	96.9+	Lenwood	1000 w, 797 ft	KHWY, Inc.
	1450	Mountain Gate	no facils given	Southern Oregon University
CO	89.7*	Loveland	no facils given	Colorado Christian University
FL	88.7*	Coconut Creek	no facils given	Broward Community College
IL	88.1*	Crete	100 w, 374 ft	American Family Association
KS	90.7*	Emporia	3000 w, 328 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
LA	89.3**	Natchitoches	1000 w, 292 ft	Positive Programming Found.
MN	94.9+	Lake City	class A	Gregory D. Gentling, Jr.
	94.9+	Lake City	class A	James D. Ingstad
	94.9+	Lake City	class A	Jerry Papenfuss
	94.9+	Lake City	class A	Sorenson Broadcasting Corp.
MS	102.1	Sardis	no facils given	George S. Flinn, Jr.

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

MO 99.9	Naylor	no facils given	George S. Flinn, Jr.
NY 90.1*	Watertown	1000 w, 499 ft	Liberty Comms. Family Bcstg.
	(petition for reconsideration granted and application reinstated)		
OH 98.3	Ashtubula	3000 w, 328 ft	Media One Group-Erie, Ltd.
89.3*	Newark	6000 w (v), 328 ft	Riverside Ministries
OK 89.1**	Seminole	500 w (v), 141 ft	Positive Programming Found.
PA 88.5*	Youngsville	no facils given	Liv. Word of Faith Christ. Out.
WY 88.1**	Cheyenne	no facils given	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
89.7**	Cheyenne	no facils given	Bcstg. for the Challenged, Inc.
90.9*	Laramie	no facils given	Western Insp. Bcstrs., Inc.
88.7*	Sheridan	500 w, 13 ft	American Family Association

Returned/Dismissed Applications

AL 91.1*	Troy (D)	Positive Programming Found.
AR 91.5*	Marvell (D)	East AR Educational Foundation
GA 91.7**	Peachtree City (D)	American Family Association
IL 89.3*	Effingham (R)	American Family Association
MI 106.7	Iron Mountain (D)	Superior Media Group, Inc.
MN 105.5	Deer River (D)	Lee O. Axdahl

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

AZ 89.1*	Hotevilla	100000 w, 656 ft	The Hopi Foundation
AR 90.7*	Marvell	50000 w, 492 ft, DA	East AR Educ. Foundation
IL 91.7*	Pittsfield	500 w, 190 ft	Illinois Bible Institute, Inc.
MN 105.5	Deer River	100000 w, 508 ft	Harbor Broadcasting, Inc.
TX 91.7*	Brownwood	290 w, 571 ft	Howard Payne University
91.1*	Kerrville	300 w, 207 ft	Houston Christian Bcstrs., Inc.
92.5	Markham	3600 w, 426 ft, DA	Michael Augustus
93.5	Zapata	6000 w, 328 ft	La Nueva Cadena Radio Luz, Inc.
WI 89.7*	Sister Bay	3400 w, 538 ft	St. of WI Ed. Comm. Board

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

AL new-91.9*	Opelika	WPCS	Pensacola Christ. Coll.
KY new-90.9*	S. Portsmouth	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: GRANTS

CA K203CN-88.5*	Truckee	80 w (v), KUNR	Board of Regents UCCSN
IN W210BF-89.9*	Elkhart	11 w, KEFX	Calv. Chapel/Costa Mesa
IA K257DR-99.3*	Burlington	170 w, WGCA-FM	Freedom Quest Promotion
NC W220BW-91.9*	Ayden	250 w (v), WOTJ	Grace Mission. Bap. Ch.
TX K286AK-105.1*	Round Rock	225 w (h), KXPZ	Amer. Bcstg. Ed. Found.
UT K211DH-90.1*	Annabella	10 w (v), DA, KUER	University of Utah
WA K283AH-104.5*	Gig Harbor	15 w, KGHP	Peninsula Sch Dist #401
WV W244BF-96.7*	Nimitz	10 w (v), WMLJ	Grace Mission. Bap. Ch.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AL WYDE-850	Birmingham	granted replacement of expired CP to decrease to 9000 w days, change to DA-N
WAOQ(CP)-100.3	Brantley	granted extension of time
WPHG(CP)FM-90.9*	Brewton	granted replacement of expired CP
WTBF-FM-94.7	Brundidge	changes to 14500 w, 433 ft, class C3
AZ KPUB-89.3*	Prescott	license to cover for new station
KNAA-90.7*	Show Low	license to cover for new station
AR KJIW-FM-94.5	West Helena	increases to 16000 w, 341 ft, class C3, changes xmtr location to 34-31-28 90-35-47
CA KIWI-92.1	Bakersfield	changes to 2000 w, 567 ft
KQVO-97.7	Calexico	increases to 6000 w, 305 ft
KZPE(CP)-102.1	Ford City	granted replacement of expired CP
KAOH(CP)-104.9	Lompoc	requests extension of time
KGAM-1450	Palm Springs	changes xmtr location to 33-48-06 116-27-43
KLOA-FM-104.9	Ridgecrest	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 1500 w, 1322 ft, class B1, change xmtr location to 35-28-39 117-41-58
KLDZ(CP)-107.7	Santa Barbara	granted extension of time
CO KBCR-FM-96.9	Steamboat Springs	increases to 10000 w (h), 666 ft, class C2, changes xmtr location to 40-27-43 106-50-57
FL WXGJ-105.5	Apalachicola	license to cover for new station
WCLB-FM-95.5	Fort Pierce	built new auxiliary facility
HI KRTR-96.3	Kailua	granted replacement of expired CP to decrease to 2116 ft

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

HI	KPOA-93.5	Lahaina	increases to 72000 w, 2283 ft, adds DA, class C, changes xmtr location to 20-39-36 156-21-50
IL	WMBI-1110*	Chicago	decreases to 4270 w days, ND-D, changes xmtr location to 41-55-41 88-00-25
	WQUB-90.3*	Quincy	increases to 567 ft
	WJLY-93.3*	Ramsey	granted replacement of canceled CP to change to 2550 w, 505 ft
	WJEK-95.7	Seneca	license to cover for new station
	WRAN-98.3	Tower Hill	license to cover for new station
IN	WHPL-89.9*	West Lafayette	increases to 2000 w (v), adds DA (as amended)
IA	KBVU-FM-97.5	Alta	license to cover for new station
KS	KDGB-93.9	Dodge City	license to cover for new station
KY	WSNR-1600	Hartford	changes city of license to Beaver Dam, KY
LA	KBIU-103.7	Lake Charles	increases to 489 ft, changes xmtr location to 30-14-41 93-20-38
ME	WHOU-FM-100.1	Houlton	changes to 9600 w, 525 ft
MD	WMSG-1050	Oakland	changes xmtr location to 39-23-32 79-23-54
MI	WCUP-106.1	L'Anse	license to cover for new station
	WHST-107.3	Tawas City	granted replacement of canceled CP to move to 106.1 C3, increase to 25000 w, 305 ft, change xmtr location to 44-16-25 83-39-48 (station has already moved to 106.1 MHz)
	WNMC-90.9*	Traverse City	moves to 90.7 MHz, increases to 600 w, 538 ft, changes xmtr location to 44-46-36 85-41-02
MS	WIZK-FM-94.3	Bay Springs	dismissed extension of time and canceled CP to increase to 328 ft (station has a new application this week for 50000 w, 410 ft, class C2 and has already moved from 93.5 MHz)
	WGCM-FM-102.3	Gulfport	changes to 16000 w, 358 ft, changes xmtr location to 30-27-30 89-04-46
	WXRR-104.5	Hattiesburg	increases to 981 ft
	WLSM-1270	Louisville	granted replacement of expired CP to decrease to 2700 w, ND, change xmtr location to 33-07-20 89-01-07
MO	KREI-800	Farmington	changes xmtr location to 37-47-32 90-24-36
	KJPW-FM-102.3	Waynesville	increases to 2650 w, 492 ft
MT	KUFN(CP)-91.9*	Hamilton	granted extension of time
NC	WZRU-88.5*	Roanoke Rapids	increases to 35000 w (h)
NE	KAYA-91.3*	Hubbard	license to cover for new station
	KJLT-970*	North Platte	changes xmtr location to 41-09-36 100-52-43
NJ	WNJZ(CP)-90.3*	Cape May Court House	granted extension of time
	WBHX(CP)-99.7	Tuckerton	requests replacement of expired CP
NY	WENY-FM-92.7	Elmira	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 1200 w, 715 ft
	WGWR-88.1*	Liberty	license to cover for new station
	WNEW-102.7	New York	granted replacement of expired CP to build new auxiliary facility
	WZEA(CP)-98.7	Ogdensburg	requests extension of time
	WRLI(CP)FM-91.3*	Southampton	granted extension of time
	WNUC-107.7	Wethersfield Township	increases to 18000 w, adds DA
OH	(CP)-103.9	Westerville	requests replacement of expired CP
OK	KTGP-103.9	Pawhuska	license to cover for new station
SC	WHGB-88.3*	Murrell's Inlet	license to cover for new station
	WKSO-103.9	Orangeburg	requests extension of time to increase to 9200 w, 531 ft, class C3, change xmtr loc. to 33-40-13 80-52-25 [89-386]
TN	WKOM-101.7	Columbia	increases to 4100 w, 387 ft, changes xmtr location to 35-37-05 87-02-33
	WQDQ(CP)-1200	Lebanon	granted replacement of expired CP
	WHDM-1440	McKenzie	changes xmtr location to 36-07-20 88-31-31
	WEVL-89.9*	Memphis	changes to 9300 w, 285 ft, changes xmtr location to 35-07-46 89-45-30
	WKDA-1240	Nashville	changes xmtr location to 36-09-23 86-46-16
TX	KASE-100.7	Austin	built new auxiliary facility
	KAYD-FM-97.5	Beaumont	decreases to 469 ft
	KNNK(CP)-100.5	Dimmitt	granted extension of time
	KVER-91.1*	El Paso	increases to 510 w

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

TX KZAM-104.7	Ganado	license to cover for new station
KPFT-90.1*	Houston	changes to 28000 w, 672 ft, class C1
KAJI (CP)-94.1	Point Comfort	granted extension of time
KUKA-105.9	San Diego	dismissed extension of time to increase to 14000 w (circular), 440 ft, DA, class C3, change xmtr location to 27-39-04 98-04-57
	(CP was canceled at applicant's request)	
KRTS-92.1	Seabrook	granted extension of time to increase to 100000 w, 981 ft, class C1
	(this CP is independent of the licensed facility)	
VA WLMN (CP)-96.9	Bowling Green	granted extension of time
WRDJ-104.9	Roanoke	increases to 3100 w, 925 ft, class C3, changes xmtr loc. to 37-22-23 79-55-40 [92-32]
WBPP-104.9	Strasburg	changes to 4100 w, 220 ft
WTOP-FM-94.3	Warrenton	increases to 4000 w, 403 ft
WA KMAX (CP)-840	Colfax	requests extension of time
KZZM-102.3	Dayton	changes to 570 w, 1056 ft, changes xmtr location to 46-09-04 117-53-48
KUJ -FM-99.1	Walla Walla	changes to 2100 w, 1125 ft
WV WXXK-103.1	Parkersburg	increases to 2200 w, changes xmtr location to 39-20-59 81-33-56
WAUA-89.5*	Petersburg	license to cover for new station
WI WMVM (CP)-98.7	Mayville	granted replacement of expired CP
WLUM-FM-102.1	Milwaukee	decreases to 3800 w, 207 ft, drops DA
WXEC (CP)-93.9	Nekoosa	granted extension of time
WKCH-106.5	Whitewater	license to cover for new station
WY KQLT-103.7	Casper	requests replacement of canceled CP to change to 100000 w, 1860 ft, change xmtr location to 42-44-37 106-18-31
KUWN-90.5*	Newcastle	license to cover for new station

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS

AL WBHK-98.7	Warrior	(& reapplication) [docket number]
AZ KRRK-101.1	Lake Havasu City	modify CP to change to 9400 w, 1125 ft, change xmtr location to 33-29-04 86-48-25
CA KALI-FM-106.3	Santa Ana	one step application to increase to class C1, 7100 w, 2706 ft, change xmtr location to 34-33-06 114-11-37
FL WJBT-92.7	Green Cove Springs	increase to 6000 w, 302 ft, change xmtr location to 33-45-21 117-51-18
WJAQ-100.9	Marianna	change to 2600 w, 505 ft, change xmtr location to 30-04-10 81-38-50
WWWD (CP)-97.7	Punta Rassa	change to 6000 w (circular), 325 ft, change xmtr location to 30-47-03 85-15-23
WIFL (CP)-96.9	Tavernier	one step application to increase to class C3, 6700 w, 403 ft, drop DA, change xmtr location to 26-29-16 81-55-49
GA WKZZ (CP)-92.5	Douglas	one step application to increase to class C3, 25000 w, 518 ft
WJYF-95.3	Nashville	increase to 25000 w, class C3, change xmtr loc. to 31-31-37 83-20-07, change city of license to Tifton, GA [93-316]
IL WIDB-950	Chicago	increase to 14500 w, class C2 [93-270]
WMIX-940	Mount Vernon	direct measurement of antenna power
IA KAYL-990	Storm Lake	direct measurement of antenna power
KS KCCV-760	Overland Park	direct measurement of antenna power
KY WKIC-1390	Hazard	direct measurement of antenna power
LA WLTS-105.3	Slidell	direct measurement of antenna power
MI WIFN-1590	Marine City	change city of lic. to Kenner, LA [97-102]
MN KQQL-107.9	Anoka	direct measurement of antenna power
MS WIZK-FM-94.3	Bay Springs	increase to 1109 ft, change xmtr location to 45-20-13 93-23-31
MO KBTN-FM-99.7	Neosho	increase to 50000 w, 410 ft, class C2, change xmtr location to 31-46-05 89-10-12
NE KEZO-FM-92.3	Omaha	one step application to increase to class C3, 16500 w, 400 ft, change xmtr location to 36-54-33 94-27-40
NM KYRK-100.9	Eunice	decrease to 1197 ft, change xmtr location to 41-18-40 96-01-37
		increase to 67000 w, class C1

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

NY WDCD-1540	Albany	direct measurement of antenna power
WSIV-1540	East Syracuse	move to 720 KHz, increase to 1500 w, change xmtr loc. to 43-03-30 76-10-00
ND KAUJ(CP)-106.7	Walhalla	change to 16000 w, 836 ft, change xmtr location to 48-38-38 97-58-46
OH WCKX-106.3	London	change DA pattern, change xmtr location to 39-52-29 83-18-19
WAOL-99.5	Ripley	decrease to 11500 w, 318 ft, drop DA
PA WAQM-104.5	Cambridge Springs	change to 2550 w, 512 ft, change xmtr location to 41-42-10 80-09-54
SD KMXC-97.3	Sioux Falls	increase to 100000 w, 974 ft, change xmtr location to 43-43-46 97-05-10
TN WZPC-102.9	Shelbyville	modify CP to increase to 974 ft
TX KEAN-FM-105.1	Abilene	modify auxiliary facility
KSTV-FM-93.1	Dublin	change DA
KRIO-FM-94.1	Floresville	modify CP to change to 40000 w, 548 ft
KTCU-FM-88.7*	Fort Worth	increase to 10000 w, 295 ft, class C3
KTXM-99.9	Hallettsville	change to 3400 w, 348 ft
UT KBKK-106.5	Spanish Fork	modify CP to change to 45000 w, 2758 ft, change xmtr loc. to 40-16-50 111-56-00
WI WFAW-940	Fort Atkinson	direct measurement of antenna power

Returned/Dismissed Applications

IA KICD-FM-107.7	Spencer (D)	decrease to 285 ft, correct coordinates to 43-09-57 95-08-46
MT (CP)-91.1*	Missoula (D)	change main studio location
TX KGTK-1460	Waco (D)	decrease to 900 w days, 250 w nights, ND, change xmtr loc. to 31-31-42 97-07-14

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

AL WGTF-89.5*	Dothan	increase to 19000 w, 210 ft, add DA, class C3
WBHK-98.7	Warrior	modify CP to change to 9400 w, 7125 ft, class C2, change xmtr location to 33-29-04 86-48-25
CA KXTA-1150	Los Angeles	(as amended) increase to 50000 w days, 44000 w nights, DA-2, change xmtr loc. to 34-02-00 117-59-00, increase to 5 towers days and nights
KKBE-105.5	Ojai	modify CP to increase to 310 w, 437 ft, change xmtr location to 34-20-55 119-20-13
KGLW-1340	San Luis Obispo	decrease to 790 w days and nights, ND, change xmtr location to 35-14-03 120-40-31
CO KPRZ-FM-96.1	Fountain	modify CP to change to 1700 w, 2198 ft, change xmtr location to 38-44-43 104-51-39
FL WSRZ-FM-106.5	Sarasota	increase to 13000 w, 584 ft, change xmtr loc. to 27-32-42 82-34-27 [92-195]
IN WSYW-FM-107.1	Danville	(as amended) increase to 1800 w
WBSJ(CP)-91.7*	Portland	change to 2000 w, 220 ft
KS KCVS-90.7*	Salina	move to 91.7 C3, increase to 25000 w
LA KREH-900	Oakdale	decrease to 10 w nights, DA-2, change xmtr loc. to 29-38-38 96-05-46, change city of license to Pecan Grove, TX, increase to 3 towers days & nights
MN KBEM-FM-88.5*	Minneapolis	increase to 2900 w, 479 ft, add DA, change xmtr loc. to 44-59-54 93-11-18
MS WBYP-107.1	Belzoni	modify CP to change to 18000 w, 390 ft, change xmtr loc. to 33-03-04 90-37-51
NV KENO-1460	Las Vegas	modify CP to augment daytime pattern
NJ WIMG-1300	Trenton	direct measurement of antenna power
NC WHYC-88.5*	Swan Quarter	increase to 262 ft, change xmtr location to 35-26-27 76-13-19
OK KDDQ-96.7	Comanche	move to 97.1 MHz, increase to 302 ft, add DA
SC WBAJ(CP)-890	Blythewood	(as amended) decrease to 10400 w days, ND, change xmtr location to 33-57-45 81-03-27
WNFO-1430	Ridgeland	decrease to 213 w days, ND-D, change xmtr location to 32-21-24 80-55-23, change city of lic. to Sun City Hill, SC

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS (cont'd)

SD KMXC-97.3	Sioux Falls	increase to 100000 w, 974 ft, change xmtr location to 43-43-46 97-05-10
TX KLXK-93.5	Breckenridge	modify CP to change to 38000 w, 561 ft, class C2, change xmtr location to 32-50-19 98-40-07

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

AL WZZK-610	Birmingham	becomes	WEZN	1-1-98		
AZ KLTW-1420	Sierra Vista		KTAN	12-22-97		
	KKHG-104.1	Tucson	KZPT	12-12-97	"The Point"	
AR KMKV-106.7	Benton	#	KDDK	12-15-97	"The Duck"	
	KDDK-100.3	Jacksonville	KQAR	12-15-97		
	KESR-102.1	Sherwood	#	KOKY	12-28-97	"Ko-kee"
CA KXMG-1540	Los Angeles	#	KCTD	12-19-97		
	KLYD-104.3	Shafter	#	KCOO	12-11-97	"Cool"
CO new-89.1*	Montrose		KAZD	12-19-97		
CT WEZN-99.9	Bridgeport		WEZN-FM	1-1-98		
FL new-91.3*	Bellevue		WWKO	12-19-97		
	WEDD(CP)-105.9	Englewood	#	WLTF	12-22-97	
	new-91.7*	Marco		WAWM	12-19-97	
	WMTX-1040	Pinellas Park	#	WWBA	12-19-97	
	WEAT-850	West Palm Beach	#	WDJA	(requested)	
ID new-88.5*	Burley		KBSY	12-19-97		
IL WIMJ-104.9	Columbia	#	KMJM-FM	12-15-97	"Magic"	
	new-90.1*	DuQuoin		WAWJ	12-19-97	
IN WKMD-94.1	Loogootee	#	WRZR	1-1-98	"The Razor"	
IA KCZY-103.7	Osage		KWMM	1-1-98	"Memories"	
KS new-91.3*	Arkansas City		KAXR	12-19-97		
	KANS-1510	Larned	#	KNNS	12-19-97	
KY new-103.9	Drakesboro		WNTC	12-15-97		
LA new-91.9*	Bastrop		KAXV	12-19-97		
ME new-89.3*	Freeport		WMSJ	12-19-97		
	WMSJ-91.9*	Harpswell	#	WYFP	12-15-97	
MA WHMV(CP)-90.1*	Woods Hole		WCAI	1-1-98		
MI WQRS-105.1	Detroit		WXDG	12-22-97	"The Edge"	
	WIAR-94.3	Leland		WBYB	12-22-97	
MN KXXU-105.3	Cambridge	#	KZNT	10-31-97	"The Zone"	
	KXXR-105.7	Eden Prairie	#	KZNS	10-31-97	"The Zone"
	KXXP-105.1	Lakeville	#	KZNR	10-31-97	"The Zone"
	KTCJ-690	Minneapolis		KXBR	12-12-97	"The Bear"
	KEGE-FM-93.7	Minneapolis		KXXR	10-31-97	
MS new-93.1	Yazoo City		WMGO-FM	12-17-97		
NH new-720	Hanover		WQTH	12-19-97		
	WAQB(CP)-105.7	Manahawkin		WNJO	12-19-97	
NJ WBRW-1170	Bridgewater		WSPW	12-22-97	"Sports"	
	WMID-FM-99.3	Pleasantville		WSAX	1-1-98	"Sax"
OH WAZU-1360	Cincinnati		WCKY	12-12-97		
	WJZA-107.5	Columbus	#	WCKX	12-26-97	
	WCKX-106.3	London	#	WMXG	12-26-97	"Mix"
OK KWCO-FM-105.5	Chickasha	#	KTUZ	(requested)		
	new-105.5	Coalgate		KAZE	12-19-97	
	KQSY-101.5	Collinsville	#	KMRX	12-19-97	
	KRHD-1350	Duncan	#	KKEN	(requested)	
	KRHD-FM-102.3	Duncan	#	KKEN-FM	(requested)	
	KSWO-1380	Lawton	#	KXCA	(requested)	
OR new-1700	Astoria		KCHT	12-22-97		
	KSKD-1040*	Timard		KLVP	12-22-97	"K-Love"
	new-94.1	Tillamook		KJUN	12-19-97	
PA WKXP-95.9	Benton		WGGI	1-1-98	"Froggy"	
	new-89.5*	Franklin		WAWN	12-19-97	
RI WPNW-550	Pawtucket		WLKW	12-12-97		
TX KPSO-1260	Falfurrias		KLDS	12-19-97		
	KPAD-1540	Fort Worth	#	KZMP	12-28-97	
	new-91.9*	Hebronville		KAZF	12-19-97	
UT KVFM-94.5	Logan	#	KVFX	12-15-97	"The Fox"	
	KRRK-107.9	Roy		KSNU	1-1-98	"Sunny"
	KISN-570	Salt Lake City	#	KNRS	(requested)	
WA new-90.1*	Omak		KQWS	12-19-97		
WV WXVA-1550	Charles Town		WMRE	12-9-97	"Memories"	

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AL	WDMT-97.9	Eufaula	314 from WDMT FM, Inc. to Renegade Broadcasting, LLC
	WSPZ-1150	Tuscaloosa	316 from GMC Bcstg, Inc. (W. Grant, Deceased) to GMC Bcstg. Inc (Grant/Grant, co-exec.)
AZ	KFLG-1000/102.7	Bullhead City	314 from Continental Radio Bcstg., LLC to Regent Licensee of Kingman, Inc.
	KSJM-97.5	Oro Valley	314 from Maloney Broadcasting, Inc. to Rex Broadcasting Corporation
	KTUC-1400	Tucson	314 from KTUC, Inc. to Rex Broadcasting Corporation
			(includes KSJM for \$6.5 million plus assumed liabilities)
CA	KEZL-96.7	Fowler	314 from Americom II, a CA GP to Pacific Star Communications, Inc.
	KTHT-102.7	Fresno	314 from Americom Las Vegas, LP to Patterson Reno Licensee Corp.
	KDIA-1310	Oakland	314 from Pacific FM, Inc. to KGO-AM Radio, Inc.
	KXBT-1190	Vallejo	316 from Quick Broadcasting, Inc. to Baybridge Communications, LLC
	KTHX-1400	Visalia	314 from Americom II, a CA GP to Pacific Star Communications, Inc.
CO	KUAD-FM-99.1	Windsor	316 from Northern CO Radio (Alan Brill) to Northern CO Bcstg. (BMC Holdings, LLC)
DC	WASH-97.1	Washington	316 from WASH License, LP to WTOP License, LP
GA	WOKA-1310/106.7	Douglas	315 from CoffeeHouse Bcstrs (Mitchell, et al) to Coffee House Bcstrs (C. Hutcheson, et al)
	WZIQ-106.5	Smithville	314 from IQ Radio Network, Inc. to Clarence T. Barinowski (\$275,000 cash)
IL	WJOD-107.5	Galena	316 invol. from Comms. Prop. (P Kelly, Dec.) to Comms. Properties, Inc. (D Bauer, Trustee)
	WVJC-89.1*	Mount Carmel	316 from IL Eastern Comm. College (Old Board) to IL Eastern Comm. College (New Board)
IN	WSYW-810/107.1	Indianapolis/ Danville	316 from Continental Broadcasting Group, Inc. to Continental Broadcast Group, LLC
IA	KIKR-103.3	Asbury	314 from KIKR, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corp.
	WDBQ-1490/ KLYV-105.3/KXGE-102.3	Dubuque	316 invol. from Comms. Prop. (P Kelly, Dec.) to Comms. Properties, Inc. (D Bauer, Trustee)
KS	WIBW-580/97.3	Topeka	316 Stauffer Communications, Inc. to Morris Communications Corporation
KY	WOMI-1490/ WBKR-92.5	Owensboro	316 from Tri-State Bcstg. (Alan Brill) to Tri-State Bcstg. (BMC Holdings, LLC)
LA	KEZM-1310	Sulphur	314 from Ladas Broadcasting Corp. to Merchant Broadcasting, Inc. (\$75,000)
ME	WPKM-106.3	Scarborough	314 from WPKM-FM, Inc. to Mariner Broadcasting, LP
MD	WBAL-1090/ WIIY-97.9	Baltimore	316 from The Hearst Corporation to Hearst Radio, Inc.
	WRXS-106.9/ WTGM(CP)-EB-1670	Ocean City/ Salisbury	316 from HVS Partners to GHB Radio, Inc.
MA	WYAJ-97.7*	Sudbury	314 from Sudbury Valley Broadcasting Found. to Lincoln-Sudbury Regional School District (\$1.00 cash)
MI	WBYW-89.9*	Grand Rapids	316 from Grand Rapids Pub. Bcstg. (Old Board) to Grand Rapids Pub. Bcstg. (New Board)
MN	KLDJ-101.7	Duluth	316 from NB II, Inc. (Alan Brill) to NB II, Inc. (BMC Holdings, LLC)
	WEBC-560/ KKCB-105.1	Duluth	316 from Northland Holdings, LLC to BMC Holdings, LLC
	KKOJ-1190/ KRAQ-105.7	Jackson	315 invol. from Kleven Bcstg. (Estate/L Kleven) to Kleven Bcstg. (Marguerite Kleven)
	KCHK-1350/95.5	New Prague	316 from Kingsley H. Murphy, Jr. to Northland, LLC
MS	WFMN-97.3	Flora	316 from Telesouth Communications, Inc. to WFMN Radio, Inc.
	WRBE-1440/106.9	Lucedale	314 from Allen Broadcasting Co., Inc. to JDL Corporation

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

MO KATI-94.3	California	316	from CMB II, Inc. (Alan Brill) to CMB II, Inc. (BMC Holdings, LLC)
KLIK-950/ KTXY-106.9	Jefferson City	316	from Ctrl. MO Bcstg. (Alan Brill) to Ctrl. MO Bcstg. (BMC Holdings, LLC)
NV KWNZ-97.3/ KCBN-1230/KRNO-FM-106.9	Carson City/ Reno	314	from Patterson Reno License Corp. to Americom Las Vegas, LP
KPTL-1300	Carson City	316	invol. from MB Broadcasting Corporation to MB Broadcasting Corporation DIP
NY WCHN-970/ WKXZ-93.9/WBKT-95.3	Norwich	314	from Cooney Communications Corporation to Banjo Communications Group, Inc.
WIBX-950/ WLZW-98.7	Utica	316	from Forever of NY, LLC to Forever Broadcasting, LLC
WTNY-790/ WUZZ-1410/WCIZ-93.5/WFRY-FM-97.5	Watertown	316	from Forever of NY, LLC to Forever Broadcasting, LLC
NC WJNC-1240	Jacksonville	314	from WJNC, Inc. to Jacksonville-Topsail Radio, LLC
			(\$100,000 includes LMA)
OH WLOH-1320	Lancaster	314	from Citicasters Co. to WLOH, Inc.
			(\$100,000 includes LMA)
WLJM-940/ WAJC-104.9	Lima	316	from Forever of OH, LLC to Forever Broadcasting, LLC
OK KCLI-1320/106.9	Clinton	314	from Custer Broadcasting, Inc. to Tyler Broadcasting Corporation
PA WFGO-94.7	Erie	316	from William Fleckenstein to Presque Isle Broadcasting, Inc.
WNWR-1540	Philadelphia	316	from Global Radio, LLC (Edwin Tornberg) to Global Radio, LLC (E. Tornberg Liv. Trust)
WIOV-1240/105.1	Reading/Ephrata	316	from Reading Radio (Alan Brill) to Reading Radio (BMC Holdings, LLC)
PR WKVN-960	Quebradillas	314	from Clamor Broadcasting Network, Inc. to Aureo Matos
SC WSUY-96.9	Charleston	316	from Regent Licensee of Charleston, Inc. to Citicasters Co.
WRFQ-104.5	Mount Pleasant	316	from Regent Licensee of Charleston, Inc. to Citicasters Co.
TX KGNC-710/97.9	Amarillo	316	Stauffer Communications, Inc. to Morris Communications Corporation
KBZD-99.7	Amarillo	314	from Dragonfly Communications, LLC to Metropolitan Radio Group, Inc.
			(\$400,000)
KPQZ-100.9	Amarillo	314	from Robert R. Sanders, Receiver to Mandujano Y. Asosiados, Inc.
KARX-95.7	Claude	314	from West Jewell Management, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corp.
KCLE-1120/92.1/ KCUB-FM-98.3	Cleburne/Glen Rose/ Stephenville	316	from Cleburne Radio, Inc. to M & M Broadcasters, Ltd.
KWOW-103.3	Clifton	316	from M & M Broadcasting Co. to M & M Broadcasters, Ltd.
KCDD-103.7	Hamlin	314	from Big Country Broadcasting, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corp.
			(includes KBCY for \$1,812,000)
KTRH-740	Houston	316	from KTRN License, LP to KLOL License, LP
KTFW(CP)-92.1	Stamford	316	from M & M Broadcasting Co. to M & M Broadcasters, Ltd.
KWFS-1290	Wichita Falls	316	from Apex Broadcasting, LLC to KWFS-AM Sub, LP
KNIN-FM-92.9	Wichita Falls	316	from Apex Broadcasting, LLC to KNIN-FM Sub, LP
KTLT-106.3	Wichita Falls	316	from Apex Broadcasting, LLC to KTLT-FM Sub, LP
KWFS-FM-103.3	Wichita Falls	316	from Apex Broadcasting, LLC to KWFS-FM Sub, LP
UT KQMB-102.7	Midvale	314	from Quarry Mountain Broadcasting, Inc. to Simmons Family, Inc.
VA WZOD-1290	Colonial Heights	314	from Fletcher Communications, Inc. to Hibernia of Richmond, LLC
WPAK-1490	Farmville	314	from Gold & Sunny, Inc. to Great Virginia Venture, Inc.

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

VA WYSK-1350/ WFLS-FM-93.3/ WYSK-FM-99.3	Fredericksburg/ Spotsylvania	316 from Free Lance-Star Pub. (C. Rowe, et al) to Free Lance-Star Pub. (Josiah Rowe)
WCKO-1110	Norfolk	314 from J4 Broadcasting of Norfolk, Inc. to Metropolitan Radio Group, Inc. (\$262,250 cash at close)
WA KJOX-980	Selah	314 from Spanish Language Bcstrs. of WA to Thomas W. Read (Yakima Christ. Bcstg.)
KVTI-90.9*	Tacoma	316 from Clover Park Tech. Coll. (Old Board) to Clover Park Tech. Coll. (New Board)
WI WOBT-1240/ WRHN-100.1/ WHTD-93.7	Rhinelanders/ Three Lakes	314 from Northwoods Broadcasting, Inc. to Marathon Media of Wisconsin, LP

Form 316 Transfer Applications were filed from Clear Channel Radio Licenses, Inc. to Clear Channel Metroplex Licenses, Inc. for Alabama stations WDWG, Atmore; WNTM, WKRH, WMXC and WKSJ-FM, Mobile; WKSJ, Prichard; and Arkansas stations KMKV, Benton; KSSN, Little Rock and KOLL in Maumelle.

DISMISSED STATION TRANSFERS

FL WYQQ-101.1	Springfield (D)	314 from Tideline Broadcasting, Inc. to Styles Broadcasting of Alabama, Inc.
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(This transfer was filed and dismissed this week at the request of applicant's attorney)

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

MS WGNG(CP)	Belzoni	to 106.3 C3 Tchula from 106.3 A, Belzoni, MS, comments due Feb. 2, replies Feb. 17, 1998
OR KQFM	Hermiston	to 99.5 A from 99.3 A "show cause why not", comments due Jan. 9, replies Jan. 24, 1998
TX new	Kerrville	add 106.1 A, comments due Feb. 9, replies Feb. 24, 1998
WA KUJ -FM	Walla Walla	to 99.1 C2 from C3, comments due Jan. 9, replies Jan. 24, 1998
WV new	St. Marys	add 105.3 A, comments due Feb. 9, replies Feb. 24, 1998

FM ALLOCATIONS: GRANTED AMENDMENTS

MO new	Gideon	add 103.9 A
NY new	Windsor	add 106.7 A
TX new	Goldsmith	add 94.7 A
new	Yorktown	add 96.3 A

(windows for the above allocations will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order)

FM ALLOCATIONS: DISMISSED AMENDMENTS

TX new	Lexington (D)	add 105.1 A
new	Waelder (Den.)	add 96.3 A

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

New Jersey-licensed stations get a temporary "pass" from the FCC when it comes to casino gaming ads. That word comes from the Commission in response to a U.S. District Judge Joe Rodriguez' opinion that the FCC's policy abridges free speech. The Commission will now treat New Jersey-licensed stations the same way it's handling stations that lie inside the jurisdiction of the San Francisco-based Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals. Stations licensed to California, Oregon, Washington, State, Arizona, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Alaska, Hawaii, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands are temporarily not subject to the FCC rules about gaming ads. Now you can add New Jersey to the list -- but not stations licensed to Pennsylvania or Delaware, just across the Delaware River, and only an hour's drive from Atlantic City.

"An undisclosed real party" to the application -- That's what the FCC calls Tom Gammon, in a decision involving two California CPs held by Desert Broadcasting. That decision (DA 97-2631) seems likely to cost broker and owner Gammon an \$18,500 Notice of Apparent Liability for violating Section 73.3514(a) of the Commission rules involving disclosure. The situation dates back to the pre-duopoly era, and the Commission alleges that Gammon failed to reveal his interest in Desert Broadcasting, which had been granted CPs for KBXY-FM, Baker, CA and KGXY-FM, Lenwood, CA. Gammon-owned Turquoise Broadcasting already held a permit for KIXF-FM, Baker and a license for KIXW-FM, Lenwood. Owning both sets of stations would have violated the then-current standard of multiple ownership. Desert eventually surrendered its permits for KBXY-FM and KGXY-FM. And now, finally, the Commission gets around to finding that Gammon violated its rules and issues the NAL.

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK (cont'd)

Uncle Sam Wants You...If, that is, you're the licensee of an AM, FM or FM translator in Pennsylvania or Delaware, or the licensee of an FM translator in Montana. The Commission will be mailing you a renewal booklet sometime in mid-January. If you don't get one, you should take action immediately, because there may be a problem with the address. One good idea: Make sure somebody checks the address list attached to the December 16, 1997 Public Notice. The deadline for correcting station addresses is January 9, 1998. For more information, contact the FCC's Claudia Patterson at (202) 418-2784.

ELSEWHERE

Year-ends always produce some real surprises -- remember the December surprise demise of the old Birch ratings service? Now here's one for this year, out of the Austin market: Capstar adds \$90 million worth of "crown jewel" radio stations there, with its surprise purchase of country combo KVET-FM/KASE and news/talk KVET. Jim Duncan estimated that trio did 34% of the market's 1996 revenue. Now they'll be flying under the flag of Capstar regional operating company GulfStar -- and amazingly, they'll be Capstar's first properties in its hometown of Austin. Seller KVET Broadcasting is headed by former Austin mayor Roy Butler. The stations' ownership lineage includes Lone Star State legends like Congressman Jake Pickle and Governor John Connally. 23-year GM Ron Rogers stays with the operation and becomes Regional VP-Central Texas of Gulfstar. There will be an LMA starting in the first quarter of '98.

Texas-based group owner Sunburst buys the remaining seven stations of Sungroup, Inc. for \$24.5 million. Stations involved: urban KMJJ-FM, Shreveport; dance KKSS, Santa Fe; country KYKX, Longview, TX; AC KKYS, Bryan, TX; and three stations in Abilene, namely sports KEAN, country KEAN-FM and classic hits KROW, all licensed to Abilene. M Street notes that John Borders and Don Turner of Sunburst Media just closed on their \$3.3 million purchase of modern rock KTOZ-FM, Pleasant Hope, MO; that becomes their fourth FM in the Springfield, MO market (Arbitron market #145).

It used to be called "Odyssey," but now it's re-born as "Big City Radio, Inc.", and it's just gone public with an Initial Public Offering on the Amex of 4 million shares. (M Street figures principals Mike Kakoyiannis and Stu Subotnick wanted to make sure investors know they're involved in markets like New York, Los Angeles and Chicago.) Odyssey is the company that's been assembling regional simulcasts of mostly suburban stations on the same frequency; in the New York City area, it's behind the "Y107" country franchise. Donaldson, Lufkin & Jenrette and Furman Selz led the underwriting, which trades under the symbol "YFM", in a bow to the station handle.

Here's a musical name for a new licensee: "BanJo Communications." It's paying \$1,260,000 to acquire three Norwich, NY-licensed stations from Matt Cooney's Cooney Communications: standards, WCHN; AC WKXZ; and country WBKT. (Norwich is located between Binghamton and Utica, by the way.) The principals of BanJo are James V. Johnson of Oneonta, NY and James Baldo of Bradford, PA; they have no other broadcast interests. Broker: Dick Kozacko of Kozacko Media Services.

He may be selling his radio stations to Capstar, but veteran station owner Bob Sillerman is well on his way to becoming "one of the largest presenters of live music and entertainment in the United States." (And in the process gaining a toehold in radio syndication via SJS Entertainment.) Sillerman had already bought New York-area promoter Delsener-Slater through SFX Broadcasting, and announced he was spinning his concert business out of the Capstar deal. But now Sillerman commits to spending \$240 million to greatly expand the scope of the new "SFX Entertainment." That will occur in four separate deals (one of which involves a trade-magazine group and radio syndicator SJS Entertainment). Sillerman is buying this quartet: legendary San Francisco-based Bill Graham Presents (\$65 million). St. Louis-based Contemporary Group (\$90 million). Concert/Southern Promotions (\$15 million). And the Network Magazine Group and SJS (\$7 million). Sillerman will keep each company's current management in place.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

Emmis in the TV business? Just for an instant -- long enough for Jeff Smulyan to acquire UHF stations in Seattle (Channel 22) and Grand Rapids (Channel 17), and then swap them to Tribune. That's how Emmis will pay for its third FM in New York City -- smooth jazz WQCD, New York. It's been operating the station under an LMA for months now, and had been looking for suitable assets with which to trade. Those turn out to be Dudley Communications' KTZZ-TV, Seattle (WB Network) and WXMI-TV, Grand Rapids (Fox). Tribune still owns radio flagship WGN, Chicago plus three properties in Denver: standards KEZW, Aurora, classic rock KKHK, Denver and soft AC KOSI, Denver. The TV/radio swap announcement comes a couple of days after Emmis Chairman/CEO Jeff Smulyan makes his ritual announcements: His company is "not for sale"...It is looking for acquisitions...and other companies have been "paying too much." Emmis has done very little on the buying front since the Telecom Act of 1996, but its significant holdings in several very large markets like New York and Los Angeles have kept it a big player. This time, Smulyan's saying he could see Emmis spending as much as \$1 billion on acquisitions in 1998.

We DO know that Ingleside, TX (down near Corpus Christi) is a million prairie dogs away from Beaumont, TX -- and it WASN'T an earthquake that shifted the ground and made them neighbors. M Street notes that we goofed in the December 10th issue of the Journal (page 9), when we moved Ingleside to the Beaumont area. Pacific Broadcasting of Beaumont (which already owns KTCX, Beaumont) is indeed buying KAHX, Ingleside (Corpus Christi area) from BK Radio. And a format update on KAHX: It's dropping its former dance CHR format and doing oldies as KCCG in an LMA with future owner Pacific Broadcasting.

M STREET BAZAAR... PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

Reach Radio Networks says it wants the new weekly "Music City Reunion" to become the "Crook and Chase" of southern gospel programs. Music City Reunion will be hosted by Gary McSpadden and Tanya Goodman-Sykes and launches January 1, 1998. It's available via barter from southern gospel syndicator Reach at (800) 742-3969. (Reach also produces the 24-hour satellite-delivered format called "Solid Gospel," plus various Christian music marketing ventures.)

Mel Karmazin always says he loves traffic jams, because they boost radio listening...and now there's new evidence that he's right. 68% of persons 12+ listen to a car radio during a typical week, and 71% of employed people listen on the road. More findings from a new study of Arbitron data by Research Director, Inc.: There's a lot of button-punching going on inside that car, since in-car listeners check out more radio stations than listeners in any other location (like home). RDI says "a typical diarykeeper indicated listening to 2.4 stations at home, 1.9 stations at work but 2.9 stations in the car." And (no surprise here) in general, the bigger the city, the longer the commute. New York City averaged 31 minutes; El Paso clocked in at 20 minutes. Research Director (410-377-5859) conducted the study at the suggestion of Tapscan.

All five members of the new Federal Communications Commission will speak at the NAB's spring convention in Las Vegas. New Chairman Bill Kennard will do the honors at the FCC Chairman's Breakfast on April 7, 1998. Commissioners Ness, Furchtgott-Roth, Tristani and Powell will participate in a special "Regulatory Dialogue." You can also expect FCC staff members to make appearances on various panels. The Las Vegas show runs April 5-8.

Concerned about where country music is headed? The board of Country Radio Broadcasters would like to supply some answers, and so they've commissioned Eagle Research to do a two-pronged research study: #1, a top-50 market project focusing on markets where there are at least two competitive country stations. And #2, a small-market study, focusing on KRMD-FM, Shreveport, designed to "discover how both station personnel and local media buyers perceive the competitive matrix of advertising." Results will be presented at CRS-29, February 25-28, in Nashville.

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From all of us at M Street -- A safe New Year celebration, and a big cash-flowing New Year!

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