



Communications

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FCC Announces Filing Freeze for FM Minor Change Applications and Allotment Petitions and Creates Filing Window for Noncommercial Educational FM New Station Construction Permits

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The FCC issued two Public Notices today which, together: (1) impose a freeze on the filing of all FM commercial and noncommercial educational ("NCE") minor change applications from 11:59 pm, November 25, 2009, through December 18, 2009; (2) impose a freeze, beginning today, October 16, 2009, through December 18, 2009, on any applications proposing to modify the reference coordinates of 67 vacant non-reserved FM Band allotments listed on Attachment A of the Public Notice (attached hereto), as well as on any petitions or counterproposals that propose a change in the channel, class, community, or reference coordinates of those allotments; and (3) create a filing window for applications for those 67 vacant FM allotments reserved for NCE use.

With respect to the NCE filing window, the FCC announced that it will accept applications for the vacant 67 NCE FM allotments on Channels 221 through 300 from Friday, **December 11, 2009**, until Friday, **December 18, 2009**.

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No.	State	City	Channel	Class
1	AL	Anniston**	261	C3
2	AZ	Pima**	296	A
3	AZ	Somerton**	260	C3
4	AZ	Willcox**	223	C3
5	CA	Hemet**	273	А
6	CA	McKinleyville**	277	C3
7	CA	Sutter Creek**	298	A
8	CA	Westley**	238	А
9	CO	Olathe**	270	C2
10	CO	Olathe**	293	С
11	FL	Big Pine Key**	239	А
12	FL	Horseshoe Beach**	234	C3
13	FL	Live Oak**	261	А
14	FL	Otter Creek**	240	А
15	GA	Reynolds**	245	А
16	IA	Keosauqua**	271	C3
17	IA	Moville**	246	А
18	IA	Rudd**	268	А
19	ID	Weiser**	247	C1
20	IL	Canton**	277	А
21	IL	Cedarville**	258	А
22	IL	Clifton**	297	А
23	IL	Freeport**	295	А
24	IL	Pinckneyville**	282	А
25	IN	Columbus**	228	А
26	IN	Farmersburg**	242	А
27	IN	Fowler**	291	А
28	IN	Madison**	265	А
29	IN	Terre Haute**	298	В
30	KS	Council Grove**	281	C3
31	KY	Smith Mills**	233	A
32	LA	Golden Meadow**	289	C2
33	LA	Homer**	272	A
34	LA	Ringgold**	253	C3
35	MA	West Tisbury**	282	A
36	MI	Hubbardston**	279	A
37	MO	Huntsville**	278	C2
38	MO	Laurie**	265	C3

Commercial Vacant Allotments Reserved for Noncommerical Educational Use

No.	State	City	Channel	Class
39	MT	Bozeman	240	C3
40	NC	Dillsboro**	237	А
41	ND	Berthold**	264	С
42	NM	Alamo Community**	298	А
43	NY	Amherst**	221	А
44	NY	Rhinebeck	273	А
45	OK	Cordell**	229	А
46	OK	Weatherford**	286	А
47	OK	Wynnewood**	283	А
48	OR	Dallas**	252	C3
49	OR	Madras**	251	C1
50	OR	The Dalles	268	C3
51	PA	Liberty**	298	А
52	PA	Susquehanna**	227	А
53	SC	Barnwell**	256	C3
54	TX	Burnet**	240	А
55	TX	Denver City**	248	C2
56	TX	Van Alstyne**	260	А
57	UT	Fountain Green**	260	А
58	VA	Shenandoah**	296	А
59	VI	Charlotte Amalie	226	А
60	WA	Chewelah	274	C3
61	WA	Oak Harbor**	233	А
62	WI	Ashland	275	А
63	WI	Augusta**	268	C3
64	WI	Hayward**	232	C2
65	WI	Washburn	284	А
66	WV	St. Marys**	287	А
67	WY	Jackson**	294	C2

** - Allotments identified with a double asterisk were reserved by means of the third reservation test, *i.e.*, would provide a first or second NCE radio service to at least ten percent of the population within the 1mV/m contour. Applicants for these identified allotments must satisfy, again, the first or second NCE service provisions.