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John B. Askew,

Regional Administrator, Region 7.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 06-2062; MB Docket No. 05-13; RM-11078]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Groveland, CA

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; dismissal.

SUMMARY: We dismiss the petition for rule making filed by 105 Mountain Air, Inc., proposing the allotment of Channel 264A at Groveland, California, for failure to file a continuing expression of interest. It is the Commission's policy to refrain from making an allotment to a community absent an expression of interest.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Sharon P. McDonald, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MB Docket No. 05-13, adopted October 18, 2006, and released October 20, 2006. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1-800-378-3160 or <http://www.BCPIWEB.com>. This document is not subject to the Congressional Review Act. (The Commission is, therefore, not required to submit a copy of this Report and Order to GAO, pursuant to the Congressional Review Act, *see* 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A) because the proposed rule was dismissed.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 80

[WT Docket No. 00-48; FCC 06-129]

Maritime Communications

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice of proposed rulemaking.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC) furthers its ongoing efforts to ensure that its rules governing the Maritime Radio Services continue to promote maritime safety, maximize effective and efficient use of the spectrum available for maritime communications, accommodate technological innovation, avoid unnecessary regulatory burdens, and maintain consistency with international maritime standards to the extent consistent with the United States public interest. The Commission also seeks in this proceeding to ensure that it regulates the Maritime Radio Services in a manner that advances our Nation's homeland security.

DATES: Submit comments on or before January 8, 2007, and reply comments are due on or before February 6, 2007.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by WT Docket No. 00-48; FCC 06-129, by any of the following methods:

- *Federal eRulemaking Portal:* <http://www.regulations.gov>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *Federal Communications Commission's Web site:* <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Follow the instructions for submitting comments.
- *People with Disabilities:* Contact the FCC to request reasonable accommodations (accessible format documents, sign language interpreters, CART, *etc.*) by e-mail: FCC504@fcc.gov or phone 202-418-0530 or TTY: 202-418-0432.

For detailed instructions for submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, see the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeffrey Tobias, Jeff.Tobias@FCC.gov, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, (202) 418-1617, or TTY (202) 418-7233.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's *Third Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making (Third FNPRM)* in WT Docket No. 00-48, FCC 06-129, adopted on August 29, 2006, and released on September 8, 2006. The full text of this document is

available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. The complete text may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554. The full text may also be downloaded at: <http://www.fcc.gov>. Alternative formats are available to persons with disabilities by sending an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

1. The WT Docket No. 00-48 rulemaking proceeding was established to develop rules for domestic implementation of the Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (GMDSS), a ship-to-shore and ship-to-ship distress communications system using satellite and digital selective calling (DSC) technology. The Commission takes the following significant actions in the Third FNPRM in WT Docket No. 00-48: (i) Proposes to cease authorizing INMARSAT-E emergency position indicating radiobeacons (EPIRBs) due to Inmarsat's planned cessation of service to such EPIRBs; (ii) requests comment on whether to require Global Positioning System (GPS) capability in VHF-DSC handheld units; (iii) requests comment on whether to require the carriage of at least one VHF handheld marine radio transceiver on all small passenger vessels that do not have a reserve power supply; (iv) requests comment on whether there is a need to make additional spectrum available for ship station facsimile communications, or to permit the transmission of data on VHF maritime voice channels; (v) requests comment on whether there is any need to continue limiting the number of frequencies that may be assigned to any particular private coast station; (vi) requests comment on updating the standards for ship radar equipment; and (vii) proposes to add a rule clarifying that GMDSS vessels subject to subpart W are required to test GMDSS radiotelephone equipment on a daily basis.

I. Procedural Matters

A. Ex Parte Rules—Permit-But-Disclose Proceeding

2. This is a permit-but-disclose notice and comment rulemaking proceeding. Ex parte presentations are permitted, except during the Sunshine Agenda period, provided they are disclosed as provided in the Commission's rules.