

Order. Thus, we declined to relieve carriers of our depreciation requirements in circumstances where they elected above-the-line treatment.

In its petition for reconsideration, Qwest requests (1) that we reconsider our denial of USTA's petition for forbearance of our depreciation requirements; (2) that if USTA's petition is not granted, we reconsider our methodology for establishing service life ranges for telecommunications plant equipment; and (3) that for purposes of seeking a waiver of the depreciation requirements, we permit an above-the-line accounting treatment of the differential between regulatory and financial book reserve levels.

After review of the arguments presented on reconsideration, we conclude that Qwest has not provided any new information or arguments that require us to alter our prior rulings. The precise issues and arguments that Qwest raises on reconsideration were thoroughly considered and examined in the previous proceeding. Our analysis and reasons for our rulings are fully stated in the *Depreciation Order*, and the *November 2000 Order* further underscores the appropriateness of the decision to deny reconsideration.

Accordingly, pursuant to sections 4, 201–205, 218–220, 303(r), and 405 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. 154, 201–205, 218–220, 303(r), and 405 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and §§ 1.106 and 1.429 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.106, 1.429, that the petition for reconsideration filed May 10, 2000, by US West, Inc. (now Qwest) is denied.

Federal Communications Commission.

Magalie Roman Salas,

Secretary.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 01–286; MM Docket Nos. 01–33, 01–34; RM–10060, RM–10061]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Warsaw, Windsor, MO, and Caro, Cass City, MI

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comment on two petitions for rulemaking. One filed by Edwards Communications, L.C., licensee of Station WIDL(FM), Caro, Michigan,

proposes the substitution of Channel 221C3 for Channel 221A at Caro, Michigan, and the reallocation of Channel 221C3 from Caro to Cass City, Michigan. Channel 221C3 can be allotted at Cass City in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements, with respect to domestic allotments, at a site 4.9 kilometers (3.0 miles) northeast of the community at coordinates 48–38–20 NL and 83–08–38 WL. The second, filed by D&H Media, permittee of Station KWKJ(FM), Warsaw, Missouri, proposes the reallocation of Channel 253A from Warsaw to Windsor, Missouri. Channel 253A can be allotted at Windsor in compliance with the Commission's minimum distance separation requirements, with respect to domestic allotments, without the imposition of a site restriction at coordinates 38–31–56 NL and 93–31–19 WL.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before April 5, 2001 and reply comments must be filed on or before April 20, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve petitioner(s) as follows: for MM Docket No. 01–33, Edwards Communications, L.C., C/O John S. Neely, Miller and Miller, P.C., P.O. Box 33003 Washington, DC 20033; for MM Docket No. 01–34, D&H Media, C/O Howard J. Barr, Pepper and Corazzini, LLP, 1776 K Street, NW., Suite 200, Washington, DC 20006–2334.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Victoria M. McCauley, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket Nos. 01–33 and 01–34, adopted January 31, 2001, and released February 9, 2001. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center (Room 239), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., (202) 857–3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio broadcasting.

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

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES

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

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334 and 336.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Michigan is amended to remove Caro, Channel 221A and add Cass City, Channel 221C3.

3. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Missouri is amended to remove Channel 253A at Warsaw and add Windsor, Channel 253A.

Federal Communications Commission.

John A. Karousos,

Chief, Allocations Branch, Policy and Rules Division, Mass Media Bureau.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

Fish and Wildlife Service

50 CFR Part 17

RIN 1018–AG71

Endangered and Threatened Wildlife and Plants; Reopening of Comment Period and Notice of Availability of the Draft Economic Analysis for Proposed Critical Habitat for 76 Plants From the Islands of Kauai and Niihau, HI

AGENCY: Fish and Wildlife Service, Interior.

ACTION: Proposed rule; reopening of comment period and notice of availability of draft economic analysis.

SUMMARY: We, the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service), announce the availability of the draft economic analysis for the proposed designations of critical habitat for 76 plants from the islands of Kauai and Niihau, Hawaii. We are also providing notice of the reopening of the comment period for the proposal to designate critical habitat for these 76 plants to allow all interested parties to comment simultaneously on the proposed rule and the associated draft economic analysis. Comments previously submitted need not be resubmitted as they will be incorporated into the public record as part of this reopened comment period and will be fully considered in the final rule.

DATES: We will accept public comments until April 6, 2001.

ADDRESSES: Written comments and information should be submitted to Field Supervisor, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Pacific Islands Office, 300 Ala