

§ 63.60 Definitions.

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(i) The term “technology transition” means any change in service that would result in the replacement of a wireline TDM-based voice service with a service using a different technology or medium for transmission to the end user, whether internet Protocol (IP), wireless, or another type; except that retirement of copper, as defined in § 51.325(a)(3) of this chapter, that does not result in a discontinuance, reduction, or impairment of service requiring Commission authorization pursuant to this part shall not constitute a “technology transition” for purposes of this part.

■ 3. Amend § 63.602 by revising paragraph (a)(2) to read as follows:

§ 63.602 Additional contents of applications to discontinue, reduce, or impair an existing retail service as part of a technology transition.

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(2) A statement identifying the application as involving a technology transition, as defined in § 63.60(i);

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 20–334; RM–11864; DA 20–1435; FRS 17288]

Television Broadcasting Services; Portland, Oregon

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Media Bureau, Video Division (Bureau) has before it a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking issued in response to a petition for rulemaking filed by Sander Operating Co. III LLC (Sander), licensee of KGW, channel 8, Portland, Oregon, requesting the substitution of channel 26 for channel 8 at Portland in the DTV Table of Allotments. The Bureau had instituted a freeze on the acceptance of rulemaking petitions by full power television stations requesting channel substitutions in May 2011 and waived the freeze to consider Sander’s proposal to substitute channel 26 at Portland. TEGNA, Inc., filed comments in support of the petition reaffirming its commitment to applying for channel 26. The Bureau believes the public interest would be served by the substitution and

will permit the station to better serve its viewers, who have experienced reception problems with VHF channel 8.

DATES: Effective December 28, 2020.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s *Report and Order*, MB Docket No. 20–334; RM–11864; DA 20–1435, adopted and released on December 2, 2020. The full text of this document is available for download at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs>. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to *fcc504@fcc.gov* or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202–418–0530 (voice), 202–418–0432 (tty).

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The Commission will send a copy of this *Report and Order* in a report to be sent to Congress and the Government Accountability Office pursuant to the Congressional review Act, *see* 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Television.

Federal Communications Commission.

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Final Rules

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

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICE

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

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, 336, and 339.

§ 73.622 [Amended]

■ 2. Section 73.622 is amended in paragraph (i), in the Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments under Oregon, by removing channel 8 and adding

channel 26 in numerical order at Portland.

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DEPARTMENT OF VETERANS AFFAIRS

48 CFR Part 825

RIN 2900–AQ79

VA Acquisition Regulation: Foreign Acquisition

AGENCY: Department of Veterans Affairs.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) is amending and updating its VA Acquisition Regulation (VAAR) in phased increments to revise or remove any policy superseded by changes in the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR), to remove any procedural guidance internal to VA into the VA Acquisition Manual (VAAM), and to incorporate any new agency specific regulations or policies. These changes seek to streamline and align the VAAR with the FAR and remove outdated and duplicative requirements and reduce burden on contractors. The VAAM incorporates portions of the removed VAAR as well as other internal agency acquisition policy. VA will rewrite certain parts of the VAAR and VAAM, and as VAAR parts are rewritten, will publish them in the **Federal Register**. In particular, this rulemaking removes VAAR coverage concerning Foreign Acquisition.

DATES: This rule is effective on January 27, 2021.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On June 9, 2020, VA published a proposed rule in the **Federal Register** (85 FR 35238) which announced VA’s intent to amend regulations for VAAR Case RIN 2900–AQ79—VA Acquisition Regulation: Foreign Acquisition. VA provided a 60-day comment period for the public to respond to the proposed rule and submit comments. The comment period for the proposed rule ended on August 10, 2020 and VA received comments from seven respondents. This rule adopts as a final rule the proposed rule published in the **Federal Register** on June 9, 2020, with the exception of minor formatting edits.