9. Safe Harbor. (i) The safe harbor provided in section 27A of the Securities Act and section 21E of the Exchange Act ("statutory safe harbors") shall apply to forward-looking information provided pursuant to general instruction B.7. of this form 40–F, provided that the disclosure is made by: an issuer; a person acting on behalf of the issuer; an outside reviewer retained by the issuer making a statement on behalf of the issuer; or an underwriter, with respect to information provided by the issuer or information derived from information provided by the issuer.

(ii) For purposes of paragraph (i) of this general instruction B.9. only, all information required by general instruction B.7.(i)(D) and B.7.(ii) of this form 40–F is deemed to be a "forward looking statement" as that term is defined in the statutory safe harbors, except for historical facts.

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Dated: November 4, 2002. By the Commission.

Jill M. Peterson,

Assistant Secretary.

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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

40 CFR Part 131

[FRL-7406-2]

Withdrawal of Federal Human Health and Aquatic Life Water Quality Criteria for Toxic Pollutants Applicable to Michigan

AGENCY: Environmental Protection

Agency (EPA).

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: EPA is proposing to amend the Federal regulations to withdraw water quality criteria applicable to

Michigan.

In the "Rules and Regulations" section of this **Federal Register**, EPA is promulgating a direct final rule withdrawing the Federal water quality criteria applicable to Michigan because EPA views this as a noncontroversial action and anticipates no adverse comment. EPA has explained our reasons for this action in the preamble to the direct final rule. If EPA receives no adverse comments, the Agency will not take further action on this proposed rule. If EPA receives adverse comment, the Agency will withdraw the direct final rule and it will not take effect. EPA will address all public comments in a subsequent final rule based on this proposed rule. EPA will not institute a second comment period on this action. Any parties interested in commenting must do so at this time.

DATES: EPA will accept public comments on its proposed withdrawal of these criteria until December 9, 2002. Comments postmarked after this date may not be considered.

ADDRESSES: Please send an original and three copies of comments and enclosures (including references) to W-01-15, WQCR Comment Clerk; Water Docket, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW, MC-4101T, Washington, DC 20460. Alternatively, comments may be submitted electronically in ASCII or Word Perfect 5.1, 5.2, 6.1, or 8.0 formats avoiding the use of special characters and any form of encryption to OW-Docket@epa.gov. Identify electronic comments by the docket number W-01-15. Submit hand delivered comments to W-01-15, EPA's Water Docket, U.S. EPA, EPA West, 1301 Constitution Ave NW, Room B135, Washington DC 20460. No facsimiles (faxes) will be accepted. Comments will be available at the Water Docket, 202-566-2426, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays, during normal business hours of 8:30 am to 4:30 p.m.

The supporting record for this rulemaking may be inspected at EPA Region 5, Office of Water, 77 West Jackson Boulevard, 16th Floor, Chicago, IL 60604–3507, Monday through Friday, excluding legal holidays, during normal business hours of 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Please contact Dave Pfeifer, as listed in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT section, before arriving.

A copy of Michigan's water quality standards may be obtained electronically from EPA's Water Quality Standards Repository, at http://www.epa.gov/waterscience/standards/wqslibrary/mi/mi.html.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Manjali Gupta Vlcan at EPA Headquarters, Office of Water (4305T), 1200 Pennsylvania Ave NW., Washington, DC, 20460 (tel: 202–566–0373, fax 202–566–0409) or email at *vlcan.manjali@epa.gov*, or Dave Pfeifer in EPA's Region 5 at 312–353–9024 or e-mail at *pfeifer.david@epa.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This action concerns EPA's withdrawing of the Federal water quality criteria applicable to Michigan from 40 CFR 31.36 (the NTR). For further information, including the various statutes and executive orders that require findings for rulemakings, please see the information provided in the direct final rule titled "Withdrawal of Federal Human Health and Aquatic Life Water Quality Criteria for Toxic Pollutants Applicable to Michigan" located in the "Rules and Regulations"

section of this **Federal Register** Publication.

List of Subjects in 40 CFR Part 131

Environmental protection, Indians—land, Intergovernmental relations, Reporting and recordkeeping requirements, Water pollution control.

Dated: November 1, 2002.

Christine Todd Whitman,

Administrator.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 27 and 90

[WT Docket No. 96-86; FCC 02-272]

The Development of Operational, Technical and Spectrum Requirements for Meeting Federal, State and Local Public Safety Agency Communication Requirements Through the Year 2010

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) proposes various technical and operational rules and policies regarding emission limitations in the narrowband portion of the 764–776 MHz and 794–806 MHz bands. This action follows recommendations proposed by the Private Radio Section (PRS) of the Telecommunication Industry Association (TIA). These Commission actions will facilitate public safety capabilities in the 700 MHz Band.

DATES: Comments are due on or before December 9, 2002, and reply comments are due on or before December 23, 2002.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW., TW– A325, Washington, DC 20554. See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION for filing instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Roberto Mussenden, Esq., rmussend@fcc.gov, Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, at (202) 418–0680, or TTY (202) 418–7233.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's *Sixth Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC