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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 09–1828; MB Docket No. 09–118; RM–
11545]

Television Broadcasting Services; Ann Arbor, Michigan

AGENCY: Federal Communications
Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission grants a petition for rulemaking filed by ION Media Licensee Company, LLC, Debtor-In-Possession (“ION”), the licensee of WPXD-TV, digital channel 31, Ann Arbor, Michigan. ION requests the substitution of digital channel 50 for digital channel 31 at Ann Arbor.

DATES: This rule is effective September 1, 2009.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Adrienne Y. Denysyk, Media Bureau, (202) 418–1600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission’s *Report and Order*, MB Docket No. 09–118, adopted August 12, 2009, and released August 18, 2009. The full text of this document is available for public inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC’s Reference Information Center at Portals II, CY–A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. This document will also be available via ECFS (<http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>). (Documents will be available electronically in ASCII, Word 97, and/or Adobe Acrobat.) This document may be purchased from the Commission’s duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY–B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone 1–800–478–3160 or via e-mail <http://www.BCPIWEB.com>. To request this document in accessible formats (computer diskettes, large print, audio recording, and Braille), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Commission’s Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202)

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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, Television broadcasting.

■ For the reasons discussed in the preamble, the Federal Communications Commission amends 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, 336.

§ 73.622 [Amended]

■ 2. Section 73.622(i), the Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments under Michigan, is amended by adding DTV channel 50 and removing DTV channel 31 at Ann Arbor.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 74

[MB Docket No. 07–172; FCC 09–59]

Amendment of Service and Eligibility Rules for FM Broadcast Translator Stations

AGENCY: Federal Communications
Commission.

ACTION: Final rule.

SUMMARY: The FCC amended its FM translator rules to allow AM stations to use currently authorized FM translators for “fill-in” service within their current coverage areas, to help them provide a

listenable signal to their listeners and better serve their local communities.

DATES: Effective October 1, 2009, except for 47 CFR 74.1284, which affects information collection requirements that are not effective until approved by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB). The FCC will publish a document in the **Federal Register** announcing the effective date for that section.

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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Tom Hutton (legal issues) or James Bradshaw (engineering issues), Media Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, (202) 418–2700.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission’s Report and Order (Order) in MB Docket No. 07–172, FCC 09–59, adopted and released June 29, 2009, Amendment of Service and Eligibility Rules for FM Broadcast Translator Stations. Previously, FM translators were only authorized to rebroadcast FM radio stations and other FM translator stations. The rule changes in the Order allow FM translators to rebroadcast AM radio stations within those stations’ current coverage areas. In addition, AM stations with daytime-only facilities will be allowed to originate programming on such FM translators during periods when the AM stations are not operating. These changes are intended to help AM stations provide a listenable signal throughout their current coverage areas and better serve the listening public.

Synopsis of Order

1. The Order describes several limitations and competitive challenges that AM stations face. The emergence of higher fidelity sources of audio programming, including FM broadcasts, satellite radio, personal media players and podcasts and audio streams provided through the Internet, has eroded the audience for AM stations, particularly among younger age groups. Sources of man-made interference have multiplied, creating a higher level of interference to AM signals at all hours. Skywave interference creates even greater problems starting before sunset and continuing after sunrise. Although the Commission has undertaken AM improvement efforts in the past, those efforts have not overcome the fundamental problems of AM radio and the erosion of the AM radio audience has increased to a point not previously experienced. The Order finds that the record in this proceeding clearly indicates a strong need and desire by