

FY 2003 RADIO STATION REGULATORY FEES—Continued

Population served	AM Class A	AM Class B	AM Class C	AM Class D	FM Classes A, B1 & C3	FM Classes B, C, C1 & C2
500,001 to 1,200,000	3,900	2,925	1,625	2,000	3,200	3,900
1,200,001 to 3,000,000	6,000	4,500	2,450	3,200	5,225	6,250
>3,000,000	7,200	5,400	3,100	4,000	6,650	8,125

Attachment E**Factors, Measurements and Calculations that Go into Determining Station Signal Contours and Associated Population Coverages***AM Stations*

Specific information on each day tower, including field ratio, phasing, spacing and orientation was retrieved, as well as the theoretical pattern RMS figure (mV/m @ 1 km) for the antenna system. The standard, or modified standard if pertinent, horizontal plane radiation pattern was calculated using techniques and methods specified in section 73.150 and 73.152 of the Commission's rules.¹⁶⁵ Radiation values were calculated for each of 72 radials around the transmitter site (every 5 degrees of azimuth). Next, estimated soil conductivity data was retrieved from a database representing the information in FCC Figure M3. Using the calculated horizontal radiation values, and the retrieved soil conductivity data, the distance to the city grade (5 mV/m) contour was predicted for each of the 72 radials. The resulting distance to city grade contours were used to form a geographical polygon. Population counting was accomplished by determining which 2000 block centroids were contained in the polygon. The sum of the population figures for all enclosed blocks represents the total population for the predicted city grade coverage area.

FM Stations

The maximum of the horizontal and vertical HAAT (m) and ERP (kW) was used. Where the antenna HAMS was available, it was used in lieu of the overall HAAT figure to calculate specific HAAT figures for each of 72 radials under study. Any available directional pattern information was applied as well, to produce a radial-specific ERP figure. The HAAT and ERP figures were used in conjunction with the propagation curves specified in section 73.313 of the Commission's rules to predict the distance to the city grade (70 dBuV/m or 3.17 mV/m) contour for each of the 72 radials.¹⁶⁶ The resulting distance to city grade contours were used to form a geographical polygon. Population counting was accomplished by determining which 2000 block centroids were contained in the polygon. The sum of the population figures for all enclosed blocks represents the total population for the predicted city grade coverage area.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**47 CFR Part 73**

[DA 03-816; MB Docket No. 03-77; RM-10660]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Ashland, AL, Atlanta, GA, Coaling, Cordova, Decatur, Dora, Hackleburg, Hobson City, Holly Pond, Midfield, Sylacauga, and Tuscaloosa, AL

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: This *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* requests comments on a petition for rule making filed jointly by Cox Radio, Inc. and its wholly-owned subsidiary CXR Holdings, Inc. Cox proposes to downgrade Station WBHJ(FM), Channel 239C1 to Channel 239C2 and move the station from Tuscaloosa, Alabama, to Midfield, Alabama, as Midfield's first local aural transmission service. To accommodate the foregoing changes, Cox proposes to (a) reallocate Channel 238A, Station WFMH-FM, from Holly Pond, Alabama, to Hackleburg, Alabama, as Hackleburg's first local service; (b) replace the local service at Holly Pond by reallocating Channel 245C, Station WRSA(FM), from Decatur, Alabama, to Holly Pond; (c) reallocate Channel 237A, Station WFFN(FM), from Cordova, Alabama, to Coaling, Alabama, as Coaling's first local service; (d) and replace the local service at Cordova by reallocating Channel 223A, Station WQOP-FM, from Dora, Alabama, to Cordova. Further, Cox proposes to (e) reallocate Channel 238A, Station WASZ(FM), from Ashland, Alabama, to Hobson City, Alabama, as Hobson City's first local FM and second local aural transmission service; (f) replace the sole local operating service at Ashland by reallocating Channel 252A, Station WTRB-FM, from Sylacauga to Ashland; and (g) to accommodate the reallocation of Channel 252A to Ashland, to reclassify Channel 253C, Station WSB-FM, Atlanta, Georgia, to Channel 253C0. The licensee of Station WSB-FM, CXR Holdings, Inc. has agreed to the

foregoing reclassification. *See SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.*

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before May 12, 2003, and reply comments on or before May 27, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW., Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. In addition to filing comments with the FCC, interested parties should serve the Joint Petitioners' counsel, as follows: Kevin F. Reed, Esq., Elizabeth A. M. McFadden, Esq., and Nam E. Kim, Esq., Down Lohnes & Albertson, PLLC; 1200 New Hampshire Avenue, NW., Suite 800; Washington, DC 20036.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's notice of proposed rule making, MB Docket No. 03-77, adopted March 19, 2003, and released March 21, 2003. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during regular business hours in the FCC's Reference Information Center at Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., CY-A257, Washington, DC, 20554. This document may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractors, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, telephone 202-863-2893, facsimile 202-863-2898, or via e-mail qualexint@aol.com. The coordinates for requested Channel 239C2 at Midfield, Alabama are 33-24-50 NL and 87-01-05 WL, with a site restriction of 11.4 kilometers (7.1 miles) southwest of Midfield. The coordinates for requested Channel 238A at Hackleburg, Alabama, are 34-13-15 NL and 87-45-00 WL, with a site restriction of 9.5 kilometers (5.9 miles) southeast of Hackleburg. The coordinates for requested Channel 245C at Holly Pond are 34-29-23 NL and 86-37-38 WL, with a site restriction of 35.1 kilometers (21.8 miles) north of Holly Pond. The coordinates for requested Channel 237A at Coaling, Alabama, are 33-04-58 NL and 87-27-02 WL, with a site restriction of 13.4 kilometers (8.3 miles) southwest of Coaling. The coordinates for requested Channel 223A at Cordova are

¹⁶⁵ 47 CFR 73.150 and 73.152.

¹⁶⁶ 47 CFR 73.313.