FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[DA 01-01, MM Docket No. 01-1, RM-10013]

Digital Television Broadcast Service; Macon. GA

AGENCY: Federal Communications

Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission requests comments on a petition filed by Gannett Georgia, L.P., licensee of station WMAZ-TV, NTSC channel 13, Macon, Georgia, requesting the substitution of DTV channel 4 for station WMAZ-TV's assigned DTV channel 45. DTV Channel 4 can be allotted to Macon, Georgia, in compliance with the principal community coverage requirements of Section 73.625(a) at reference coordinates (32-45-10 N. and 83-33-32 W.). As requested, we propose to allot DTV Channel 4 to Macon with a power of 5.0 and a height above average terrain (HAAT) of 238 meters.

DATES: Comments must be filed on or before February 26, 2001, and reply comments on or before March 13, 2001.

ADDRESSES: 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 petitioner, or its counsel or consultant, as follows: Marnie K. Sarver, Wiley, Rein & Fielding, 1776 K Street, NW., Washington, DC 20006 (Counsel for Gannett Georgia, L.P.).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Pam Blumenthal, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418–1600.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 01–1, adopted January 2, 2001, 2000, and released January 5, 2000. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center, 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.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this

one, which involve channel allotments. See 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contacts.

For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, see 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Television, Digital television broadcasting.

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

PART 73—TELEVISION BROADCAST SERVICES

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

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

§73.622 [Amended]

2. Section 73.622(b), the Table of Digital Television Allotments under Georgia is amended by removing DTV Channel 45 and adding DTV Channel 4 at Macon.

Federal Communications Commission.

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