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available in the area to meet realistic estimates of current and future demand for paging, two-way mobile and rural radiotelephone services. In the case of conventional rural radiotelephone central office stations, an explanation must be provided as to why BETRS technology is not being used instead of additional channel pairs.

CONVENTIONAL RURAL RADIOTELEPHONE STATIONS

§ 22.721 Geographic area authorizations.

Eligible persons may apply for a paging geographic area authorization in the Rural Radiotelephone Service, on the channel pairs listed in § 22.725, by following the procedures and requirements set forth in § 22.503 for paging geographic area authorizations.

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§ 22.723 Secondary site-by-site authorizations.

Authorizations for new facilities (including new sites and additional channel pairs for existing sites) in the Rural Radiotelephone Service (including BETRS facilities) may be granted after May 12, 1997 only on the condition that such authorizations shall be secondary to any existing or future co-channel paging geographic area authorization in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service or the Rural Radiotelephone Service. If the paging geographic area licensee notifies the Rural Radiotelephone Service licensee that operation of a co-channel secondary facility must be discontinued because it may cause interference to existing or planned facilities, the Rural Radiotelephone Service licensee must discontinue operation of that facility on the particular channel pair involved no later than six months after such notice.

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§ 22.725 Channels for conventional rural radiotelephone stations and basic exchange telephone radio systems.

The following channels are allocated for paired assignment to transmitters that provide conventional rural radio-

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telephone service and to transmitters in basic exchange telephone radio systems. These channels may be assigned for use by central office or rural subscriber stations as indicated, and inter-office stations. These channels may be assigned also for use by relay stations in systems where it would be impractical to provide rural radiotelephone service without the use of relay stations. All channels have a bandwidth of 20 kHz and are designated by their center frequencies in MegaHertz.

| Central office | Rural subscriber | Central office | Rural subscriber |
|---------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| VHF Channels | | | |
| 152.03 | 158.49 | 152.57 | 157.83 |
| 152.06 | 158.52 | 152.60 | 157.86 |
| 152.09 | 158.55 | 152.63 | 157.89 |
| 152.12 | 158.58 | 152.66 | 157.92 |
| 152.15 | 158.61 | 152.69 | 157.95 |
| 152.18 | 158.64 | 152.72 | 157.98 |
| 152.21 | 158.67 | 152.75 | 158.01 |
| 152.51 | 157.77 | 152.78 | 158.04 |
| 152.54 | 157.80 | 152.81 | 158.07 |
| UHF Channels | | | |
| 454.025 | 459.025 | 454.350 | 459.350 |
| 454.050 | 459.050 | 454.375 | 459.375 |
| 454.075 | 459.075 | 454.400 | 459.400 |
| 454.100 | 459.100 | 454.425 | 459.425 |
| 454.125 | 459.125 | 454.450 | 459.450 |
| 454.150 | 459.150 | 454.475 | 459.475 |
| 454.175 | 459.175 | 454.500 | 459.500 |
| 454.200 | 459.200 | 454.525 | 459.525 |
| 454.225 | 459.225 | 454.550 | 459.550 |
| 454.250 | 459.250 | 454.575 | 459.575 |
| 454.275 | 459.275 | 454.600 | 459.600 |
| 454.300 | 459.300 | 454.625 | 459.625 |
| 454.325 | 459.325 | 454.650 | 459.650 |

(a) The channels listed in this section are also allocated for assignment in the Paging and Radiotelephone Service.

(b) In Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands, channels in the 154.04-154.46 MHz and 161.40-161.85 MHz frequency ranges may be assigned to transmitters providing rural radiotelephone service; channels in these ranges are also allocated for assignment in the International Fixed Public and Aeronautical Fixed radio services.

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