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applicant, permittee, or licensee written statements of fact relevant to a determination whether an application should be granted or denied, or to a determination whether a license should be revoked, or to any other matter within the jurisdiction of the Commission, or, in the case of a proceeding to amend the FM or Television Table of Allotments, require from any person filing an expression of interest, written statements of fact relevant to that allotment proceeding. Any such statements of fact are subject to the provisions of § 1.17 of this chapter.

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§ 73.1020 Station license period.

(a) Initial licenses for broadcast stations will ordinarily be issued for a period running until the date specified in this section for the State or Territory in which the station is located. If issued after such date, it will run to the next renewal date determined in accordance with this section. Both radio and TV broadcasting stations will ordinarily be renewed for 8 years. However, if the FCC finds that the public interest, convenience and necessity will be served thereby, it may issue either an initial license or a renewal thereof for a lesser term. The time of expiration of normally issued initial and renewal licenses will be 3 a.m., local time, on the following dates and thereafter at 8-year intervals for radio and TV broadcast stations located in:

- (1) Maryland, District of Columbia, Virginia and West Virginia:
 - (i) Radio stations, October 1, 1995.
 - (ii) Television stations, October 1, 1996.
- (2) North Carolina and South Carolina:
 - (i) Radio stations, December 1, 1995.
 - (ii) Television stations, December 1, 1996.
- (3) Florida, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands:
 - (i) Radio stations, February 1, 1996.
 - (ii) Television stations, February 1, 1997.
- (4) Alabama and Georgia:
 - (i) Radio stations, April 1, 1996.
 - (ii) Television stations, April 1, 1997.
- (5) Arkansas, Louisiana and Mississippi:
 - (i) Radio stations, June 1, 1996.

- (ii) Television stations, June 1, 1997.
- (6) Tennessee, Kentucky and Indiana:
 - (i) Radio stations, August 1, 1996.
 - (ii) Television stations, August 1, 1997.
- (7) Ohio and Michigan:
 - (i) Radio stations, October 1, 1996.
 - (ii) Television stations, October 1, 1997.
- (8) Illinois and Wisconsin:
 - (i) Radio stations, December 1, 1996.
 - (ii) Television stations, December 1, 1997.
- (9) Iowa and Missouri:
 - (i) Radio stations, February 1, 1997.
 - (ii) Television stations, February 1, 1998.
- (10) Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota, Montana and Colorado:
 - (i) Radio stations, April 1, 1997.
 - (ii) Television stations, April 1, 1998.
- (11) Kansas, Oklahoma and Nebraska:
 - (i) Radio stations, June 1, 1997.
 - (ii) Television stations, June 1, 1998.
- (12) Texas:
 - (i) Radio stations, August 1, 1997.
 - (ii) Television stations, August 1, 1998.
- (13) Wyoming, Nevada, Arizona, Utah, New Mexico and Idaho:
 - (i) Radio stations, October 1, 1997.
 - (ii) Television stations, October 1, 1998.
- (14) California:
 - (i) Radio stations, December 1, 1997.
 - (ii) Television stations, December 1, 1998.
- (15) Alaska, American Samoa, Guam, Hawaii, Mariana Islands, Oregon and Washington:
 - (i) Radio stations, February 1, 1998.
 - (ii) Television stations, February 1, 1999.
- (16) Connecticut, Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire, Rhode Island and Vermont:
 - (i) Radio stations, April 1, 1998.
 - (ii) Television stations, April 1, 1999.
- (17) New Jersey and New York:
 - (i) Radio stations, June 1, 1998.
 - (ii) Television stations, June 1, 1999.
- (18) Delaware and Pennsylvania:
 - (i) Radio stations, August 1, 1998.
 - (ii) Television stations, August 1, 1999.
- (b) For the cutoff date for the filing of applications mutually exclusive with renewal applications that are filed on or before May 1, 1995 and for the

deadline for filing petitions to deny renewal applications, see § 73.3516(e).

(c) The license of a broadcasting station that fails to transmit broadcast signals for any consecutive 12-month period expires as a matter of law at the end of that period, notwithstanding any provision, term, or condition of the license to the contrary.

(Secs. 4, 5, 303, 48 Stat., as amended, 1066, 1068, 1082 (47 U.S.C. 154, 155, 303))

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§ 73.1030 Notifications concerning interference to radio astronomy, research and receiving installations.

(a)(1) *Radio astronomy and radio research installations.* In order to minimize harmful interference at the National Radio Astronomy Observatory site located at Green, Pocahontas County, West Virginia, and at the Naval Radio Research Observatory at Sugar Grove, Pendleton County, West Virginia, a licensee proposing to operate a short-term broadcast auxiliary station pursuant to § 74.24, and any applicant for authority to construct a new broadcast station, or for authority to make changes in the frequency, power, antenna height, or antenna directivity of an existing station within the area bounded by 39°15' N on the north, 78°30' W on the east, 37°30' N on the south, and 80°30' W on the west, shall notify the Interference Office, National Radio Astronomy Observatory, P.O. Box 2, Green Bank, West Virginia 24944. Telephone: (304) 456-2011. The notification shall be in writing and set forth the particulars of the proposed station, including the geographical coordinates of the antenna, antenna height, antenna directivity if any, proposed frequency, type of emission and power. The notification shall be made prior to, or simultaneously with, the filing of the application with the Commission. After receipt of such applications, the FCC will allow a period of 20 days for comments or objections in response to the notifications indicated. If an objection to the proposed operation is received during the 20-day period from the National Radio Astronomy Observatory for itself, or on behalf of

the Naval Radio Research Observatory, the FCC will consider all aspects of the problem and take whatever action is deemed appropriate.

(2) Any applicant for a new permanent base or fixed station authorization to be located on the islands of Puerto Rico, Desecheo, Mona, Vieques, and Culebra, or for a modification of an existing authorization which would change the frequency, power, antenna height, directivity, or location of a station on these islands and would increase the likelihood of the authorized facility causing interference, shall notify the Interference Office, Arecibo Observatory, HC3 Box 53995, Arecibo, Puerto Rico 00612, in writing or electronically, of the technical parameters of the proposal. Applicants may wish to consult interference guidelines, which will be provided by Cornell University. Applicants who choose to transmit information electronically should e-mail to: prcz@naic.edu.

(i) The notification to the Interference Office, Arecibo Observatory shall be made prior to, or simultaneously with, the filing of the application with the Commission. The notification shall state the geographical coordinates of the antenna (NAD-83 datum), antenna height above ground, ground elevation at the antenna, antenna directivity and gain, proposed frequency and FCC Rule Part, type of emission, and effective radiated power.

(ii) After receipt of such applications, the Commission will allow the Arecibo Observatory a period of 20 days for comments or objections in response to the notification indicated. The applicant will be required to make reasonable efforts to resolve or mitigate any potential interference problem with the Arecibo Observatory and to file either an amendment to the application or a modification application, as appropriate. The Commission shall determine whether an applicant has satisfied its responsibility to make reasonable efforts to protect the Observatory from interference.

(b) *Radio receiving installations.* Protection for Table Mountain Radio Receiving Zone, Boulder County, Colorado: Applicants for a station authorization to operate in the vicinity of Boulder County, Colorado under this