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Subpart A—General

§78.1 Purpose.

The rules and regulations set forth in this part provide for the licensing and operation of fixed or mobile cable television relay service stations (CARS) used for the transmission of television and related audio signals, signals of standard and FM broadcast stations, signals of BRS/EBS fixed stations, and cablecasting from the point of reception to a terminal point from which the signals are distributed to the public by cable. In addition CARS stations may be used to transmit television and related audio signals to TV translator and low-power TV stations.

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§78.3 Other pertinent rules.

Other pertinent provisions of the Commission's rules and regulations relating to the cable television relay service (CARS) are included in the following parts of this chapter:

Part 0-Commission Organization.

Part 1—Practice and Procedure.

Part 2—Frequency Allocations and Radio Treaty Matters; General Rules and Regulations.

Part 17—Construction Marking and Lighting of Antenna Structures.

Part 21—Domestic Public Fixed Radio Services. Part 74—Experimental, Auxiliary, and Special Broadcast, and Other Program Distribution Services.

Part 76—Cable Television Service.

Part 101—Fixed Microwave Services.

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§78.5 Definitions.

For purposes of this part, the following definitions are applicable. For other definitions, see part 76 (Cable Television Service) of this chapter.

(a) Cable television relay service (CARS) station. A fixed or mobile station used for the transmission of television and related audio signals, signals of standard and FM broadcast stations, signals of instructional television fixed stations, and cablecasting from the point of reception to a terminal point from the point of reception to a terminal point from which the signals are distributed to the public.

NOTE: Except where the rules contained in this part make separate provision, the term "Cable Television Relay service" or "CARS" includes the term "Local Distribution Service" or "LDS," the term "Cable Television Relay service Studio to Headend Link" or "SHL," and the term "Cable Television Relay PICKUP," as defined in paragraphs (b), (c), and (d) of this section.

(b) Local distribution service (LDS) station. A fixed CARS station used within a cable television system or systems for the transmission of television signals and related audio signals, signals of standard and FM broadcast stations, signals of instructional television fixed stations, and cablecasting from a local transmission point to one or more receiving points, from which the communications are distributed to the public. LDS stations may also engage in repeatered operation.

(c) Cable Television Relay Service Studio to Headend Link (SHL) station. A fixed CARS station used for the transmission of television program material and related communications from a cable television studio to the headend of a cable television system.

(d) Cable Television Relay Service PICKUP station. A land mobile CARS station used for the transmission of television signals and related communications from the scenes of events occurring at points removed from cable

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