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Designated Area	Designation		Classification	
	Date	Type	Date	Type
18. Thence westerly along the southern line of Township 9 South to a point where the southern line of Township 9 South intersects the western line of Range 7 East;				
19. Thence northerly along the western line of Range 7 East to a point where the western line of Range 7 East intersects the southern line of Township 8 South;				
20. Thence westerly along the southern line of Township 8 South to a point where the southern line of Township 8 South intersects the western line of Range 6 East;				
21. Thence northerly along the western line of Range 6 East to a point where the western line of Range 6 East intersects the southern line of Township 7 South;				
22. Thence, westerly along the southern line of Township 7 South to a point where the southern line of Township 7 South intersects the quarter section line common to the southwestern southwest quarter section and the southeastern southwest quarter section of section 34, Range 3 East and Township 7 South;				
23. Thence, northerly along the along the quarter section line common to the southwestern southwest quarter section and the southeastern southwest quarter section of sections 34, 27, 22, and 15, Range 3 East and Township 7 South, to a point where the quarter section line common to the southwestern southwest quarter section and the southeastern southwest quarter section of sections 34, 27, 22, and 15, Range 3 East and Township 7 South, intersects the northern line of section 15, Range 3 East and Township 7 South;				
24. Thence, westerly along the northern line of sections 15, 16, 17, and 18, Range 3 East and Township 7 South, and the northern line of sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, Range 2 East and Township 7 South, to a point where the northern line of sections 15, 16, 17, and 18, Range 3 East and Township 7 South, and the northern line of sections 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, and 18, Range 2 East and Township 7 South, intersect the western line of Range 2 East, which is the common boundary between Maricopa and Pinal Counties, as described in Arizona Revised Statutes sections 11–109 and 11–113;				
25. Thence, northerly along the western line of Range 2 East to the point of beginning which is the point where the western line of Range 2 East intersects the northern line of Township 4 South;				
26. Except that portion of the area defined by paragraphs 1 through 25 above that lies within the Ak-Chin Indian Reservation, Gila River Indian Reservation, and the Tohono O'odham Nation's Florence Village and San Lucy Farms.				
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**47 CFR Parts 22 and 90****[DA 12–643]****Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Suspend Acceptance and Processing of Certain Applications for 470–512 MHz Spectrum****AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.**ACTION:** Final rule; limited suspension of specific applications.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) announce a limited suspension of the acceptance and processing of certain applications for certain services operating in the 470–512 MHz (T–Band) spectrum band in order to maintain a stable spectral landscape while the Commission determines how to implement recent spectrum legislation contained in the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012. The suspension applies only to applications for new or expanded use of T–Band frequencies.

DATES: This suspension is effective May 31, 2012. It has been enforced with actual notice since April 26, 2012.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th St. SW., Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For additional information or questions, please contact Mr. Keith Harper of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, (202) 418-2759, Keith.Harper@fcc.gov, regarding Part 22 applications; Mr. Terry Fishel of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, (717) 338-2602, Terry.Fishel@fcc.gov, regarding Part 90 Industrial/Business Pool applications; or Mr. Tracy Simmons of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, (717) 338-2657, Tracy.Simmons@fcc.gov, regarding Part 90 Public Safety Pool applications.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's *Public Notice*, ("PN") in DA 12-643, which was released on April 26, 2012. The full text of this document available for public inspection and copying during business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th St., SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC, 20554 or by downloading the text from the Commission's Web site at <http://www.fcc.gov/>. The complete text also may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, Suite CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554. Alternative formats are available for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), by sending an email to FCC504@fcc.gov or calling the Consumer and Government Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

Synopsis of the Public Notice

On April 26, 2012, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau released a *Public Notice* which suspended the acceptance and processing of certain applications for Part 22 and 90 services operating in the 470-512 MHz spectrum band (T-Band). The suspension will serve to stabilize the spectral environment while the Commission considers issues surrounding future use of the T-Band, solicits input from interested parties, and determines how best to implement recent spectrum legislation contained in the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012.¹

The filing and processing suspension applies only to applications for new or expanded use of T-Band frequencies for the following radio services in the 470-512 MHz band:

Part 22 Public Mobile Services: Paging and Radiotelephone (radio service code CD), Offshore Radiotelephone (radio service code CO)

Part 90 Industrial/Business Pool: Industrial/Business Pool—Conventional (radio service code IG), Industrial/Business Pool—Commercial, Conventional (radio service code IK), Industrial/Business Pool—Trunked (radio service code YG), Industrial/Business Pool—Commercial, Trunked (radio service code YK)

Part 90 Public Safety Pool: Public Safety Pool—Conventional (radio service code PW), Public Safety Pool—Trunked (radio service code YW).

As such, effective immediately and until further notice, the Bureaus will not accept or process (1) applications for new licenses; (2) applications that seek to modify existing licenses by adding or changing frequencies or locations; (3) applications that seek to modify existing licenses by changing technical parameters in a manner that expands the station's spectral or geographic footprint, such as, but not limited to, increases in bandwidth, power level, antenna height, or area of operation; and (4) any other application that could increase the degree to which the 470-512 MHz band currently is licensed. We clarify that affected applications that are now pending will not be further processed until the Commission decides how to implement the Act, except that defective applications and applications in return status that are not timely resubmitted will be dismissed.

The decision to impose this suspension is procedural in nature, and therefore is not subject to the notice, comment, and effective date requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act.² Moreover, there was good cause for not delaying the effect of the

nine years after the date of enactment, the Commission shall "reallocate the spectrum in the 470-512 MHz band * * * currently used by public safety eligibles * * *." *Id.* at 6103(a). The Act instructs the Commission to "begin a system of competitive bidding under section 309(j) of the Communications Act of 1934 (47 U.S.C. 309(j)) to grant new initial licenses for the use of the spectrum." *Id.* It also provides that "relocation of public safety entities from the T-Band Spectrum" shall be completed not later than two years after completion of the system of competitive bidding. *Id.* at 6103(b) and (c).

² See 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(A), (d); see also, e.g., *Neighborhood TV Co. v. FCC*, 742 F.2d 629, 637-38 (D.C. Cir. 1984) (holding that the Commission's filing freeze is a procedural rule not subject to the notice and comment requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act); *Buckeye Cablevision, Inc. v. United States*, 438 F.2d 948, 952-53 (6th Cir. 1971).

suspension until after publication in the **Federal Register**. Such a delay would have been impractical, unnecessary, and contrary to the public interest because it would undercut the purposes of the suspension.³

Procedural Matters

1. Paperwork Reduction Act Analysis

This document does not contain proposed information collection(s) subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104-13. In addition, therefore, it does not contain any new or modified "information collection burden for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees," pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork relief Act of 2002, Public Law 107-198, See 44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(4).

2. Congressional Review Act

The Commission's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Reference Information Center, SHALL SEND a copy of this *Public Notice* in a report to be sent to Congress and the Government Accountability Office pursuant to the Congressional Review Act, see 5 U.S.C. 801(a)(1)(A).

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 73

[MB Docket No. 09-52; FCC 11-190]

Policies To Promote Rural Radio Service and To Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; announcement of effective date.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission announces that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, for a period of three years, the information collection requirements and form revisions associated with the Commission's rules contained in the Third Report and Order, FCC 11-190, pertaining to the policies to promote rural radio service and to streamline allotment and assignment procedures. This notice is consistent with the Third Report and Order, which stated that the Commission would publish a document

¹ Public Law 112-96, 126 Stat. 156 (2012). Section 6103 of the Act provides that, not later than

³ See 5 U.S.C. 553(b)(B), (d)(3).