

**Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
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Amendment of Section 73.622(j),)	MB Docket No. 24-153
Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast)	RM-11983
Stations (Augusta, Georgia))	

**REPORT AND ORDER
(Proceeding Terminated)**

Adopted: August 27, 2024

Released: August 27, 2024

By the Chief, Video Division, Media Bureau:

1. The Video Division, Media Bureau (Bureau), has before it a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking¹ issued in response to a Petition for Rulemaking filed by Gray Television Licensee, LLC (Gray), the licensee of WRDW-TV (Station or WRDW-TV), Augusta, Georgia (Augusta).² Gray requests amendment of the Table of TV Allotments³ to substitute channel 12 for channel 27. Gray filed comments in support of the Petition, as required by the Commission's rules (rules), reaffirming its interest in the proposed channel substitution and that it will promptly file an application seeking authorization on channel 12.⁴ No other comments were received.

2. We conclude that the public interest would be served by substituting channel 12 for channel 27 at Augusta. On May 15, 2021, the Bureau granted a petition for rulemaking submitted by Gray to substitute channel 27 for channel 12 at Augusta for WRDW-TV.⁵ Gray was also granted a construction permit to construct a facility on channel 27 at Augusta, but was unable complete construction of the channel 27 facility by the expiration date – June 25, 2024.⁶ Thus, Gray requests amendment of the Table of TV Allotments to allow it to continue to operate pursuant to the parameters of its current license on channel 12,⁷ and the substitution of channel 12 for channel 27 in the TV Table of Allotments will allow the Station to remain on the air and continue to provide service to viewers within its service area.⁸

3. Gray proposes to utilize its currently licensed parameters and as such we find that channel 12 can be substituted for channel 27 at Augusta as proposed, in compliance with the principal

¹ *Amendment of Section 73.622(j), Table of Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Augusta, Georgia)*, MB Docket No. 24-153, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, DA 24-559 (MB June 16, 2024).

² Petition of Gray Television Licensee, LLC for Rulemaking (filed June 7, 2024) and on file at LMS File No. 00000000245959 (Petition).

³ 47 CFR § 73.622(j).

⁴ Comments of Gray Television Licensee, LLC (rec. July 12, 2024) at 1-2 (Comments). *See also* 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419; *Buffalo, Iola, Normangee, and Madisonville, Texas*, MB Docket No. 07-729, Report and Order, 24 FCC Rcd 8192, 8194, para. 9 (MB 2009).

⁵ *See Amendment of Section 73.622(i), Post-Transition Table of DTV Allotments, Television Broadcast Stations (Augusta, Georgia)*, MB Docket No. 21-49, Report and Order, 36 FCC Rcd 8174 (MB 2021).

⁶ LMS File No. 0000150357.

⁷ CDBS File No. BLCDDT-20090227ABQ.

⁸ Petition at 2; Comments at 1.

community coverage requirements of section 73.618(a) of the rules,⁹ at coordinates 33-24'-37" N. and 081-50'-36.0" W. In addition, we find that this channel substitution meets the technical requirements set forth in section 73.622(a) of the rules.¹⁰ Accordingly, we will substitute channel 12 for channel 27 with the following specifications:

<u>City and State</u>	<u>Channel</u>	<u>Power (kW)</u>	<u>Antenna HAAT (m)</u>	<u>Service Pop.</u>
Augusta, Georgia	12	20.2	483.6	1,564,584

4. Pursuant to the authority contained in sections 4(i), 5(c)(1), 303(g), (r) and 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 155(c)(1), 303(g), (r), and 307(b), and sections 0.61, 0.204(b), and 0.283 of the rules, 47 CFR §§ 0.61, 0.204(b), and 0.283, **IT IS ORDERED** that, effective 30 days after the date of publication of this Report and Order in the Federal Register, the Table of TV Allotments, section 73.622(j) of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 73.622(j), **IS AMENDED**, with respect to the community listed below, to read as follows:

<u>City and State</u>	<u>Channel No.</u>
Augusta, Georgia	12, 28, 36

5. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, within 10 days of the effective date of this Report and Order, Gray Television Licensee, LLC shall submit to the Commission a minor change application for a construction permit (Form 2100, Schedule A) specifying channel 12.

6. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, pursuant to section 801(a)(1)(A) of the Congressional Review Act, 5 U.S.C. § 801(a)(1)(A), the Commission **SHALL SEND** a copy of the Order to Congress and to the Government Accountability Office.

7. **IT IS FURTHER ORDERED** that, should no petitions for reconsideration or petitions for judicial review be timely filed, MB Docket No. 24-153 and RM-11983 **SHALL BE TERMINATED** and its docket closed.

8. For further information concerning the proceeding listed above, contact Joyce Bernstein, Video Division, Media Bureau, at Joyce.Bernstein@fcc.gov.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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⁹ 47 CFR § 73.618(a) (formerly § 73.623(c)(1)).

¹⁰ 47 CFR § 73.622(a) (formerly §§ 73.616 and 73.623).