

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**47 CFR Part 73**

[DA 03-3442]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Various Locations**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: The Commission, on its own motion, editorially amends the Table of FM Allotments to specify the actual classes of channels allotted to various communities. The changes in channel classifications have been authorized in response to applications filed by licensees and permittees operating on these channels. This action is taken pursuant to *Revision of Section 73.3573(a)(1) of the Commission's Rules Concerning the Lower Classification of an FM Allotment, 4 FCC Rcd 2413 (1989), and Amendment of the Commission's Rules to permit FM Channel and Class Modifications by Applications, 8 FCC Rcd 4735 (1993).*

DATES: Effective November 14, 2003.**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kathleen Scheuerle, Media Bureau, (202) 418-2180.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's *Report and Order*, adopted October 29, 2003, and released October 31, 2003. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. This document may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554.

List of Subjects in 47 CFR Part 73

Radio, Radio broadcasting.

■ Part 73 of Title 47 of the Code of Federal Regulations is amended as follows:

PART 73—RADIO BROADCAST SERVICES

■ 1. The authority citation for Part 73 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 47 U.S.C. 154, 303, 334, and 336.

§ 73.202 [Amended]

■ 2. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Arizona, is amended by removing Channel 261C2 and adding Channel 261C1 at Flagstaff.

■ 3. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Illinois, is amended by removing Channel 268C1 and adding Channel 268B at Carbondale.

■ 4. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Kansas, is amended by removing Channel 268A and adding Channel 268C3 at Iola and by removing Channel 279C1 and adding Channel 279C0 at Wichita.

■ 5. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Michigan, is amended by removing Channel 254C2 and adding Channel 253C1 at Hancock.

■ 6. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Minnesota, is amended by removing Channel 241A and adding Channel 241C3 at Albert Lea.

■ 7. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Mississippi, is amended by removing Channel 292C3 and adding Channel 292C2 at Petal.

■ 8. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Missouri, is amended by removing Channel 256C and adding Channel 256C0 at Clayton and by removing Channel 255A and adding Channel 255C3 at Saint Robert.

■ 9. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Montana, is amended by removing Channel 278C1 and adding Channel 278C0 at Bozeman.

■ 10. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Tennessee, is amended by removing Channel 248A and adding Channel 248C3 at Lawrenceburg.

■ 11. Section 73.202(b), the Table of FM Allotments under Texas, is amended by removing Channel 241C3 and adding Channel 242C1 at Dalhart, by removing Channel 300C2 and adding Channel 300C3 at Johnson City, and by removing Channel 298C and adding Channel 298C0 at San Antonio.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**47 CFR Part 73**

[DA 03-3443, MM Docket No. 99-322, RM-9762]

Radio Broadcasting Services; Ashville and Chillicothe, OH**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.**ACTION:** Final rule; denial of petition for reconsideration.

SUMMARY: This document denies a Petition for Reconsideration Jointly filed by Franklin Communications, Inc., North American Broadcasting Co. and WLCT Radio Incorporated directed to the *Report and Order* in this proceeding which reallocated Channel 227B from Chillicothe to Ashville, Ohio, and modified the Station WFCB to specify Ashville as the community of license. See 67 FR 67568, November 20, 2002. With this action, the proceeding is terminated.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Robert Hayne, Mass Media Bureau (202) 418-2177.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a synopsis of the Commission's *Memorandum Opinion and Order* in MM Docket No. 99-322, adopted October 29, 2003, and released October 31, 2003. The full text of this decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center at Portals II, CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, telephone (202) 863-2893, facsimile (202) 863-2898, or via e-mail qualixint@aol.com.

Federal Communications Commission.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE**48 CFR Part 204 and Appendix G to Chapter 2**

[DFARS Case 2003-D005]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; DoD Activity Address Codes in Contract Numbers**AGENCY:** Department of Defense (DoD).**ACTION:** Final rule.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued a final rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to prescribe the use of DoD activity address codes in the first six positions of solicitation and contract numbers. This change provides consistency in the method of identifying DoD activities and eliminates the need for maintenance of the list of DoD activity address numbers in DFARS appendix G.

EFFECTIVE DATE: November 14, 2003.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Euclides Barrera, (703) 602-0296.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This rule amends DFARS subpart 204.70 to prescribe the use of a contracting office's DoD activity address code in the first six positions of a solicitation or contract number, instead of the DoD activity address number found in DFARS appendix G. DoD activity address codes are maintained by the Defense Logistics Agency and are available at <http://www.daas.dla.mil/daashome/>.

This rule removes appendix G from the DFARS, as there is no longer a need for maintenance of DoD activity address numbers. The two-position codes in appendix G, that contracting offices use when placing an order against another activity's contract or agreement, are now available at a separate location on the Defense Acquisition Regulations Web page (<http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html>). For reference purposes, archived versions of appendix G are available in the HTML version of the DFARS on the Defense Acquisition Regulations Web page, by using the "Prior Version" option shown at the beginning of each appendix G part.

DoD published a proposed rule at 68 FR 34879 on June 11, 2003. Four sources submitted comments on the proposed rule. A discussion of the comments is provided below. Differences between the proposed and final rules are addressed in the DoD Response to Comments 1 and 5 below. In addition, DoD has made editorial changes at 204.7005 to update address information.

1. *Comment:* The text at 204.7000(b) should be revised to clarify that the numbering requirements of DFARS subpart 204.70 do not apply to solicitations and orders that precede issuance of communication service authorizations.

DoD Response: Concur. The text at 204.7000(b) has been revised to incorporate this clarification.

2. *Comment:* Some of the DoDAACs are not six characters. Will the remaining characters be filled in with zeros? Will this result in duplicate DoDAACs for two different locations?

DoD Response: DFARS subpart 204.70 prescribes use of only those DoDAACs assigned to contracting activities, which are all six characters in length.

3. *Comment:* The rule should retain the existing language at 204.7000(b) that allows for optional procedures when assigning numbers to solicitations, contracts, and related instruments that

will be completely administered by the purchasing office or the consignee.

DoD Response: Optional procedures are no longer permitted, as a result of the interim FAR rule published at 68 FR 56679 on October 1, 2003 (FAC 2001-16, Item III), which requires agencies to assign a unique identifier to every procurement instrument.

4. *Comment:* DFARS 204.7001(b) requires that the basic procurement instrument identification number be unchanged for the life of the instrument. To prevent duplication of call and/or order numbers, this policy should be changed to allow contracting officers to re-issue contracts with new identification numbers for administrative purposes.

DoD Response: The comment is outside the scope of this case. However, DoD is considering this concept under a separate case (DFARS Case 2003-D052).

5. *Comment:* DFARS 204.7002(c) requires that the major elements of a contract number be separated by dashes. This policy is reflective of a paper-based environment and should provide an exception for instances where the contract number is transmitted electronically.

DoD Response: Concur. The final rule amends 204.7002(c) to clarify that use of dashes is unnecessary in electronic transmission of contract numbers.

6. *Comment:* Does DoD plan to change the numbers of any existing contracts? We presume modifications to long-term contracts would be required to continue to carry the basic contract number. If contract numbers are not changed, the maintenance of DFARS appendix G could not be eliminated.

DoD Response: The rule does not require change to the numbers of existing contracts. This final rule removes appendix G from the DFARS. However, an archived version of appendix G is available through the Defense Acquisition Regulations web page for reference purposes.

7. *Comment:* Some military bases have multiple DoDAACs. We assume DoD will publish a list of the ones that will be used to identify contracts.

DoD Response: Each DoD component listed in DFARS 204.7005(c) will maintain a list of the DoDAACs it uses for contracts and will provide this information upon request.

8. *Comment:* DoDAACs should be maintained with the same rigor as the DoDAANs to ensure that shipments and payments are not delayed.

DoD Response: The DoD Activity Address File, which contains all DoDAACs, is updated on a daily basis.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD certifies that this final rule will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because assignment of solicitation and contract numbers is an administrative function performed by the Government. The rule makes no change to the number of characters in a solicitation or contract number and, therefore, will not have a significant effect on the operation of automated systems.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

List of Subjects in 48 CFR Part 204

Government procurement.

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■ Therefore, 48 CFR part 204 and appendix G to chapter 2 are amended as follows:

■ 1. The authority citation for 48 CFR part 204 and appendix G to subchapter I continues to read as follows:

Authority: 41 U.S.C. 421 and 48 CFR chapter 1.

PART 204—ADMINISTRATIVE MATTERS

■ 2. Section 204.7000 is revised to read as follows:

204.7000 Scope.

This subpart—

(a) Prescribes policies and procedures for assigning numbers to all solicitations, contracts, and related instruments; and

(b) Does not apply to solicitations or orders for communication service authorizations issued by the Defense Information Technology Contracting Organization of the Defense Information Systems Agency in accordance with 239.7407-2.

204.7002 [Amended]

■ 3. Section 204.7002 is amended in paragraph (c) in the second sentence by adding, before the final period, the parenthetical "(not necessary in electronic transmission)".

■ 4. Section 204.7003 is amended by revising paragraph (a)(1) to read as follows:

204.7003 Basic PII number.

(a) * * *

(1) *Positions 1 through 6.* The first six positions identify the department/agency and office issuing the instrument. Use the DoD Activity Address Code (DoDAAC) assigned to the issuing office. DoDAACs can be found at <https://www.daas.dla.mil/daashome/>.

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■ 5. Section 204.7004 is amended in paragraph (d)(2)(i) by revising the second sentence to read as follows:

204.7004 Supplementary PII numbers.

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(d) * * *

(2) * * *

(i) * * * The first and second

positions contain the call/order code assigned to the ordering office in accordance with 204.7005. * * *

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■ 6. Section 204.7005 is added to read as follows:

204.7005 Assignment of order codes.

(a) The Defense Logistics Agency, Acquisition Policy Branch (J-3311), Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6221, is the executive agent for maintenance of code assignments for use in the first two positions of an order number when an activity places an order against another activity's contract or agreement (see 204.7004(d)(2)). The executive agent distributes blocks of two-character order codes to department/agency monitors for further assignment.

(b) Contracting activities submit requests for assignment of or changes in two-character order codes to their respective monitors in accordance with department/agency procedures. Order code monitors—

(1) Approve requests for additions, deletions, or changes; and

(2) Provide notification of additions, deletions, or changes to—

(i) The executive agent; and

(ii) The executive editor, Defense Acquisition Regulations, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062.

(c) Order code monitors are—

Army: Army Contracting Agency, Attn: SFCA-IT, 5109 Leesburg Pike, Suite 302, Falls Church, VA 22041-3201

Navy and Marine Corps: Office of the Assistant Secretary of the Navy (RD&A), 1000 Navy Pentagon, Room BF992, Washington, DC 20350-1000

Air Force: SAF/AQCX, 1060 Air Force Pentagon, Washington, DC 20330-1060

Defense Logistics Agency: Defense Logistics Agency, Acquisition Policy Branch (J-

3311), John J. Kingman Road, Fort Belvoir, VA 22060-6221

Other Defense Agencies: Army Contracting Agency, Attn: SFCA-IT 5109 Leesburg Pike, Suite 302, Falls Church, VA 22041-3201

(d) Order code assignments can be found at <http://www.acq.osd.mil/dp/dars/dfars.html>.

Appendix G to Chapter 2 [Removed and Reserved]

■ 7. Appendix G to chapter 2 is removed and reserved.

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DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE

48 CFR Parts 204, 212, 213, and 252

[DFARS Case 2003-D040]

Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement; Central Contractor Registration

AGENCY: Department of Defense (DoD).

ACTION: Interim rule with request for comments.

SUMMARY: DoD has issued an interim rule amending the Defense Federal Acquisition Regulation Supplement (DFARS) to remove policy on Central Contractor Registration (CCR) that duplicates policy added to the Federal Acquisition Regulation (FAR) on October 1, 2003. This rule also addresses requirements for use of Commercial and Government Entity (CAGE) codes to accommodate DoD payment systems.

DATES: *Effective date:* November 14, 2003.

Comment date: Comments on the interim rule should be submitted to the address shown below on or before January 13, 2004, to be considered in the formation of the final rule.

ADDRESSES: Respondents may submit comments directly on the World Wide Web at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf/pubcomm>. As an alternative, respondents may e-mail comments to: dfars@osd.mil. Please cite DFARS Case 2003-D040 in the subject line of e-mailed comments.

Respondents that cannot submit comments using either of the above methods may submit comments to: Defense Acquisition Regulations Council, Attn: Ms. Angelena Moy, OUSD(AT&L)DPAP(DAR), IMD 3C132, 3062 Defense Pentagon, Washington, DC 20301-3062; facsimile (703) 602-0350. Please cite DFARS Case 2003-D040.

At the end of the comment period, interested parties may view public

comments on the World Wide Web at <http://emissary.acq.osd.mil/dar/dfars.nsf>.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Ms. Angelena Moy, (703) 602-1302.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

A. Background

This interim rule supplements the final FAR rule published at 68 FR 56669 on October 1, 2003 (FAC 2001-16; Item I). The FAR rule contained requirements for contractors to register in the CCR database prior to award of any contract or agreement. Similar policy had been in the DFARS since March 31, 1998 (63 FR 15316). Since the DFARS policy has been superseded by the FAR policy, this interim rule removes most DFARS policy pertaining to CCR. However, there is still a need to address requirements for CAGE code information to accommodate DoD payment systems. Therefore, this interim rule retains DoD requirements for inclusion of CAGE codes on contracts and in the CCR database.

This rule was not subject to Office of Management and Budget review under Executive Order 12866, dated September 30, 1993.

B. Regulatory Flexibility Act

DoD does not expect this rule to have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities within the meaning of the Regulatory Flexibility Act, 5 U.S.C. 601, *et seq.*, because the rule adds no new requirements for DoD contractors. The rule removes DFARS text that has become obsolete as a result of policy that has been added to the FAR, and retains existing DoD requirements for use of CAGE codes. Therefore, DoD has not performed an initial regulatory flexibility analysis. DoD invites comments from small businesses and other interested parties. DoD also will consider comments from small entities concerning the affected DFARS subparts in accordance with 5 U.S.C. 610. Such comments should be submitted separately and should cite DFARS Case 2003-D040.

C. Paperwork Reduction Act

The Paperwork Reduction Act does not apply because the rule does not impose any information collection requirements that require the approval of the Office of Management and Budget under 44 U.S.C. 3501, *et seq.*

D. Determination To Issue an Interim Rule

A determination has been made under the authority of the Secretary of Defense