



ANNOUNCEMENT

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WITHDRAWAL OF BROADCAST STATIONS FROM 1991 FINAL SPECIALTY STATION LIST

CABLE COMPULSORY LICENSE; SPECIALTY STATION DETERMINATION

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Copyright Office

[Docket No. RM 87-7E]

Cable Compulsory License; Specialty Station Determination

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Withdrawal of broadcast stations from 1991 Final specialty station list.

SUMMARY: The Copyright Office of the Library of Congress issues this notice regarding certain broadcast stations published as specialty stations on the revised list (55 FR 40,021, October 1, 1990) that have requested removal from the list. Three stations are removed from the list, which is hereby revised.

EFFECTIVE DATE: AUGUST 21, 1992.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

In response to petitions to make certain determinations concerning administration of the cable compulsory license of the 1976 Copyright Act, 17 U.S.C. 111, the Copyright Office initiated proceedings to update the list of specialty broadcast stations originally developed by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). (53 FR 5,592, Feb. 25, 1988). In order to be considered a specialty station, a station must meet the terms of former Federal Communications Commission rules at 47 CFR 76.5(kk), in effect on June 24, 1981.

Affidavits were submitted by stations claiming specialty station status. A revised list was compiled, made available for public comment, and then published October 1, 1990. Due to procedural concerns, an addition to that list was published June 6, 1991.

Three stations that originally requested specialty station status, and were made part of the October 1, 1990 revised list, have requested removal from the list. The stations in question are noncommercial broadcast

stations and the FCC's former specialty station regulation applied to commercial broadcast stations. The Copyright Office hereby notifies the public that the following stations will not be considered specialty stations for the purposes of calculating royalties under 17 U.S.C. 111.

KETH, Houston, TX
KITU, Beaumont, TX
KLUJ, Harlingen, TX

For noncommercial stations, the base rate applies in any event to their carriage by cable systems, but the distant signal equivalent value is one-quarter rather than one.

Dated: August 12, 1992.

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Register of Copyrights.

Approved by:

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The Librarian of Congress.

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