

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

In the Matter of	)	
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Amendment of Section 73.622(b),	)	MM Docket No. 99-265
Table of Allotments,	)	RM-9660
Digital Television Broadcast Stations.	)	
(Monroe, Louisiana)	)	

**REPORT AND ORDER**  
**(Proceeding Terminated)**

**Adopted: August 2, 2000**

**Released: August 3, 2000**

By the Chief, Video Services:

1. At the request of Noe Corporation L.L.C. ("Noe"), licensee of station KNOE-TV, NTSC Channel 8, Monroe, Louisiana, the Commission has before it the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, 14 FCC Rcd 12384 (1999), proposing the substitution of DTV Channel 7 for DTV Channel 55 for station KNOE-TV at Monroe. Noe filed comments stating its intention to promptly implement the allotment change.<sup>1</sup> Station KAQY(TV), ("KAQY"), NTSC Channel 11, Columbia, Louisiana, filed comments.<sup>2</sup>

2. We believe the public interest would be served by substituting DTV Channel 7 for DTV Channel 55 since it would permit station KNOE-TV to replicate a larger portion of its existing service area during the DTV transition period. DTV Channel 7 can be allotted to Monroe, Louisiana, as proposed, in compliance with the principle community coverage requirements of Section 73.625(a) at reference coordinates (32-11-45 N. and 92-04-10 W.). In addition, we find that this channel is acceptable under the 2 percent criterion for *de minimis* impact that is applied in evaluating requests for modification of initial DTV allotments under Section 73.623(c)(2) for Station KNOE-TV with the following specifications:

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<sup>1</sup> After the record closed, Noe submitted a copy of its responsive comments to the Commission's *Order and Notice of Proposed Rule Making, In the Matter of Establishment of a Class A Television Service*, MM Docket No. 00-10, 15 FCC Rcd 1173 (2000). In those comments, KNOE states that it has studied the impact of DTV Channel 7 on relevant LPTV facilities which have filed Certificates of Eligibility and determined that the proposed allotment change would not cause interference to any LPTV facility. Subsequently, KNOE filed a copy of a letter from David Loflin withdrawing his application for a Class A status for K13VE, ID#: 30668.

<sup>2</sup> KAQY filed comments stating that it is the licensee of station KAQY(TV), DTV Channel \*19, Monroe, Louisiana, and is a for-profit corporation operating an ABC affiliate. KAQY states that since it is a commercial station, the \* denoting DTV Channel 19 noncommercial status should be removed. Our records indicate that station KAQY is assigned DTV Channel 52 and is licensed to serve the community of Columbia, Louisiana, not Monroe, Louisiana. Furthermore, our records also indicate that the Louisiana Educational TV Authority is the licensee of station KLTM-TV, DTV Channel \*19, and is authorized to serve Monroe, Louisiana. Based upon these facts, we will not remove the \* noncommercial designation from DTV Channel \*19 for station KLTM-TV at Monroe, Louisiana.

<u>State &amp; City</u>	<u>DTV Channel</u>	<u>DTV power (kW)</u>	<u>Antenna HAAT (m)</u>	<u>DTV Service Pop. (thous.)</u>
LA Monroe	7	5.0	519	454

3. Accordingly, pursuant to the authority contained in Sections 4(i), 5(c)(1), 303(g) and (r) and 307(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and Sections 0.61, 0.204(b) and 0.283 of the Commission's Rules, IT IS ORDERED, That effective September 18, 2000, the DTV Table of Allotments, Section 73.622(b) of the Commission's Rules, IS AMENDED, with respect to the community listed below, to read as follows:

<u>City</u>	<u>Channel No.</u>
Monroe, Louisiana	7, *19

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That within 45 days of the effective date of this *Order*, shall submit to the Commission a minor change application for a construction permit (FCC Form 301) specifying DTV Channel 7 in lieu of DTV 55 Channel for station KNOE-TV at Monroe, Louisiana.

5. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, That this proceeding IS TERMINATED.

6. For further information concerning this proceeding, contact Pam Blumenthal, Mass Media Bureau, (202) 418-1600.

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