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LABOR PAINS. . . Suddenly union problems are plaguing broadcasters like ABC and Shadow Broadcast Services. ABC's problem got ugly for the News division when VP Al Gore declined to be interviewed by ABC on Election Day. NABET started the controversy with a surprise 5 am job action on Monday (11/2). It was supposed to be a 24-hour walkout to protest lack of information about health-care. But Disney/ABC took some testosterone shots and locked NABET out until it renounced future "sneak strikes." By Tuesday workers (including more than 50 staffers from ABC-owned radio stations) were left standing outside with picket signs in their hands. Now NABET hints about targeting Disney itself. (Get in line behind the Southern Baptists, folks.) But ABC isn't the only company with labor concerns: AFTRA is aggressively targeting Shadow, which supplies traffic, news, weather and sports to radio and TV stations in many major markets. As companies get bigger, employees are more likely to listen to the union spiel. It's a trend to watch.

THE BEST MIX OF GREGORIAN CHANTS. . . That's the temporary programming on most of the former Children's Broadcasting stations just acquired by the new San Diego-based Catholic Radio Network. Father Joseph Fessio said, after getting last-minute financing together, there wasn't time to get CRN programming cranked up. So for now -- it's all monks, all the time, on stations in five of the seven markets. (The deal was originally for 10 markets, but it was pared back to seven markets for \$37 million). There have already been sparks of internecine conflict between the conservative CRN group and some of the more liberal U.S. bishops. Milwaukee Bishop Rembert Weakland told both Father Fessio and the Catholic Radio Network they're not welcome in his town (though CRN IS operating in Milwaukee). Here are the seven CRN stations: Milwaukee-market WZER, Jackson, WI (540 KHz). WAUR, Sandwich, IL (930 KHz). KPLS, Orange, CA (830 KHz). KKYD, Denver (1340 KHz). Kansas City-market KCNW, Fairway, KS (1380 KHz). Twin Cities-market WWTC, Minneapolis (1280 KHz). And Wilmington, DE-area WPWA, Chester, PA (1590 KHz). Lots more radio news (but no chanting) inside this week's M Street Journal.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		<u>formerly</u>	<u>becomes</u>
AL Homewood (Birmingham)	WEDA-97.3	# new	CHR
(WEDA is now a combo with WEZN, WBHJ, WBHK, WZZK-FM, WAGG and WODL)			
AZ Springerville	KRVZ-1400	JRN - country	JRN - oldies
CA Chowchilla (Merced)	KSKD-FM-93.3	contemp. Christian	Christian rock // KLRD
(KSKD-FM will buy KLRD, Yucaipa and sister KXRD, Victorville)			
Johannesburg	KBHM-100.9	new	KRAJ, JRN - AC // KEDD
(KBHM is in an informal LMA (for now) with KEDD)			
Orange (Anaheim)	KPLS-830	# variety	to be Catholic talk
CO Denver	KKYD-1340	# variety	to be Catholic talk
Yuma	KNEC-100.9	KBJI, new	to be WW1 - standards
(Look for KNEC to come on air December 10th)			
IL Chicago	WRCX-103.5	rock	rhythmic oldies
Sandwich	WAUR-930	# variety	to be Catholic talk
IN South Bend	WJVA-1620	new	ABC standards // WHLY
IA Emmetsburg	KEMB-100.1	adult contemporary	CHR
Iowa City	KCJK-1560	KCJJ, ABC - hot AC	reported silent
Iowa City	KCJJ-1630	KCJK, new	ABC - hot AC
(KCJJ has added Don & Mike for afternoons)			
KS Fairway (Kansas City)	KCNW-1380	# religion	to be Catholic talk

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FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES (cont'd)

KS Mission	KUPN-1480	variety	religion // KCNW
KY Midway (Lexington)	WAHY-107.9	urban AC	urban// WTKT "The Beat"
MI Grand Rapids	WAYG-89.9*	WBYW, gospel	to be WAY - c. Christian
	(WAYG plans to go silent until February 1999, then return as WAY FM)		
MN Alexandria	KIKV-FM-100.7	country	adds JRN - country
Minneapolis	WWTC-1280	# variety	to be Catholic talk
Moorhead (Fargo)	KVOX-1280	sports	adds WW1 - Imus
MS Louisville	WLSM-1270	sports	reported silent
MO Joplin	KWAS-1230	# adult standards	adds religion & gospel
	(KWAS now simulcasts all but 5-10pm with non-commercial KNLG)		
NE Kearney	KGFW-1340	talk	adds ESPN - sports
McCook	KSWN-93.9	talk & CHR	adds Steve and D.C.
Wayne	KTCH-1590	country // FM	remains country
Wayne	KTCH-FM-104.9	country	ABC - oldies (Nov. 24)
NY Watertown	WCIZ-FM-93.5	rock	classic rock
	(Look for WCIZ-FM to move to 93.3 MHz and increase power soon)		
Watertown	WTNY-790	soft AC & talk	talk
NC Wilmington	WGNI-102.7	adult contemporary	adds Delilah
ND Fargo	KDSU-91.9*	jazz	news/classical/jazz
Grand Forks	KUND-FM-89.3*	info & alternative	news/classical/jazz
	(KDSU and KUND enter into an LMA with and now simulcasts with KCND Bismarck)		
PA Chester (Wilmington)	WPWA-1590	# variety	to be Catholic talk
Titusville	WTIV-1230	ABC - country	ABC - adult standards
SC Sans Souci (Greenville)	WHYZ-1070	motivational talk	adds sports talk
TN Tullahoma	WAUT-88.5*	new	AFA - cont. Christian
TX Huntsville	KUST-99.7	new	country // KVST
Sterling Cty (San Ang)	KKCN-96.5	new	adult contemporary
	(KKCN will run ABC AC overnights)		
VT Springfield	WNBX-1480	# business	religion "Spirit"
	(WNBX is in an LMA-to-buy with WWNH)		
WI Jackson (Milwaukee)	WZER-540	# religion	to be Catholic talk
Portage	WPDR-1350	AC & talk	adds ESPN - sports
Whitehall	WHTL-FM-102.3	ABC Real - country	standards & ABC - CW
	(WHTL-FM is standards 6-9a/11-1p/2-6p and country the rest of the time)		
WY Casper	KHOC-102.5	KKRR, new	ABC - hot AC
	(KHOC is in an LMA-to-buy with KVOC, KQLT and KASS)		
WY Kemmerer	KMER-950	JRN - country	JRN - oldies
	(KMER remains in its LMA with new-cp KAOX)		

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)
(+ competes with existing application)

GA 89.9**	Thomson	6000 w (v), 203 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
ID 90.1**	Pocatello	6000 w (v), 1460 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
90.3*	Pocatello	1600 w (v), -276 ft	Educational Media Foundation
90.1**	Pocatello	26300 w (h), 1528 ft	Idaho State University
89.5*	Pocatello	4400 w, 1338 ft	Your Christian Companion Net.
89.5*	Rigby	78000 w (v), 1512 ft	Educational Media Foundation
IN 89.3**	Plymouth	25 w, 223 ft	Rochester Community Radio
KS 91.3*	Oberlin	250 w, 118 ft	Salt and Light Communications
MI 91.9*	Portage	100 w (v), 33 ft	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
MN 88.1*	Windom	250 w, 171 ft	Educational Opportunities
MS 88.1*	Biloxi	60 w, 538 ft	Greater Mississippi Bcstg.
90.5*	Forest	60 w, 403 ft	Greater Mississippi Bcstg.
MO 89.7*	Bowling Green	9000 w, 272 ft	New Life Evang. Center, Inc.
NC 89.5**	Lumberton	2000 w (v), 438 ft	Evangelistic Association, Inc.
PA 91.1*	Altoona	1000 w (v), 102 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
91.1*	Bedford	470 w (v), 1145 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
90.9**	Carbondale	2000 w, 423 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
90.9**	Carbondale	200 w, 886 ft	Family Life Ministries, Inc.
90.9**	Carbondale	15 w, 889 ft	Montgomery NYC Broadcasting
88.5*	Halifax	1000 w, 194 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
88.5*	State College	2200 w (v), 544 ft	Family Stations, Inc.
89.1*	State College	10h, 500v, 1217 ft	Invisible Allies Ministries
TN 89.7*	New Johnsonville	300 w, 472 ft	Tennessee Educ. Informational
90.9*	Waverly	1000 w, 482 ft	Tennessee Educ. Informational
VA 89.5**	Spotsylvania	2000 w (v), 180 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged

Returned/Dismissed Applications

AL 91.5*	Montgomery (R)	WIBC, Inc.
TN 88.5*	Lawrenceburg (R)	Lawrenceburg Community Radio
	(both applications were returned by staff letter 10/22/98)	

NEW STATIONS: ACCEPTED FOR FILING

CA 102.3	Point Arena	10-30-98	Del Mar Trust
107.1	Point Arena	10-30-98	Point Broadcasting
CO 89.1*	La Junta	10-30-98	The Colorado College
103.7	Silverton	10-30-98	Idaho Broadcasting Consortium
GA 91.9*	La Grange	10-30-98	Community Public Radio, Inc.
IN 88.5*	Veedersburg	10-30-98	Good Shepherd Radio, Inc.
MI 88.1*	Ironwood	10-30-98	VCY America, Inc.
MS 104.3	Bude	10-30-98	Ole Brook Broadcasting, Inc.
NE 90.9*	Hastings	10-30-98	American Family Association
ND 89.5*	Fargo	10-30-98	Pioneer Public Bcstg. Company
OR 89.3*	Sisters	10-30-98	Educational Media Foundation

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

IL 88.5*	Cairo	1500 w (v), 321 ft	American Family Assn.
			(as amended; transmitter is located in KY)

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

CA new-88.1*	Alpine	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-90.3*	Bend	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-89.1*	Mt. Laguna	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-90.9*	Mt. Shasta	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-88.7*	Talmage	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
FL new-89.5*	San Jose	KLOV-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
IL new-89.3*	University Park	WWGN	Best Media, Inc.
IN new-88.9*	New Albany	KSKD-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
NY new-88.1*	Woodsburgh	WNGN	Best Media, Inc.
ND new-90.5*	Williston	KLOV-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
OK new-89.9*	Lawton	KLOV-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
PA new-89.3*	Philadelphia	WBYO	Best Media, Inc.
SD new-91.9*	Mitchell	KLOV-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
WA new-88.7*	Hanford	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
WI new-91.1*	McFarland	WWGN	VCY America, Inc.

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: GRANTS

CA K216EC-91.1*	Happy Camp	no facils, KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
K240CR-95.9*	Palm Springs	10 w (v) DA, KMRO	Assoc. for Comm. Educ.
IN W211BC-90.1*	Rochester	170 w, WLAB	IN Dist.-Lutheran
PA W216BG-91.1*	Wilkes-Barre	9 w (v), WPCS	Pensacola Christian Coll.

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AL WPHG-FM-90.9*	Brewton	license to cover for new station
WYAM-890	Hartselle	requests replacement of expired CP to increase to 2500 w days, ND-D
WZHT-105.7	Troy	increases to 1830 ft, changes xmtr location to 31-58-28 86-09-44
AK KAMT(CP)-100.7	Juneau	requests 4th extension of time
KAKZ(CP)-102.7	Juneau	requests 4th extension of time
AZ KAKP-103.9	Chino Valley	license to cover for new station
KFLR-FM-90.3*	Phoenix	modifies auxiliary facility
KWKM(CP)-95.7	St. Johns	requests extension of time
AR KBYB-96.1	El Dorado	increases to 446 ft, changes xmtr location to 33-16-16 92-39-17
KAVH(CP)-101.5	Eudora	requests extension of time
CA KORG-1190	Anaheim	requests 4th extension of time to increase to 20000 w days, DA-2
KBHM-100.9	Johannesburg	license to cover for new station
KHWG-107.7	Kings Beach	decreases to 2867 ft, changes xmtr location to 39-18-48 119-52-59
KRTH-101.1	Los Angeles	built new auxiliary facility
FL WWJB-1450	Brooksville	changes xmtr loc. to 28-33-20 82-22-36
WAQV-90.9*	Crystal River	license to cover for new station
WFIT-89.5*	Melbourne	increases to 4600 w, 148 ft, adds DA
WJTF(CP)-89.9*	Panama City	requests extension of time
ID KRIC-100.5*	Rexburg	increases to 100000 w, 692 ft
IL WAWF(CP)-88.3*	Kankakee	requests replacement of expired CP
IA KLEE-1480	Ottumwa	decreases to 250 w days, 17 w nights, ND, changes xmtr location to 41-01-28 92-28-56
KY WVRB-105.9	Wilmore	moves to 95.3 MHz, changes xmtr location to 37-45-55 84-38-06
MI WBUM-104.3	Baraga	license to cover for new station
WMOM(CP)-103.1	Pentwater	granted extension of time

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

MI WRKR-107.7 WCHB-1200	Portage Taylor	changes xmtr location to 42-07-44 85-20-22 requests 2nd extension of time to increase to 50000 w days, 15000 w nights, DA-2
MN KBUN-1450 KBEM-FM-88.5*	Bemidji Minneapolis	changes xmtr location to 47-27-56 94-54-20 increases to 2900 w, 479 ft, adds DA, changes xmtr location to 44-59-54 93-11-18
MO KNLH-89.5* KCVQ-89.7* KULH(CP)-105.9	Cedar Hill Knob Noster Wheeling	license to cover for new station license to cover for new station granted extension of time
NE KBFZ-100.1 KSWN-93.9	Kimball McCook	license to cover for new station license to cover for new station
NM KEXT-104.7 KSVA-95.1*	Bosque Farms Corrales	decreases to 843 ft, changes xmtr location to 34-46-12 106-51-42 increases to 100000 w, 433 ft, class C1, changes xmtr loc. to 35-04-04 106-46-46
KKOR-94.5	Gallup	decreases to 1246 ft, changes xmtr location to 35-36-22 108-41-26
KTHR-103.7	Grants	increases to 1358 ft
NY WMEX-102.5	Westport	changes to 650 w, 295 ft, changes xmtr location to 44-13-14 73-24-35
OH WJZA-103.5	Lancaster	changes to 4000 w, 403 ft, changes xmtr location to 39-51-52 82-38-19
OK KHIM-97.7	Mangum	license to cover for new station
PA WNBQ-92.3 WSHP-1480	Mansfield Shippensburg	license to cover for new station decreases to 460 w days, 8 w nights, ND changes xmtr loc. to 40-04-30 77-32-09
TX KXTM(CP)-107.7 KOXZ(CP)-94.3 KKPN-104.5 KAIQ(CP)-95.5 KPBM-95.3 KUBR-1210*	Benavides Comanche Gregory Littlefield McCamey San Juan	requests 5th replacement of expired CP requests replacement of expired CP license to cover for new station requests 5th extension of time license to cover for new station granted extension of time to increase to 5000 w nights, DA-2, change xmtr location to 26-14-38 98-05-25, increase to 3 towers days, 5 nights
KDOK-92.1	Tyler	dismissed CP to change to 1600 w, 449 ft, change xmtr loc. to 32-22-28 95-16-24 (dismissed as moot)
VA WREL-FM-96.7 WCPK-1600 WKEY-1340	Buena Vista Chesapeake Covington	requests 10th extension of time to increase to 10000 w, 452 ft, class B1, change xmtr loc. to 37-46-37 79-12-18 decreases to 4200 w days, 23 w nights, ND changes xmtr loc. to 37-46-03 79-59-06
WA KKPL-630 KXLY-920	Opportunity Spokane	changes xmtr loc. to 47-36-31 117-22-25 changes xmtr loc. to 47-36-31 117-22-25
WI WMZK-104.1	Merrill	increases to 24000 w, 617 ft, class C2
WY KAOX(CP)-107.3	Kemmerer	granted 2nd extension of time

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS

AL WAXU(CP)-91.1*	Troy	(& reapplication) [docket number] increase to 20000 w, 515 ft, change xmtr location to 31-53-16 86-06-08
AZ KWCY-103.5 KOAZ-97.5 KESP-101.1 KWKM(CP)-95.7	Glendale Oro Valley Payson St. Johns	build new auxiliary facility build new auxiliary facility change to 77000 w, 1069 ft increase to 1528 ft, change xmtr loc. to 34-24-01 109-45-50
AR KAVH(CP)-101.5	Eudora	change xmtr location to 33-11-58 91-15-39
CA KKTR-1650 KBIF-900 KWHO-102.3	Costa Mesa Fresno Weed	decrease to 490 w nights, ND, change xmtr location to 33-53-30 118-11-03 direct measurement of antenna power increase to 15500 w, 1942 ft, change xmtr location to 41-21-30 122-12-21
FL WXOF-106.3 WWJB-1450 WJBX-99.3	Beverly Hills Brooksville Fort Myers Beach	modify CP to change to 10500 w, 505 ft, chg. xmtr loc. to 28-38-28 82-26-14 [92-195] change xmtr loc. to 28-33-20 82-22-36 change to 45000 w, 472 ft, change xmtr location to 26-29-16 81-55-49
IL WLEY-FM-107.9 WJBC-1230	Aurora Bloomington	build new auxiliary facility direct measurement of antenna power

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

IA KVIK-104.7	Decorah	change to 1950 w, 584 ft, change xmtr location to 43-17-13 91-53-03 [73-215]
KLEE-1480	Ottumwa	modify CP to make changes in antenna system
KS KAXR(CP)-91.3*	Arkansas City	increase to 4000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr location to 36-52-31 96-58-37
LA KVOL-1330	Lafayette	direct measurement of antenna power
MA WWKJ-101.1	Mashpee	increase to 6000 w, 272 ft, change xmtr location to 41-36-13 70-29-21
MI WKLZ-1470	Kalamazoo	direct measurement of antenna power
WDMJ-1320	Marquette	direct measurement of antenna power
MN KBUN-1450	Bemidji	change xmtr location to 47-27-56 94-54-20
MS WROX-1450	Clarksdale	direct measurement of antenna power
MO KQMO(CP)-97.7	Shell Knob	change to 2100 w, 558 ft
MT KMMS-1450	Bozeman	change xmtr location to 45-41-54 111-01-41
NM KRDR-90.1*	Red River	increase to 10000 w (v), 95 ft, class C3, change xmtr location to 36-41-03 105-22-22
NC WVOT-1420	Wilson	direct measurement of antenna power
OK KKNB-FM-93.3	Newcastle	one step application to increase to class C, 1489 ft, change xmtr location to 35-07-58 97-37-28
OR KNND-1400	Cottage Grove	decrease to 950 w days and nights, ND, change xmtr loc. to 43-45-43 123-04-42
PA WSOX-96.1	Red Lion	change to 14000 w, 951 ft
WYFM-102.9	Sharon	change to 33000 w, 604 ft, change xmtr location to 41-03-26 80-38-22 [73-215]
SC WKXC-FM-99.5	Aiken	change to 24000 w, 712 ft, change xmtr location to 33-38-44 81-55-45
WAGP-88.7*	Beaufort	increase to 25000 w, 328 ft, add DA, class C3
TX KLVI-560	Beaumont	direct measurement of antenna power
VA WHKX-106.3	Bluefield	change to 510 w, 1112 ft, change xmtr location to 37-15-05 81-11-20
WVNS-670	Claremont	add 220 w nights, DA-2
WFTR-FM-95.3	Front Royal	change xmtr loc. to 38-58-31 78-12-06
WV WCLG-1300	Morgantown	direct measurement of antenna power
WKOY-FM-100.9	Princeton	change to 520 w, 1063 ft, change xmtr location to 37-15-05 81-11-20 [73-215]
WI WHHI-91.3*	Highland	correct coordinates to 43-02-55 90-22-09
NB CJPN-FM-90.5	Fredericton	increase to 1500 w, change xmtr location
PQ CJFP-FM-4-93.9	Trois-Pistoles	decrease to 42 w

Returned/Dismissed Applications

NE KHUB-1340	Fremont (R)	increase to 1000 w days and nights, ND
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FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

CA KMPG-1520	Hollister	change xmtr loc. to 36-50-06 121-25-07
CO KKCH-92.7	Glenwood Springs	modify CP to change to 56000 w (h), 2503 ft, change xmtr location to 39-25-07 107-22-06 [73-215]
KYZX-104.5	Pueblo	(as amended) one step application to move to 103.9 MHz, change to 1750 w, 2158 ft, change xmtr location to 38-44-44 104-51-42, change city of license to Pueblo West, CO
FL WJSB-1050	Crestview	decrease to 3100 w days, ND, change xmtr location to 30-46-01 86-35-07
WPOM-1600	Riviera Beach	direct measurement of antenna power
KS KCHZ-95.7	Ottawa	change to 100000 w, 981 ft, add DA, change xmtr loc. to 39-00-45 95-01-46
KY WZZL-106.7	Reidland	change to 4700 w, 371 ft, change xmtr location to 113-37-05 88-37-19
WJMM-FM-106.3	Versailles	increase to 3700 w, 420 ft, change xmtr location to 38-02-51 84-29-57
LA KBDJ(CP)-99.5	Ruston	one step application to move to 99.3 C3, increase to 15500 w, 328 ft, drop DA
MI WKMI-1360	Kalamazoo	correct coordinates to 42-19-36 85-31-33
WKQS-FM-101.9	Negaunee	one step application to increase to class C2, 12000 w
MN KBKK(CP)-95.9	Pillager	decrease to 239 ft, change xmtr location to 46-15-03 94-19-30

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS (cont'd)

MO	KDMO-1490	Carthage	direct measurement of antenna power
	KHTO-106.7	Mount Vernon	change to 17500 w, 394 ft
NE	KAZP(CP)-1620	Bellevue	modify CP to make changes in antenna system
NJ	WTMR-800	Camden	direct measurement of antenna power
NY	WBAB-FM-102.3	Babylon	increase to 6000 w [73-215]
	WMEX-102.5	Westport	increase to 650 w, 295 ft, change xmtr location to 44-13-14 73-24-35 [73-215]
(as amended)			
ND	KFNW-1200*	West Fargo	direct measurement of antenna power
PR	WENA-1330	Penuelas	modify CP to increase to 2000 w days, 1700 w nights, change to DA-1, change xmtr location to 18-02-04 66-51-48, change city of license to Yauco, PR
TN	WCTZ-1550	Clarksville	decrease to 10 w nights, change to ND
TX	KUHF-88.7*	Houston	modify auxiliary facility
	KLLL-FM-96.3	Lubbock	change xmtr loc. to 33-31-04 101-51-23
VA	WPIN-810*	Dublin	direct measurement of antenna power
NF	CKXD-1010	Gander	decrease to 1000 w

(A previously granted increase to 5000 watts was never implemented)

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

AZ	new-89.3*	Bagdad	becomes	KBJU	11-02-98	
CA	KRAJ-103.9	Johannesburg		KEDD	11-01-98	
CO	new-89.1*	Canon City		KTLC	11-02-98	
	KBJI(CP)-100.9	Yuma		KNEC	10-23-98	"Northeast Colorado"
FL	WKKB(CP)-101.3	Key Colony Beach		KYKZ	11-02-98	
	WBEQ(CP)-99.5	La Crosse		WWFX	10-23-98	
	new-89.9*	Murdock		WHHD	11-02-98	
GA	WEAS-900	Savannah	#	WJLG	10-26-98	
	new-102.7	Sparta		WPMA	11-02-98	
	WSGF-103.9	Springfield	#	WSIS	11-02-98	
IL	WCNL-95.9*	Carlinville	#	WOLG	10-23-98	"Our Lady of Guadalupe"
IA	new-89.3*	Des Moines		KLNQ	11-02-98	
	KCJK(CP)-1630	Iowa City		KCJJ	10-23-98	
	KCJJ-1560	Iowa City		KCJK	10-23-98	
KY	WVCM-92.1	Carlisle		WSTL	(requested)	"Star 92"
	WHHT-103.7	Cave City		WPTQ	10-23-98	"The Point"
	WXPC-106.7	Horse Cave		WHHT	10-23-98	
LA	new-102.1	Blanchard		KRVQ	9-3-98	"River 102"
(calls have not yet been listed on the FCC call sheets)						
	KTBT-93.7	New Iberia		KOOJ	10-23-98	"Kool 93.7"
MI	WBYW-89.9*	Grand Rapids	#	WAYG	10-23-98	"WAY-FM, Grand Rapids"
	WWGZ-FM-103.1	Lapeer		WRXF	10-23-98	"Radio X Rock"
	new-91.5*	Traverse City		WICA	11-02-98	
MN	KHTW-94.7	Caledonia		KSFF	10-26-98	"soft hits"
	KVGO-104.3	Spring Valley		KQOL	10-23-98	"Kool 104"
MO	KSLQ-1350	Washington	#	KWMO	11-02-98	"Washington, MO"
NY	WMBO-1340	Auburn	#	WKGJ	11-02-98	
	WNDR-103.9	Mexico		WVOQ	11-02-98	
NC	WYRU-1160	Red Springs		WTEL	10-26-98	
OH	WAXV-103.9	Westerville		WEGE	10-23-98	"The Eagle"
	new-96.9	Willard		WHHA	11-02-98	
OK	KVCS-FM-105.1	Perry	#	KOSB	10-26-98	"B 105"
	KVCS-1020	Perry	#	KOKP	10-26-98	"OK Country"
PA	WWDB-96.5	Philadelphia		WWDB-FM	10-23-98	
	WTEL-860	Philadelphia		WWDB	10-23-98	
	new-88.5*	Youngsville		WTMV	11-02-98	
PR	WDOY-96.5	Fajardo	#	WBMB	(requested)	
VT	WCFR-1480	Springfield	#	WNBX	10-19-98	
	WKXE-FM-95.3	White River Junction		WWSH	11-02-98	
VA	WBHO(CP)-1450	Bayside		WBVA	10-30-98	
	WNNI-1260*	Christiansburg	#	WWVT	10-26-98	"VA Tech Foundation"
	WBNS(CP)-105.3	Dillwyn		WBNN-FM	10-23-98	
WA	KNTR-1550	Ferndale	#	KCCF	10-22-98	"Classic of the Christ. Faith"
WI	WAQB(CP)-89.7*	Sister Bay		WHDI	11-02-98	
WY	KKRR(CP)-102.5	Casper	#	KHOC	10-23-98	"Heart of Casper"

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AZ	KWCY-103.5	Glendale	314 from OwensMac Radio, LLC to KZPZ License Company, LLC
CA	KWAN-100.5	Gualala	316 from KWAN Bcstg. Co. (Gerhard Hanneman) to KWAN Bcstg. Co. (Thomas M. Duddy)
	KRCX-1110	Roseville	314 from EMI Sacramento Radio, Inc. to The Freedom Network, Inc.
			(\$1.7 million; assumption of liabilities)
	KWHO-102.3	Weed	314 from Tristar Broadcasting Corp., Inc. to Tom Huth
FL	WKGF-1480	Arcadia	314 from Hall Communications, Inc. to Heartland Broadcasting Corp.
GA	WHKN-94.9	Millen	316 from Radio Bulloch of Indiana, Inc. to Radio Millen Broadcasting Co., Inc.
	WROM-710	Rome	314 from The Promised Land Communications to LGV Broadcasting, Inc.
			(\$150,000; includes \$38,000 covenant not to compete)
ID	KTFI-1270	Twin Falls	314 from AM 1270 Company to FM Idaho Co.
IN	WPDJ-1300	Huntington	316 from Williams Radio, Inc. to Arnold G. Hurd and Doug Todd
	WJFX-107.9	New Haven	314 from Allen County Broadcasting, LP to Ft. Wayne Radio Corporation
			(\$1.3 million; includes two year non-compete)
IA	KHKE-89.5*/ KUNI-90.9*	Cedar Falls	316 from Univ. of Northern IA (Curris/Marlin) to Univ. of Northern IA (Koob/Podolefsky)
	KRNI-1010*/ KUNY-91.5*	Mason City	316 from Univ. of Northern IA (Curris/Marlin) to Univ. of Northern IA (Koob/Podolefsky)
LA	KEEL-710/ KITT-93.7/KRUF-94.5/ KVKI-FM-96.5/KWKY-1130	Shreveport	314 from Progressive Broadcasting, LLC to Citicasters Co.
			(\$24 million)
MA	WESO-970/ WARE-1250	Southbridge/ Ware	316 from Eastern Media (John R. Neuhoff, Sr.) to Eastern Media (John R. Neuhoff, Jr.)
MI	WCVM-94.7*	Bronson	314 from Calvary Christian Fellowship, Inc. to CSN International
			(\$80,000; assumption of liabilities)
	WTLZ-107.1	Saginaw	314 from WTL, Inc. to Connoisseur Communications of Saginaw
	WSOO-1230/ WSUE-101.3	Sault Sainte Marie	314 from Fabiano-Strickler Communications to Martz Communications Group, Inc.
MS	WMPS-96.1	Tunica	316 from Tune Broadcasting (Todd Robinson) to Tune Broadcasting (George S. Flinn, Jr.)
NM	KSVA-95.1*	Corrales	314 from Lifetalk Broadcasting Association to KZSS License, LP
NY	WXCR-102.3/ WQBJ-103.5	Ballston Spa/ Cobleskill	316 from Radio Enterprises, Inc. to Clear Channel Radio Licenses, Inc.
	WELV-1370/ WTHN-99.3	Ellenville	316 from Straus Bcstg. (R. Peter Straus) to Straus Bcstg. (Eric Straus, et al)
	WTMM-1300/ WQBK-FM-103.9	Rensselaer	316 from Radio Enterprises, Inc. to Clear Channel Radio Licenses, Inc.
NC	WCNC-1240/ WKJX-96.7	Elizabeth City	316 from East Carolina Radio, Inc. to East Carolina Radio of Elizabeth City
OH	WCDK-106.3	Cadiz	314 from McGraw Broadcasting Corporation to Priority Communications Ohio, LLC
OR	KWRL-99.9	La Grande	314 from Grande Ronde Broadcasting, Inc. to KSRV, Inc.
			(\$800,000; assumption of liabilities; includes \$10,000 for non-compete)
	KULU-102.3	Seaside	314 from Ken's Corporation to Dolphin Radio, Inc.
SC	WKWQ-93.1	Batesburg	314 from Columbia Christian Radio, Inc. to Rainbow Radio, LLC
	WFIS-1600	Fountain Inn	315 from Golden Strip Bcstg. (S. & T. Blair) to Golden Strip (J. Thomas/J. Lastringer)
	WKSO-103.9	Orangeburg	314 from Orangeburg Broadcasting, Inc. to Rainbow Radio, LLC
			(\$3,412,500 for WKSO & WKWQ; includes \$1 to enter LMA)
TN	WTNN-670	Farragut	314 from 670, Inc. to Horne Radio, LLC
	WSMT-1050/105.5/Sparta/ WTZX-860		314 from Austin Broadcasting Corporation to Sparta CBC, Inc.
			(\$615,000; includes \$75,000 promissory note and LMA; broker is Hadden & Assoc.)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

TX KRJT-1410/100.7 Bowie 316 from Bowie-Nocona Broadcasting Co., Inc.
to Billy J. Etter

KMND-1510/ Midland/
KBAT-93.3/KNFM-92.3/ 316 from New Frontier Communications, Inc.
KGEE-99.9/ Monahans/
KODM-97.9 Odessa
to New Frontier Licensing Corporation

KPXI-100.7 Mount Pleasant 314 from East Texas Broadcasting, Inc.
to Sunburst Dallas, LP

VA WRIC-FM-100.7 Richlands (\$6,273,677; includes \$2,407,000 promissory note) 314 from Clinch Valley Broadcasting Corp.
to Peggy Sue Broadcasting Corporation

WV WEIR-1430 Weirton (\$190,000; includes \$150,000 promissory note; assumes liabilities) 314 from McGraw Broadcasting Corporation
to Priority Communications of Ohio, LLC

WI WSRG-97.7 Sturgeon Bay 314 from Fleet Broadcasting, Inc.
to Magnum Broadcasting, Inc.

DISMISSED STATION TRANSFERS

CT WINE-940/ Brookfield (D) 314 from Danbury Broadcasting, Inc.
WRKI-95.1 to Upper Fairfield Radio, LLC
(dismissed by letter dated 10/22/98)

FL WFAV-1400 Ft. Walton Bch (D) 314 from Liberty Broadcasting, LLC
to Gulf Breeze Media, Inc.
(dismissed per applicant's request)

NY WPUT-1510/ Brewster (D)/ 314 from Commodore Media of Westchester
WAXB-105.5 Patterson (D) to Upper Fairfield Radio, LLC
(dismissed by letter dated 10/22/98)

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

LA KJAE Leesville to 93.5 C3 from 92.7 A, comments due Dec. 14,
replies Dec. 29

FM ALLOCATIONS: GRANTED AMENDMENTS

AR KAFW(CP) Wilson to 94.7 A Turrell, AR from 103.7 A, Wilson, AR

MT new Boulder add 107.7 A, window will be addressed by the
Commission in a subsequent order

NY WWFY(CP) Hague to 93.7 C3, Addison, VT from 93.7 A, Hague, NY

OK new Soper add 96.5 A, window will be addressed by the
Commission in a subsequent order

TX KDET-FM Center to 100.5 A from 102.3 A

KLJT Jacksonville to 102.3 C2 from A

FM ALLOCATIONS: DISMISSED AMENDMENTS

TX new Roxton (D) add 102.7 A

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

The Portals ain't so bad, we hear from one FCC staffer who tells M Street he's pleasantly surprised by the new situation. (Or maybe things were portrayed so grimly over there in Southwest Washington that anything nicer than the Bastille would look plush.) The plan is for public functions (including the Secretary and the Office of Public Affairs) to move first, and that's already happened. The Commissioners will be in the second wave (probably in early January). Followed by the Mass Media Bureau and other service components (mid-January through mid-February). We still want to know -- Where can you get a good burger around there?

Three more red flags from the FCC: The Commission announces it will subject Jacor's \$7.5 million Intermart deal in Ft. Myers, FL to its new "additional analysis" test, to weigh possible over-concentration. The scrutiny and public comment process involves country WIKX, Charlotte Harbor (92.9 MHz); easy listening "Seaview" WCVU, Solana (104.9 MHz); and news/talk WCCF, Punta Gorda (1580 KHz). The FCC's new red-flagging is controversial and has yet to be tested. Chairman Bill Kennard wants the FCC to play a role in umpiring concentration, separate from the DOJ's own antitrust determination.

Same faces in the same places: Tuesday's elections -- which produced some pleasant surprises for Democrats -- probably signal no change for broadcast regulation. That's because the GOP retains control of both houses, and the key committee leaders (like John McCain, Billy Tauzin, Tom Bliley and John Dingell) all won re-election. M Street notes one new face in the House of Representatives: Republican Greg Walden, the owner of four stations in Oregon (including hot AC KCGB, Hood River), who defeats Democrat Kevin Campbell to take the vacant Second District seat.

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK (cont'd)

Two changes up at the FCC's Enforcement Division. Colleen Heitkamp becomes Assistant Chief of the Division. And Alexander Starr is named Chief of the Formal Complaints and Investigations Branch.

More allowance money: Public broadcasting gets its first raise from Uncle Sam in five years (\$250 million to \$300 million). Though the hike won't begin to cover the cost of going digital for TV (and let's not even think about converting to DAB for radio). One reason the Corporation for Public Broadcasting is getting a fatter check -- public pressure on lawmakers from fans of public radio and TV enterprises. It really paid off.

Back in business: WLMA, Greenwood, SC (1350 KHz) is sighing with relief, after the Commission grants its Petition for Reconsideration and restores its authority to operate. Licensee is Morrradio, Inc. (880525US)

ELSEWHERE

Hola, Miami! Z-Spanish cracks the Miami market with the \$5,650,000 purchase of WLQY, Hollywood, FL (1320 KHz). Seller is religious specialist Genesis Communications. WLQY's facility is 5,000 watts full-time, with different directional patterns day and night. WLQY currently does ethnic programming -- the only Genesis station not airing a Christian format. Genesis also operates in Atlanta (WNIV at 970 KHz and WLTA, Alpharetta at 1400 KHz), Tampa (WWBA, Pinellas Park at 1040 KHz), and it has an LMA-to-buy with WSGA, Savannah (1400 KHz). Broker Mark Jorgenson repped Genesis.

Clear Channel is officially folding in the four Radio Enterprise stations in the Albany, NY market. M Street notes that on Clear Channel website, these properties have been listed as part of "The Clear Channel Family" for some time. Principals in seller Radio Enterprises include David Arcara and Jim Arcara (Jim is the former ABC Radio chief). Stations: WQBK-FM, Rensselaer, NY (103.9 MHz) and simulcast partner WQBJ, Cobleskill, NY (103.5 MHz); classic rock WXCR, Ballston Spa, NY (102.3 MHz); and all-sports "Team" WTMM, Rensselaer (1300 KHz).

Indianapolis-based Alliance Broadcasting says it's buying Michigan group owner Northern Radio Networks. It doesn't release price, terms or stations, but M Street believes there are six stations involved, including NE Michigan-market AC WHSB, Alpena, MI (107.7 MHz), and country simulcast WHAK AM and FM, Rogers City, MI (960 KHz and 99.9 MHz).

Minneapolis radio personality Jesse Ventura shocks the pundits and wins the Minnesota governor's race. "The Body" never had an upset victory this big when he was a pro wrestler! And radio -- regular exposure on news/talk KSTP, rock KQRS-FM and sports KFAN -- is what made him a household name in Minnesota. From there, it was a matter of developing his populist image. Back when he started doing radio for the Tampa Bay Bucs he was Jesse "The Body" Ventura. Then he became a regular in the Twin Cities on both KSTP and the KQRS. Now -- call him "Mr. Governor."

Not all the Children's Broadcasting stations went to the Catholic Radio Network: Another piece of the selloff is the spin (for \$2.7 million) of two religious stations to Salem. That deal just closed. Stations are Houston-market KTEK, Alvin, TX (1110 KHz) and Twin Cities-market KYCR, Golden Valley, MN (1570 KHz). Brokerage credits: Star Media's Peter Handy for Children's, Questcom's Don Bussell for Salem. And there's another station to track here: KUPN, Mission, KS (1480 KHz). Children's was going to buy that from Sinclair but apparently never closed on it. It is simulcasting Catholic Radio Network-owned KCNW, Fairway, KS (1380 KHz), which does religious programming. M Street believes the programming will stay on KUPN after KCNW switches to it's Catholic talk programming. M Street will keep an eye on this for you.

A Rupert Murdoch-backed group wins the battle to acquire UK's Talk Radio. Kelvin MacKenzie used to be the editor of the Murdoch-owned "Sun", Britain's largest-selling tabloid paper. Now he's heading a consortium called "TalkCo" that has acquired CLT-UFA's stake in one of the country's few national radio stations. Reuters reports the deal values Talk Radio at around \$41 million. M Street remembers that Emmis once owned a minority stake in Talk Radio.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

The RAB says local revenue almost caught up with red-hot national revenue in September. Radio Advertising Bureau finds double-digit gains in each of its five reporting regions for both local and national dollars. Local averaged a 15% gain in September (the West was the biggest-gaining region, with 18%). National averaged a 16% increase (the Southeast was highest, with 26%). Year-to-date, the RAB says local is ahead 10% and national 15%. Details should be up soon at <http://www.rab.com>.

Inflation's low, and so is the latest AP rate hike -- 2.2%. They call it a "general assessment", and it's for both broadcast and newspaper members of the newsgathering cooperative. The increase takes effect on February 7, 1999.

M STREET BAZAAR. . . PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

In Cleveland, Jacor spares the Buzzard and keeps WMMS rockin'. GM Jim Meltzer cites overwhelming response from listeners. Surprised? Classic rock rival WNCX isn't -- it's been merciless about calling the month-long "goodbye" promo a gimmick. But Meltzer says listener feedback in the form of calls, faxes and e-mails convinced Jacor there was enough brand equity in "WMMS" and "The Buzzard" to keep the package -- and keep the station rock.

Youthful indiscretion: "Clublove.com" is happily putting nude photos of Dr. Laura on its website (for a fee), after a Los Angeles federal judge rules that it can. The Schlessinger legal team was able to get a Temporary Restraining Order on Friday, October 23, but this week (Monday, 11/2), Judge Dean Pregerson lifted the TRO and refused to grant a preliminary injunction. The defendant was Seattle-based Internet Entertainment Group. The Premiere-syndicated Dr. Laura addressed the issue on her Tuesday show (11/3) and said former intimate Bill Ballance was doing a "morally reprehensible" thing by supplying the 23-year-old photos to IEG. She thanked her listeners for their support and said there had been "profound changes" in her life since she first met pioneering Los Angeles talkhost Ballance.

A run on the banks: The Federal Reserve acts after a St. Louis jock triggers a panic over the redesigned \$20 bill. No, the old \$20 bills didn't expire at midnight. But there was a panic in St. Louis Tuesday (11/3), sparked by CHR KSLZ, St. Louis personality Rich Stevens. He told people to get out and vote, then turn in their old \$20 bills by midnight. It got so crazy, so fast, that the U.S. Federal Reserve issued a statement: "They [KSLZ] put people in a panic needlessly. . . that's why we moved so quickly to get a retraction from the station." Which the Fed got, along with an apology. The Fed also issued a memo to banks. And 2107.7 got swamped with calls (and probably revealed in the attention). This \$20 stunt started about two weeks ago in Santa Barbara. Uncle Sam is not amused, but apparently isn't prosecuting stations.

Westwood drops "Mystery Theater" and "House of Blues." It inherited "House of Blues" from CBS, and of course the "Mystery Theater" radio drama series ran on CBS for many years (and was only recently revived). Both disappear into the ether very soon: "Mystery Theater" after the November 27th show. "House of Blues" and "Blues Breaks" at the end of the year.

One-On-One Sports Network signs a sales-rep deal with United Stations. The sports syndicator claims four O&Os (New York, Chicago, Los Angeles and Boston) and 401 total affiliates using at least some of its programming. USRN reached a similar ad-sales deal with syndicator Talk America back in April.

Electronic delivery specialist DG Systems hooks up with an Australian counterpart (Sky Radio Network), using its newly-acquired Capella technology. It got Capella along with the Digital Courier acquisition. This new arrangement links stations on the two continents. M Street notes that some American companies (like Clear Channel) have interests Down Under -- and there could be increases in traffic as we steam toward the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

What's Arbitron got up its sleeve for the next year? It usually reveals quite a lot at the annual "Consultants Fly-In", and M Street will be there in Columbia, MD on November 13 (Friday the 13th!!!) to cover the news for you.

At ABC Radio Networks, the multi-talented Ralph Modugno gets a promotion to Senior Vice President, overseeing areas like finance, MIS, engineering and new distribution technology.

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WHAT'S WRONG WITH THIS PICTURE? . . . Plenty: You can't HEAR it. M Street awards its first-ever "Bloopie" to Florida State House candidate Helen Spivey. She wins (in the Political Division) for running her TV ad on the radio -- and unfortunately it had no spoken text. The St. Petersburg Times reports radio listeners heard only the sounds of a beating heart (reflecting her sensitive on-camera concern for the elderly) and sirens and gunshots (demonstrating Spivey's tough stance on crime, also seen on-camera). The only words came at the end: "I'm Helen Spivey. Vote for me." Spivey says "I was going around buying more radio time because I had some money left." We don't mean to pick on Spivey. She's just the latest example of a phenomenon that happens every day -- Radio is an afterthought to many advertisers. And if they don't understand the medium, they won't get the results they want.

ALL THINGS CONSIDERED. . . National Public Radio needed to find a new president/CEO since the resignation of Delano Lewis, and it's found its man. He's Kevin Klose, veteran journalist and current Director of the U.S. International Broadcasting Bureau. M Street notes the IBB oversees the Voice of America, Worldnet Television and the Office of Cuba Broadcasting, and provides support for Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty and Radio Free Asia. Klose is 58, and takes over at National Public Radio in mid-December. M Street also notes that Klose's mother and father worked in radio in the 1930s and 1940s. Kevin himself was both a Bureau Chief (in Moscow) and Deputy National Editor at the Washington Post. Plenty more of the week's news, in both commercial and non-commercial radio, inside this week's M Street Journal.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		formerly	becomes
AL Huntsville	WDJL-1000	gospel & urban	gospel & R&B oldies
	(WDJL keeps gospel am drive & goes ABC - urban gold the rest)		
AK Homer	KWVW-FM-103.5	JRN - AC	JRN - soft AC
AZ Phoenix	KIDR-740	# variety	Unica - Spanish talk
	(KIDR enters into an LMA-to-buy with Unica December 1st)		
CA Los Angeles	KYPA-1230	brokered religion	brokered variety
	(KYPA is filling unsold dayparts with a simulcast of sister KALI)		
Pasadena (L.A.)	KRLA-1110	oldies	talk
	(Imus 3-9a, Michael Jackson 9-12n, Toni Grant 12-3p, Liddy 3-7p, Sports By-line 7-10p, Ed Tyll 10-1a)		
San Jacinto (Rivers.)	KWRP-96.1	# adult standards	JRN - standards
	(KWRP runs a local swing show 8 to 12 midnight)		
CO Longmont (Denver)	KLMO-1060	# country	adds JRN - country
FL High Springs (Gainsvl)	WRKG-104.9	classic rock	adds Lex and Terry
Vero Beach (Ft. Pierce)	WGYL-93.7	soft AC	ABC - adult contemporary
GA Mount Vernon	WYUM-101.7	new	JRN CD - country
	(WYUM is not "Mix" or "Kiss", it's "Sweet Onion Country")		
Perry (Macon)	WPGA-980	adult standards	Disney - children's
ID Burley (Twin Falls)	KZDX-99.9	# hot AC	modern AC "Buzz"
	(KZDX & KBAR are now a combo with KBBK, KETO, KKMV, KMXV & KART)		
IL Decatur	WYDS-93.1	country	CHR "The Party"
KS Salina	KZBZ-104.9	soft AC	adds JRN - soft AC
KY Georgetown (Lexington)	WTKT-1580	urban	adult standards
	("SAI 1580" will take programming from, but not simulcast with, WSAI Cincinnati)		

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KY Midway (Lexington)	WAHY-107.9	urban	adds ABC's Tom Joyner
Stamping Ground (Lex.)	WKYI-96.1	cont. Christian	reported silent
(WKYI ends its LMA with Mortenson Broadcasting)			
ME Searsport	WBYA-101.7	# classical // WAVX	talk // WVOM
(WBYA is now a combo with WVOM)			
Thomaston (Augusta)	WAVX-106.9	# classical	WBQX, classical // WBQQ
(WAVX joins a three way simulcast of WBQX, WBQQ and WBQW)			
MA Boston	WNFT-1150	# urban AC	Spanish tropical
Dedham (Boston)	WBPS-890	# brokered variety	Spanish AC
(WBPS and soon to be sister WNFT enter into an LMA-to-buy Dec. 1 with Mega Broadcasting)			
MN Luverne (Sioux Falls)	KQAD-800	WW1 - standards	WW1 - soft AC
Olivia	KOLV-100.1	# country & oldies	adds ABC Real - CW
(KOLV adds ABC nights and drops its oldies programming)			
Superior (Duluth)	KRBR-102.5	rock	adds Bob & Tom
MO La Monte	KPOW-FM-97.1	new	classic rock "K-Power"
MT Billings	KCMT-96.3	new	country "Thunder"
(KCMT is a combo with hot AC KYA, talk KBLG and classic rock KRKX)			
NY Watertown	WUZZ-1410	oldies	ABC - urban gold
PA Ridgebury (Elmira)	WREQ-96.9	# silent	MGS - cont. Christian
(WREQ returns to the air in December)			
TX Fort Worth	KAHZ-1360	# variety	Unica - Spanish talk
(KAHZ enters into an LMA-to-buy with Unica December 1st)			
WA Othello	KRSC-1400	# variety & Spanish	brokered Spanish
(KRSC is in an LMA-to-buy with Roberto Coronada Lopez)			
WV Milton (Huntington)	WAMX-106.3	rock	adds John Boy & Billy
Romney (Cumberland)	WDZN-100.1	adult contemporary	Disney - children's
(WDZN is Disney's first FM affiliate)			

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)

			(+ competes with existing application)
AZ 89.9*	Bullhead City	40000 v , 2991 ft DA	CSN International
IN 89.3*	Logansport	25h,14000v,400 ft DA	CSN International
90.9*	Morgantown	3300 w, 328 ft DA	CSN International
MI 88.9*	Lapeer	10 w (v), 33 ft	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg.
MS 88.5*	Columbus	975 w, 89 ft	MS University for Women
MT 88.1*	Billings	250 w (v), 331 ft	Solid Rock Bcstg., Inc.
PA 90.9**	Carbondale	2000 w, -423 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
90.9*	Honesdale	200 w, 912 ft	Four Rivers Comm. Bcstg.
VA 89.5*	Fredericksburg	10 w (v), 338 ft	Central VA Educational
BC 103.9	Big White Mountain	30 w	SILK FM Broadcasting, Ltd.
(This station would rebroadcast CILK-FM)			
ON 90.7*	Paris	4000 w	Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
(This station would rebroadcast CBL-FM)			

Returned/Dismissed Applications

AR 88.9*	El Dorado (R)	Bcstg. for the Challenged
MI 89.3*	Jackson (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
OK 88.1*	Coweta (R)	Creative Educ. Media Corp.
88.7*	Tulsa (R)	The University of Tulsa
TX 91.1*	Daingerfield (R)	KEGG Communications, Inc.
91.3*	Greenville (R)	Bill R. Wright

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

GA 88.3*	Jasper	100 w, 3 ft, DA	Community Public Radio, Inc.
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TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

CA new-89.7*	Delano	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-89.3*	Imperial	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-89.5*	Porterville	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
FL new-89.3*	Eastport	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
OR new-91.1*	Colton	KEFX	Calv. Chapel/Costa Mesa
new-91.9*	Elwood	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-91.9*	Tillamook	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
TX new-90.3*	Bushland	KEFX	Calv. Chapel/Costa Mesa
new-89.7*	Edna	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-89.5*	El Campo	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-88.1*	Freeport	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-89.5*	La Feria	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-91.1*	Louise	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.
new-91.9*	Port Lavaca	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangel.

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR:

TX new-91.3* Rio Grande City
 new-88.1* Uvalde
 new-90.1* Victoria
 WA new-91.9* Chehalis
 new-91.1* Eufaula
 new-91.9* Fall City
 new-88.9* Fall City
 WI new-88.7* Eau Claire

APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

KCZO Paulino Bernal Evangel.
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 KAWZ Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
 KAWZ Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
 KEFX Calv. Chapel/Costa Mesa
 KAWZ Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
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TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR:

GA W220CK-91.9* Toccoa
 MS W213AY-91.7* Columbus
 NV K218CS-91.5* Crescent Valley
 NY W210BH-89.9* Fenner
 W201CB-88.1* Lowville
 VA W217AY-91.3* Franklin
 WA K207CS-89.3* Wenatchee

GRANTS

10 w, WLFJ Radio Training Net.
 10 w (v), DA, WPCS Pensacola Christian Coll.
 93 w (v), KUNR University of Nevada
 10 w, WXXC Syracuse Comm. Radio
 10 w, WSLJ St. Lawrence University
 13 w (v), WJYJ Educ. Media Foundation
 20 w, KAWZ Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AL WJCK-88.3* Cedartown

requests extension of time to increase to 27000 w, 1001 ft, DA, class C3, change xmtr location to 33-50-17 85-43-57, change city of license to Piedmont, AL
 changes to 26000 w, 298 ft, class C2 license to cover for new station
 increases to 764 ft, class C1, changes xmtr location to 64-55-20 147-42-55 license to cover for new station
 requests 4th extension of time
 increases to 1000 w days, ND-D built new auxiliary facility
 requests replacement of expired CP
 increases to 6000 w, 302 ft, changes xmtr location to 33-45-21 117-51-18 granted extension of time
 changes to 16000 w, 836 ft
 requests replacement of expired CP to decrease to 3900 w days, 840 w nights, change to DA-2, change xmtr location to 33-31-29 81-54-31, increase to 2 towers days
 requests extension of time
 decreases to 470 w nights, DA-N, changes xmtr location to 37-47-16 89-54-21 license to cover for new station
 increases to 318 ft
 moves to 105.7 B, increases to 22500 w (v), 735 ft, adds DA
 license to cover for new station
 increases to 262 ft, changes xmtr location to 44-12-41 86-17-53
 requests 10th extension of time
 built new auxiliary facility
 requests 2nd replacement of expired CP
 license to cover for new station
 changes to 1250 w, 515 ft, changes xmtr location to 40-47-19 74-15-20
 requests 3rd replacement of expired CP to increase to 5000 w days, decrease to 800 w nights, change to DA-2, change city of license to Washington Township, NJ, increase to 4 towers days, decrease to 2 towers nights
 requests replacement of expired CP to add 45 w nights, ND
 changes to 19000 w, 1811 ft, changes xmtr location to 35-13-20 82-32-58
 changes to 5200 w, 656 ft, class C3, changes xmtr loc. to 34-52-17 79-08-49
 increases to 13500 w, 1932 ft, adds DA
 increases to 100000 w, 794 ft
 changes to 2300 w, 538 ft

WULA-FM-92.7 Eufaula
 WBFA-101.3 Smiths
 AK KWLF-98.1 Fairbanks
 KEUL-88.9* Girdwood
 KADX(CP)-94.7 Houston
 CA KTNS-1090 Oakhurst
 KROQ-FM-106.7 Pasadena
 KPAT(CP)-88.5* San Luis Obispo
 KALI-FM-106.3 Santa Ana
 CO KAVP(CP)-1450 Colona
 CT WPLR-99.1 New Haven
 GA WGAC-580 Augusta
 HI KANO(CP)-91.1* Hilo
 IL KSGM-980 Chester
 IN WQSH-93.1 Clarksville
 IA KORB-93.5 Bettendorf
 MA WRQR-104.5 Wilmington
 MI WQSN-1660 Kalamazoo
 WXYQ-101.5 Manistee
 WBGV(CP)-92.5 Marlette
 MO KRES-104.7 Moberly
 MT KBEX(CP)-105.1 Billings
 NV KXXL-93.7 Sun Valley
 NJ WFMU-91.1* East Orange
 WNJC-1360 Vineland
 NY WYLF-850 Penn Yan
 NC WMYI-102.5 Hendersonville
 WUKS-107.7 St. Pauls
 WHQR-91.3* Wilmington
 ND KCAD-99.1 Dickinson
 OH WVNU-97.5 Greenfield

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

OH WWJM-106.3	New Lexington	moves to 105.9 MHz
OR KXL-FM-95.5	Portland	built new auxiliary facility
PR WQVN-960	Quebradillas	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 1000 w days, 1700 w nights, change to DA-1, change xmtr location to 18-20-08 67-01-51
SD KSOB-95.7	Dell Rapids	license to cover for new station
TN WHHM-FM-107.7	Henderson	increases to 25000 w, 308 ft, class C3
WHDM-1440	McKenzie	changes xmtr location to 36-07-20 88-31-31
WXVO-98.7	Oliver Springs	built new auxiliary facility
TX KYKR-95.1	Beaumont	requests replacement of expired CP to increase to 1069 ft, class C, change xmtr location to 30-09-31 93-59-11
KWCB-89.7*	Floresville	built new auxiliary facility
KONO-FM-101.1	Helotes	decreases to 98000 w, 991 ft
VA WDZY-1290	Colonial Heights	increases to 25000 w days, ND
WJRV-105.7	Richmond	cancel CP to change to 3000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr loc. to 37-30-11 77-30-08
WY KRVK-107.7	Midwest	license to cover for new station

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS

AL WZZX-780	Lineville	(& reapplication) [docket number]
WRMG-1430	Red Bay	direct measurement of antenna power
AZ KESP-101.1	Payson	direct measurement of antenna power
CA KLVY-91.1*	Fairmead	modify CP to change to 77000 w, 1069 ft
KACE-103.9	Inglewood	increase to 9100 w, 1148 ft, add DA
KEZR-106.5	San Jose	modify CP to increase to 4100 w
CO KBNO-1220	Denver	change to 22500 w, 745 ft, change xmtr location to 37-14-22 121-43-07
KKYD-1340	Denver	correct coordinates to 39-41-00 105-00-24
FL WJST-106.3	Fort Myers Villas	correct coordinates to 39-41-00 105-00-24
IL WRTE-90.5*	Chicago	increase to 50000 w, 472 ft, drop DA, class C2, change xmtr location to 26-29-16 81-55-49 [94-155]
IA KDSN-1530	Denison	increase to 100 w, 85 ft, class A
KIIC(CP)-97.9	Lamoni	direct measurement of antenna power
MA WCAV-97.7	Brockton	drop DA, change xmtr location to 40-48-52 93-50-15
MN KBGY(CP)-107.5	Faribault	change to 2700 w, 492 ft, change xmtr location to 42-07-28 71-00-05
MS WXRZ-94.3	Corinth	decrease to 35000 w, 338 ft, change xmtr location to 44-28-10 93-25-49
MO KGKS-93.9	Scott City	one step application to increase to class C3, 25000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr location to 34-48-36 88-34-45
MT KMZL(CP)-91.1*	Missoula	one step application to increase to class C3, 16500 w, 407 ft, add DA, change xmtr loc. to 37-21-34 89-37-16 [73-215]
NY WMAX-FM-107.3	Honeoye Falls	increase to 2053 ft
WHLD-1270	Niagara Falls	change to 650 w, 994 ft, change xmtr loc. to 42-44-47 77-25-35, change city of lic. to South Bristol Township, NY [98-8]
WNVE-95.1	South Bristol	decrease to 143 w nights, change to DA-1, change xmtr loc. to 42-44-41 78-53-13, increase to 5 towers days and nights
OH WJER-1450	Dover	change to 50000 w, 417 ft, change xmtr location to 43-02-01 77-25-18, change city of license to Honeoye Falls, NY [98-8]
OK KYLV-88.9*	Oklahoma City	direct measurement of antenna power
SD KGFX-1060	Pierre	increase to 4400 w, 676 ft, change xmtr location to 35-34-24 97-29-08
UT KCPW-88.3*	Salt Lake City	direct measurement of antenna power
VI WPPD(CP)-98.5	Frederiksted	increase to 2350 w, -200 w, add DA, change xmtr loc. to 40-45-48 111-53-23
		one step application to move to 98.3 MHz, change to 1900 w, 915 ft, change xmtr location to 17-44-51 64-50-11 [73-215]

Returned/Dismissed Applications

NH WVN(CP)-91.1*	Concord (D)	increase to 1000 w (v), 331 ft, change xmtr location to 43-23-54 71-25-24
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FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

AL WRMG-1430	Red Bay	direct measurement of antenna power
AR KBTA(CP)-FM-99.5	Batesville	change to 3400 w, 426 ft, change xmtr location to 35-52-07 91-35-14
CA KBYN-95.9	Arnold	change to 980 w, 807 ft, change xmtr location to 38-22-42 120-11-36
KGBA-100.1	Holtville	change to 3000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr location to 32-47-40 115-29-53
FL WAQV(CP)-90.9*	Crystal River	increase to 3700 w, change xmtr location to 29-01-54 82-27-08
WPBZ-103.1	Indiantown	increase to 90000 w, class C1 [94-155]
WFLC-97.3	Miami	change xmtr loc. to 25-58-03 80-12-34 [73-215]
IL WMCL-1060	McLeansboro	add 2 w nights, DA-1
KY WTHL-90.5*	Somerset	increase to 50000 w, add DA, class C1
MA WJLT-1060	Natick	modify CP to change to DA-2, add 22000 w (critical hours), increase to 2 towers days
WCRB-102.5	Waltham	change to 8100 w, 1151 ft, change xmtr location to 42-18-27 71-13-27 [73-215]
		(as amended)
MI WVXA-96.7*	Rogers City	correct coordinates to 45-21-02 83-46-58
WLKM-1510	Three Rivers	modify CP to decrease to 440 w days, ND-D, change xmtr loc. to 41-55-43 85-38-15
NE KUCV-90.9*	Lincoln	move to 91.1 MHz, increase to 20000 w, change xmtr loc. to 40-31-06 96-46-06
		(as amended)
NY WVIP-1310	Mount Kisco	direct measurement of antenna power
SC WSNW-1150	Seneca	direct measurement of antenna power
TX KWCB-89.7*	Floresville	build new auxiliary facility
KDXT-FM-106.7	Granbury	increase to 1338 ft, change xmtr location to 32-16-31 98-01-22
KBOP(CP)FM-95.7	Jourdanton	one step application to increase to class C3, 12500 w, 462 ft
KMMX-100.3	Tahoka	correct coordinates to 33-26-31 101-52-40
UT KTSP-1450	Saint George	change xmtr loc. to 37-04-05 113-31-08
WA KELA-1470	Centralia	correct antenna height
WI WVCF-90.5*	Eau Claire	change to 900 w, 312 ft

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AL WFMH-1460/101.1	Cullman	315 from Eddins Bcstg. (Est./B.C. Eddin) to Eddins Bcstg. (Mary Evelyn Jones, et al)
AR KBBL-1350	Cabot	314 from Hall Broadcasting, Inc. to Equity Broadcasting Corporation
		(\$1.5 million; includes \$75,000 in brokerage fees to MGMT Services)
FL WLQY-1320	Hollywood	314 from Genesis Communications II, Inc. to WZMZ License Company, LLC
WCCF-1580/	Punta Gorda/	314 from Intermart Bcstg. of SW Florida
WIKX-92.9/		to Citicasters Co.
WCVU-104.9	Solana	
GA WQPW-95.7	Valdosta	314 from Metro Media Broadcasting, Inc. to Brooks Broadcasting Corporation, Inc.
WVLD-1450	Valdosta	314 from Valdosta Media Services, Inc. to Al Brooks Communications, Inc.
		(\$1.6 million for WQPW and WVLD; includes \$400,000 promissory note and assumption of liabilities)
IL WKRS-1220/	Waukegan	314 from Spring Broadcasting Of Illinois
WXLC-102.3		to Belvidere Broadcasting Company, LP
		(\$4.3 million)
MA WBPS-890	Dedham	314 from Achievement Radio Holdings, Inc. to Mega Communications of Dedham License
		(\$4 million; includes three year non-compete; includes LMA)
MI WWBR-102.7	Mount Clemens	315 from Allur-Detroit (Syndicated Comm.) to Allur-Detroit (Radio One, Inc.)
MS WJWF-1400/	Columbus	314 from Radio Columbus, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corporation
WMBC-103.1		(\$4.5 million; includes three year non-compete)
WFOR-1400/	Hattiesburg	314 from Radio Hattiesburg, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corporation
WHER-103.7		
PA WLWJ(CP)-88.5*	Masontown	314 from He's Alive, Inc. to Bible Broadcasting Network, Inc.
		(\$250,000)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

TX KCOM-1550	Comanche	314 from Arrowhead Broadcasting, Inc. to Texas West Media, Inc. (\$165,000)
KHOY-88.1*	Laredo	314 from Diocesan Telecommunications Corp. to Laredo Catholic Communications, Inc. (\$1,000)
KBOP-1380/ KBUC-98.3/ KBOP(CP)FM-95.7	Pleasanton/ Jourdanton	316 from Redding Broadcasting Company to Redding Enterprises, Ltd.
VA WPTG-107.9	West Point	314 from Real Radio, Inc. to Colonial Broadcasting, LLC (\$1 million; includes \$300,000 promissory note)
WV WOBG-1400	Clarksburg	314 from Hilber Corporation to Burbach Broadcasting Co. of Delaware (\$624,868; assumption of liabilities; includes non-compete)
WTUS-102.7	Mannington	314 from Summit Media Bcstg., Inc. to Burbach Broadcasting Co. of Delaware (\$340,000; includes \$10,000 for non-compete; \$225,000 promissory note)
WOBG-FM-105.7	Salem	314 from Hilber Corporation to Burbach Broadcasting Co. of Delaware

145 Form 316 Transfer Applications were filed by CBS Corporation to Infinity Broadcasting Corporation on November 10. 13 additional Form 316 Transfer Applications were filed from Group W Broadcasting, LP to Infinity.

Form 314 Transfer Applications were filed from Hochman Communications, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corporation for Arkansas stations: KREB and KAMO-FM, Rogers; KREB-FM, Huntsville; KMCK, Siloam Springs and KZRA and KBRS in Springdale.

Caribou Broadcasting, LP filed Form 314 Transfer Applications to New Wave Broadcasting, LP for Hawaii stations KQMQ-AM and FM and KPOI-FM, Honolulu; and KKHN in Waipahu.

62nd Street Broadcasting of Saginaw filed Form 314 Transfer Applications to Citadel License, Inc. for Michigan stations WIOG, Bay City; WKQZ, Midland; WMJK, Pinconning and WSGW, WMJA and WGER-FM in Saginaw. The sale price is \$35 million. Broker on the deal is Foreman and Co.

DISMISSED STATION TRANSFERS

NC WBZB-1090	Selma (D)	314 from C and J Broadcasting, Inc. to The Word Became Flesh Ministries, Inc. (dismissed by letter)
SC WPAL-730	Charleston (D)	316 invol. from WPAL, Inc. to Klein B. Beach, Jr. Receiver (dismissed per applicant's request)
WA KBRO-1490/ KNTB-1480	Bremerton (D)/ Lakewood (D)	315 from Washington Bcstg. Management Co. to Triangle Broadcasting Co., Inc. (dismissed per applicant's request)

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

GA WLRR	Milledgeville	to 100.7 C3, Social Circle, GA from 100.7 A, Milledgeville, GA, counterproposal, replies due Nov. 18
MI new	Crystal Falls	add 96.7 A, counterproposal, replies due Nov. 18
MS WZKR(CP)	Kosciusko	to 103.3 C3 Decatur, MS from Kosciusko, MS, counterproposal, replies due November 18
OK KMAD-FM	Madill	to 102.5 C2, Whitesboro, TX from 102.5 A, Madill, OK counterproposal, replies due Nov. 18
new	Soper	to 96.5 A from 102.7 A, counterproposal, replies due November 18
TX new	Corrigan	add 100.1 A, counterproposal, replies due Nov. 18
new	Cross Plains	add 96.9 C3, comments due Dec. 21, replies Jan. 5
new	Leonard	add 102.5 A, counterproposal, replies due Nov. 18
new	Roxton	to 98.9 A from 102.7 A, counterproposal, replies due November 18

FM ALLOCATIONS: GRANTED AMENDMENTS

MT new	Stevensville	add 104.5 A
new	Whitefish	add 105.1 A
NE new	Humboldt	add 96.7 A
NV new	Elko	add 94.5 C3
SD new	Brandon	add 100.1 A

(windows will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order)

FM ALLOCATIONS: DISMISSED AMENDMENTS

AL WGCX(CP) East Brewton (Den.) to 95.7 C3, Navarre, FL from 95.7 A, East Brewton, AL

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

Should the FCC even HAVE an EEO policy? Beyond what the Law of the Land requires, that is. FCC Chairman Bill Kennard strongly believes in policies that encourage broadcasters to recruit and hire women and minorities. And despite two federal court defeats, he's going to try again. Here's his possible new approach: Broadcasters would still have to recruit women and minorities -- but might not have to worry about whether their staffing mirrors the makeup of the market. Kennard's latest EEO proposal could come at the November 19 Open Meeting, or later if the item's not ready. Can Chairman Kennard craft something that's meaningful (to him), and still get votes from the other four Commissioners?

Getting serious about DAB -- The Commission has officially opened comment on USA Digital's Petition for Rulemaking, filed back on October 7. The Petition proposes to make In-Band On-Channel the roadmap to Digital Audio Broadcasting in the U.S. That means keeping AM and FM in their current bands -- unlike the rest of the world, which is following the out-of-band solution pioneered by the European Eureka-147 coalition. USADR proposes allowing the simultaneous broadcast of analog and digital during a transition period, and settling on one IBOC system as the standard (remember AM stereo?). December 23 is the Comment Date. January 25, 1999 is the Reply Comment date. You can download (using Adobe Acrobat) the full text of USA Digital's Petition for Rulemaking from the FCC's website: http://www.fcc.gov/Bureaus/Mass_Media/filings/rm9395.pdf. So far, M Street hasn't seen reaction from USADR's biggest rival, Lucent Digital Radio.

The rookie gets to start -- The Republican Party picked Oregon station owner and new Congressman Greg Walden to handle the party's first national Radio Address after the November 3 elections. It's an unprecedented opportunity for a newcomer to voice the weekly Republican radio address. Walden owns four stations east of Portland, OR, including KCGB, Hood River.

Radio-TV waivers are going to be under the microscope at the Commission, but here's one that apparently got through unscathed: The Mass Media Bureau Chief grants a permanent one-to-a-market waiver for New Life Evangelistic Center to own both WINU (880 KHz), Highland, IL and KNLC (TV), St. Louis, MO. The Commission also granted assignment of the licenses of WINU and WBDI (1510 KHz), both Highland, IL from Win-You to New Life Evangelistic Center. (DA 98-2259)

The Commission kills a settlement agreement involving a new 95.3 MHz Class A FM licensed to Gulf Breeze, FL. That's after finding that J. McCarthy Miller is indeed a "qualified applicant." Two other applicants -- Breeze Broadcasting and Maranatha Broadcasting -- had filed a Settlement Agreement on 12/29/97 after an FCC Review Board disqualified Miller. Now the Commission reverses course and finds in Miller's favor. (FCC No. 98-286)

FCC pirate raids have shut down an unlicensed operator in Pittsburgh (where Mark Lange ran "Radio Carson" at 91.7 MHz), plus shortwave radio operations in Tewksbury, MA; Glendale Heights, IL; Katy, TX; and Sierra Madre, CA. In the Pittsburgh bust, the FCC and FBI cooperated to seize Lange's equipment. (FCC Reports No. CI 98-20 and CI 98-21)

CANADA THIS WEEK

Shaw Communications wins CRTC approval to split up its media assets into two companies. Shaw's 11 radio stations will become part of a new company named "Mediaco." Still pending: CRTC approval on the radio stations Shaw wants to acquire from WIC.

Digital Audio Broadcasting launches in its second Canadian market -- Vancouver, BC. Toronto was first, and Montreal is coming shortly. Digital Radio Research Inc. (and CHUM executive) Duff Roman says with Toronto, Vancouver and Montreal on the air, DAB will cover 35% of the country's population. M Street footnote: Canada has adopted the Eureka-147 DAB technology, and it's not compatible with the U.S.A.'s proposed In-Band On-Channel approach.

And the popcorn should be Canadian, too: "The Movie Show On The Radio" gets Canadian distribution through CHUM Radio Network. That's according to ProStar Entertainment, which produces and syndicates the show in the U.S. NetStar Sales and Marketing reps the weekly two-hour Saturday afternoon show to advertisers.

ELSEWHERE

Cumulus proves it still has money in the vault -- It's paying \$6.3 million to enter the Northwest Alabama area around Muscle Shoals. The seller is U.S. South, and the stations are country WLAY-FM, Muscle Shoals (105.5 MHz); classic country WLAY, Muscle Shoals (1450 KHz); and oldies WGKL, Russellville, AL (97.7 MHz). Keep an eye on Muscle Shoals -- The Cumulus tendency is to enlarge its local clusters to the limit, and these three may be its beachhead there. M Street also wouldn't be surprised if Arbitron takes a hard look at the Muscle Shoals area as a possible new rated market. Broker: Sailors & Associates.

Everybody wants a piece of Dallas -- The next Dallas move-in just got sold to Sunburst. The station is KRJT-FM and it will have a signal equivalent to modern rock "Edge" KDGE, Gainesville, TX (94.5 MHz). (That's because its antenna will be on the same tower as KDGE.) KRJT-FM is changing city of license from Bowie to the Dallas suburb of Highland Village, and will upgrade from a C3 to a full Class C. M Street notes it won't throw a service grade contour over Ft. Worth, but should cover Dallas just fine. KRJT is currently doing country for Bowie-Nocona Broadcasting -- which is selling it to Sunburst for \$4.5 million. M Street notes the big price differential between KRJT-FM (\$4.5 million) and ABC's KNKI, Flower Mound, TX (\$23 million). Here's why: KNKI has significantly better full-market coverage over DFW.

While we're talking about John Borders' Sunburst group -- It's buying Tyler-Longview area country KPXI, Mount Pleasant, TX (100.7 MHz). Sunburst operates in markets like Bryan-College Station, McAllen-Brownsville, Springfield (MO), Abilene (with the pending purchase of three stations from Dynamic Broadcasting), and now Tyler. Seller: East Texas Broadcasting.

Chris Devine and Bruce Buzil hope there's money in Waukegan, IL, located between Chicago and Milwaukee. Their new "Belvidere Broadcasting is buying Broadcasting Partners' Waukegan combo for \$4.3 million. The combo is hot AC WXLC, Waukegan, IL (102.3 MHz) and news/talk WKRS, Waukegan (1220 KHz). Stations are actually licensed to Spring Broadcasting, whose corporate parent is Broadcasting Partners. Devine and Buzil have been involved in a number of groups (like Marathon) and the "Major" syndication firm.

No Amish jokes, please: In central Pennsylvania, Citadel is buying out mom-and-pop owner Zeve to add two more stations to its cluster. They're adult standards WHYL (960 KHz) and country WHYL-FM (102.3 MHz). Larry Wilson's paying Zeve Broadcasting \$4.3 million for the combo. Lincoln Zeve will stay on with Citadel. Here's what Citadel will own in central Pennsylvania, a sprawling area that touches the Arbitron markets of Harrisburg, York and Lancaster -- country "Z107" WRKZ, Hershey, PA (106.7 MHz); rock station and Howard Stern affiliate WQXA-FM, York, PA (105.7 MHz); oldies WQXA, York (1250 KHz); standards WHYL, Carlisle (960 KHz); and country WHYL-FM, Carlisle (102.3 MHz).

Instant cluster in Hoosier country: For \$5.5 million, Indiana Radio Partners assembles a five-station group in Anderson-Muncie, IN. From Clearwater, it's buying AC WAXT, Alexandria, IN (96.7 MHz) and talk/sports WHBU, Anderson (1240 KHz). From Dream Weaver, oldies WERK-FM, Muncie (104.9 MHz) and oldies WLHN, Elwood (101.7 MHz). WERK, Muncie at 990 KHz is not included in the deal. And from Viking, classic hits WWO, Hartford, City, IN (93.5 MHz). Mike Bergner was the broker on all three transactions. M Street notes that the principals of Indiana Radio Partners include a lot of familiar faces: former ABC Radio exec Aaron Daniels and former group exec Mike Schwartz.

Tracking Chancellor: Based on what Chancellor's Jeff Marcus told analysts, the company is transforming itself from an aggressive acquirer to an operator. Marcus predicted "no major acquisitions" during Tuesday morning's analysis of the third-quarter results. He says "1999 will be a year of integration, assimilation and getting these things to work." We will be seeing "fill-in, tuck-in" purchases. Other news from the Chancellor-Capstar worlds: Their \$4.1 billion merger should close in mid-April, though Chancellor could elect to do the closing as late as the end of the second quarter (June 1999). Don't be surprised if you see another Chancellor stock offering, as a way to deleverage the company. And based on what M Street heard in Tuesday's conference calls, there will be a relentless push on cash flow margins -- 50% and beyond. Chancellor's already there, somewhere around 52%. Capstar improved its cash-flow margins 6 points, from about 35% to about 41%.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

Did Mel Karmazin get Michael Jordan dumped in a boardroom battle? So maybe Jordan didn't just have a sudden urge to retire early and hone his Nintendo skills? Barron's is reporting this scenario: CBS Chairman Michael Jordan "had become increasingly piqued about Karmazin's power-grabbing, especially his cost-cutting in the news division." So Jordan "asked the board to restrain Karmazin." But it backfired. Mel "threatened to walk out unless the board dumped Jordan immediately. He told the directors to check with Wall Street analysts, who were sure to say that Karmazin's departures would cause CBS stock to tank." Did it happen that way? Everybody's been playing this with a smile for the cameras and the company line -- and Mel gets the whole company starting January 1.

Centralized programming is here to stay: Capstar's Star System is now operating from Austin (for GulfStar) and Ft. Lauderdale (for Southern Star). And once Capstar is in the Chancellor family, they may widen use of Star System to include Chancellor stations. They're still looking at the possibilities but it's clear Chancellor is intrigued with Capstar's early success. Capstar claims it's using Star System for 150 dayparts in about 80 markets -- and will expand that. Chancellor is also investigating the potential of Capstar's "Galaxy" inventory management.

CBS is creating a new talk station in Los Angeles, as it prepares to abandon the unique oldies format at KRLA, Pasadena, CA (1110 KHz). Anchors of the new talk station include Michael Jackson (who's leaving KABC after an astonishing 32-year run that saw his role diminished to weekends). Don Imus (presumably moving from Chancellor's adult standards KLAC). And even another name familiar to Los Angelenos: Dr. Toni Grant. Why the change? KRLA had a great little thing going, playing rhythmic oldies that appealed heavily to the adult Hispanic population. But then Chancellor came along and adapted the concept to create the new "Mega" that debuted last November. It's KCMG, Los Angeles (100.3 MHz), and it has eviscerated the core of KRLA's audience. There's also speculation about L.A. veteran Charlie Tuna replacing Imus at KLAC -- which would make a lot of sense.

And is CBS thinking about syndication for Michael Jackson? Mel Karmazin's usually willing to invest heavily in marquee talent, but he wants a return -- M Street knows he's always telling his managers to consider syndication possibilities when they evaluate on-air talent. Jackson was once nationally syndicated via the old ABC Talkradio network. And his national profile is growing courtesy of a syndicated TV show called "Investing In America" and a new public TV series he's hosting called "Hollywood, Inc", produced at KCET-TV.

Thinking outside the box: ABC Radio Networks just hired former Pizza Hut VP/Marketing and Coca-Cola Field Marketing exec Kevin Miller to fill a new high-level slot as Senior VP and Chief Marketing Officer. ABC Radio Networks President Lyn Andrews gives Miller the oversight of "all aspects of marketing the network and its products." What the hire tells M Street -- Radio's beginning to attract heavy-hitter execs from outside of broadcasting. We're just waiting to see the first radio group executive to be recruited from outside radio.

Elizabeth Dole will keynote RAB 99 in Atlanta. Is it a look at a future President or Vice President? She'll be ducking those questions, but the former cabinet secretary has been running the Red Cross and will likely be talking about service and leadership. The RAB (800-917-4269) is expecting more than 2,500 sales and marketing execs in Atlanta. Dates: February 4-7, 1999.

Former WBT, Charlotte personality Jerry Klein launches a new syndicated nighttime show. He picked up a lot of fans along the Eastern seaboard on WBT (1994-1997). His new show will air 11 pm to 4 am Eastern and goes live on November 30. Klein's own company, headed by Abernat Broadcast's Lowell Homburger, will handle affiliations and distribution (on satellite C-5, using SEDAT). They're positioning Klein as somebody in the Larry King mold. Abernat: (704) 544-7615 or "Jerryk.com"

67 years isn't a bad career -- and that's how long the Reverend Donald Baughey has been preaching the gospel on the radio. The Toledo Blade reports the reverend is finally retiring from his weekly "Pilgrim Hour" show to spend more time with his wife. (He's 92 and they've been married for 72 years.) The National Religious Broadcasters recognized Baughey's Ohio-based show as the third-longest-running gospel radio program in America, and the longest continuous show hosted by one person. (The Salt Lake City-based Spoken Word, featuring the Mormon Tabernacle Choir, began broadcasting in 1925, and Voice of Prophecy started in 1930.) The paper reports that Baughey's show once ran on as many as 35 stations in MI, OH, PA and other states. You've earned a little time off, Reverend Baughey!

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COOKIES FROM ARBITRON. . . Arbitron ain't just about radio, any more -- it's in the "audio measurement business", and that includes a future diary to capture "listening" on the Internet, and listening to a national satellite provider like CD Radio or XM Satellite. (Sounds like they'll use diaries, not cookies, but we'd love to see Arbitron-brand cookies.) Beyond that, Arbitron enters a new era by launching a consortium to measure "listening" to any audio source on the web. In other words, it will do "Arbitron" for the web, too. Initial partners for this new consortium are Magnitude Network, Engage Technologies, and RealNetworks. As radio figures out what to do with the Internet, Arbitron's going to cooperate with the inevitable (though consultant Paul Jacobs contends it's already behind the curve in testing the new diary). Plenty more from the day-long Consultants Fly-In inside this week's M Street Journal -- including hot zips from the workplace, the future of Maximiser, and something called "Exit Poll."

LYNDON JOHNSON WAS PRESIDENT. . . When Scott Muni first sat in front of a microphone at pioneering FM rock station WNEW, New York (102.7 MHz). That was in 1967. Six presidents later -- Muni's finally off the roster at WNEW. The changing of the guard happened Friday (11/13) for both Muni and another New York radio veteran, morning man Dave Herman. WNEW General Manager Scott Herman and programmer Garry Wall were already halfway there with last Spring's hiring of afternoon team Opie and Anthony. Here's the new WNEW lineup -- Matt DeVoty, 6 to 10. Lisa Garvey 10 am to 3 pm. Opie & Anthony 3 to 7 pm. Carol Miller 7 to midnight. Harris Allen, overnights. By the way: Scott Muni is an amazing 68 years old. And he's reported to already be entertaining possible job offers from other New York-area stations.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		formerly	becomes
AL Montgomery	WJCC-101.9	# country	WHHY-FM, CHR "Y-102"
(WJCC, WHHY, WAFX are in an LMA-to-buy with WLWI-FM, WMSP, WMXS & WNZZ)			
AZ Clifton	KWRQ-102.1	JRN - classic rock	JRN - hot AC "Sunny"
Glendale (Phoenix)	KWCY-103.5	# country	to be KZPZ, reg. Mexican
(KZPZ picks up JRN's La Zeta format and combos to KVVU-FM & KUET)			
AR Piggott	KBOA-FM-105.5	# WW1 - soft AC	WW1 - adult standards
FL Crystal River	WAQV-90.9*	# new	cont. Christian // WHIJ
Dunedin (Tampa)	WLVU-1470	# ethnic	SGN - black gospel
ID Chubbuck (Pocatello)	KLLP-98.5	# KRSS, religion	soft AC "K-Lite"
(KLLP is now a combo with country KID-FM, oldies KPKY, and sports KWIK)			
Gooding	KRXR-1480	country	JRN - regional Mexican
IL Arlington Heights (Chi)	WCBR-FM-92.7	# stunting	CHR "Kiss FM"
(WCBR-FM and WBRO are now a combo with rhythmic soft AC WYXX & WXXY-FM)			
Kankakee	WBRO-92.7	# stunting	CHR // WCBR-FM "Kiss"
Ottawa	WWGN-88.9*	# c. Christ./relig.	AFA - cont. Christian
(WWGN enters and LMA-to-buy with American Family Association)			
Shelbyville (Decatur)	WEJT-105.1	adult contemporary	adds Delilah
MI Baraga	WBUM-104.3	# new	religion
(WBUM is in an LMA-to-buy with VCY America, Inc.)			
MN Hutchinson	KKJR-107.1	country	Radio 1 - hot AC (Jan.)
(KKJR will move to Dassel, MN and increase to class C3 on 106.9 MHz)			

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FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES (cont'd)

MN Park Rapids	KDKK-97.5	standards	adds JRN - standards
	(KDKK adds Bruce Williams 6 - 9 pm)		
Roseau	KRWB-1410	# country	adds Branson - country
MO Kennett	KBOA-1540	# s. gospel & talk	WW1 - soft AC
MT Big Sky	KBFN-104.5	new	hot AC "Fun 104.5"
NY Mechanicville (Albany)	WXLE-104.5	# adult alternative	hot AC
	(WXLE is now a combo with WTRY	AM/FM, WGNA AM/FM,	and WPYX)
Saratoga Springs	WSSK-89.7*	new	c. Christian // WFGB
NC Greensboro	WTCK-1320	sports	talk // WMFR
Hickory	WIRC-630	country & talk	all country
OH Greenville (Dayton)	WLSN-106.5	# smooth jazz	country
	(new Jacor station WLSN is running all Garth as "Garth 106.5")		
OK Mangum	KHIM-97.7	new	Reach - southern gospel
Pawhuska	KBVL-103.9	KTGP, country	classic rock
	(KBVL is in an LMA with an option to buy with Borgen Broadcasting)		
OR Medford	KOPE-103.5	# talk	oldies "Kool 103.5"
	(KOPE is now a combo with country KRWQ, rock KZZE, AC KKJJ & standards KMED)		
Medford	KMED-1440	# WW1 - standards	adds Imus
PA Laporte	WRPA-103.9	new	ABC - classic rock
SC Moncks Corner (Charl.)	WNST-105.3	hot AC	rhythmic oldies "Kool"
TX Beaumont	KTCX-102.5	# urban AC	urban "Magic 102.5"
	(Joyner stays for AMD, now a combo with KAYD AM/FM, KOHN & KOXY-FM)		
Franklin (Bryan/C. St)	KZTR-101.9	# classic hits	hot AC
	(KZTR is in an LMA-to-buy with rock KHLR, standards KTAM & country KORA-FM)		
VA Marion	WMEV-1010	# country // FM	ABC - standards // WKPT
	(WMEV joins WKPT, WKTP, WOPI, WKPP's NE Tennessee/SW Virginia simul.)		
VI Cruz Bay	WWKS-101.3	ABC - urban AC	adds ABC's Tom Joyner
WA Shelton (Olympia)	KRXY-94.5	new	adult contemporary
WI Amery	WXCE-1260	# country & talk	oldies
Milwaukee	WLUM-FM-102.1	alternative	adds Mancow mornings

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)
(+ competes with existing application)

AR 91.9*	Arkadelphia	250 w, 203 ft	Bright Light Broadcasting
MI 89.7*	Brooklyn	100 w (v), 33 ft	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg., Inc.
89.7*	Chelsea	100 w (v), 33 ft	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg., Inc.
89.7*	Grand Blanc	100 w (v), 33 ft	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg., Inc.
89.7*	Marlette	100 w (v), 33 ft	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg., Inc.
88.1*	Pentwater	no facils given	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg., Inc.
MB 96.9	Cranberry Portage	18 w	Native Communication, Inc.
	(This station would rebroadcast CINC-FM)		
NW 101.9*	Cambridge Bay	110 w	Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
	(This station would rebroadcast CFFB)		
101.9*	Kugluktuk	110 w	Canadian Broadcasting Corp.
	(This station would rebroadcast CFFB)		

Returned/Dismissed Applications

CA 94.1+	Merced (D)	Clock Broadcasting Co., Inc.
94.1+	Merced (D)	John Neuhoff
94.1+	Merced (D)	KM Communications, Inc.
94.1+	Merced (D)	Valley Broadcasting, Inc.
IL 104.1	Colchester (D)	Bryan Broadcasting, Inc.
OH 92.1	Pleasant City (D)	In Phase Broadcasting, Inc.
TX 102.7+	Winona (D)	B. K. Radio
102.7+	Winona (D)	Huggins & Gransee Bcstg.
102.7+	Winona (D)	Metrosound of East Texas
102.7+	Winona (D)	Michael Harris
102.7+	Winona (D)	Radiosungroup of Texas, Inc.
102.7+	Winona (D)	Winona Airwave Co.

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

CA 94.1	Merced	6000 w, 328 ft (as amended)	KZMS/KM Joint Venture
IL 104.1	Colchester	6000 w, 328 ft (as amended)	Colchester Radio, Inc.
OH 92.1	Pleasant City	6000 w, 282 ft (as amended)	W. Grant Hafley
TX 102.7	Winona	6000 w, 328 ft, DA (as amended)	S.O. 2000, LLC
UT 99.1	Levan	6000 w, 328 ft	Micro Communications, Inc.

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

AZ new-91.7*	Rio Verde	KJZZ	Maricopa Cty. College
CA new-88.7*	Lakewood	KLRO	Lifetalk Bcstg. Assn.
new-90.7*	Tracy	KLOV-FM	Educ. Media Foundation
MN new-88.3*	Brainerd	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
NM new-95.1	Eagle Nest	KRTN-FM	Eagle Nest TV Assn.
TX new-89.1*	Austin	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
VA new-91.5*	Charlottesville	WCVE-FM	Central VA Educational
WA new-89.9*	Bellingham	KEFX	Calv. Chapel/Costa Mesa
new-88.1*	Bellingham	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-91.5*	Yakima	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

AL WULA-FM-92.7	Eufaula	canceled CP to change xmtr loc. to 31-54-30 85-09-51
AK KAMT(CP)-100.7	Juneau	granted 4th extension of time
KAKZ(CP)-102.7	Juneau	granted 4th extension of time
AR KSBC-90.1*	Hot Springs	decreases to 7800 w, 443 ft, class C3, changes xmtr loc. to 34-37-31 93-00-37
CO KKYD-1340	Denver	corrects coordinates to 39-41-00 105-00-24
FL WJCM-960	Sebring	moves to 1050 KHz, decreases to 1000 w days, 11 w nights, changes to ND
IL WAWF(CP)-88.3*	Kankakee	granted replacement of expired CP
WNIW(CP)-91.3*	La Salle	granted 2nd extension of time
IN WKLO(CP)-92.9	Veedersburg	requests 4th extension of time
IA KYSY-106.3	Ankeny	increases to 18000 w, class C3
KRNQ(CP)-96.3	Keokuk	granted 5th extension of time
KOKX-FM-95.3	Keokuk	granted 3rd replacement of expired CP to increase to 100000 w, 794 ft, class C1, change xmtr loc. to 40-24-01 91-35-09
KOTM-FM-97.7	Ottumwa	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 18500 w, 380 ft, class C3, change xmtr loc. to 41-01-28 92-28-56
ME WYAR(CP)-88.3*	Yarmouth	requests extension of time
MA WFCR-88.5*	Amherst	built new auxiliary facility
MI WCHB-1200	Taylor	granted 2nd ext. of time to incr. to 50000 w days, 15000 w nights, DA-2, decr. to 4 towers days, incr. to 10 towers nights
MN WVAL(CP)-800	Sauk Rapids	granted extension of time
MO KCVQ-89.7*	Knob Noster	dismissed extension of time as unnecessary
MT (CP)-102.7	Cut Bank	granted replacement of expired CP
ND KAVG(CP)-97.9	Beulah	granted extension of time
KRRB-92.1	Dickinson	granted replacement of expired CP to increase to 10500 w, 492 ft, class C3
(CP)-93.5	Hettinger	granted extension of time
OH WHBC-1480	Canton	requests extension of time to increase to 15000 w days, DA-2, change xmtr location to 40-53-51 81-19-10, increase to 4 towers days
PA WXXM-95.7	Philadelphia	built new auxiliary facility
PR WJIT(CP)-1250	Sabana	requests 6th extension of time
SC WSPX-94.5	Bowman	increases to 6000 w
WKDK-1240	Newberry	changes xmtr loc. to 34-17-30 81-37-15
TX KLTR(CP)-95.1	Caldwell	granted extension of time
KTSR-92.1	College Station	granted extension of time to move to 95.1 C2, increase to 50000 w, 492 ft, change xmtr loc. to 30-45-35 96-28-00
KOXZ(CP)-94.3	Comanche	granted replacement of expired CP
KZMP-1540	Fort Worth	granted 2nd extension of time to decrease to 35000 w days, 890 w nights, DA-2, change xmtr location to 32-48-45 97-00-30, change city of lic. to University Park, TX
KUHF-88.7*	Houston	built new auxiliary facility
KLIS-96.7	Palestine	requests extension of time to increase to 50000 w, 384 ft, class C2
VA WREL-FM-96.7	Buena Vista	granted 10th extension of time to increase to 10000 w, 492 ft, class B1, change xmtr loc. to 37-46-37 79-12-18
WOKD(CP)FM-91.1*	Danville	requests extension of time
WA KMNT-102.9	Centralia	built new auxiliary facility
WI WEZR-107.5	Brillion	granted replacement of expired CP to change to 5000 w, 751 ft, drop DA, class C3,

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS

CA KVCA-670 Simi Valley
 CO KRKS-990 Denver
 KBJD(CP)-1650 Denver
 KRYD-104.9 Telluride
 FL WPSO-1500 New Port Richey
 WJCM-960 Sebring
 MN KKZY(CP)-95.5 Bemidji
 MS WXRZ-94.3 Corinth
 NY WOLF-1490 Syracuse
 NC WJRI-1340 Lenoir
 PA WZZD-990 Philadelphia
 SC WKDK-1240 Newberry

change xmtr loc. to 41-21-30 87-58-48
 (& reapplication) [docket number]
 modify DA
 decrease to 4200 w days, DA-N, change
 xmtr location to 39-47-57 104-58-12
 change xmtr location to 39-47-57 104-58-12
 one step application to increase to
 class C1, 25500 w, 1643 ft, change
 xmtr loc. to 37-59-57 107-57-42 [73-215]
 direct measurement of antenna power
 modify CP to change xmtr location to
 27-30-30 81-25-20
 change xmtr location to 37-22-12 94-52-54
 one step application to increase to
 class C3, 25000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr
 location to 34-48-36 88-34-45
 modify CP to change to ND days
 (currently DA-D, ND-N)
 change xmtr loc. to 35-53-39 81-33-30
 correct coordinates to 40-05-43 75-16-37
 correct coordinates to 34-17-30 81-37-15

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

CO KSTY-103.9 Canon City
 FL WHQT-105.1 Coral Gables
 IL WYPA-820 Chicago
 KS WREN-1250 Kansas City
 MI WRIF-101.1 Detroit
 MN KBHP-101.1 Bemidji
 NY WCKL-560 Catskill
 OR KMHS-1420 Coos Bay
 PR WIOA-99.9 San Juan
 SC WKXC-FM-99.5 Aiken
 TX KHDY(CP)-106.9 Plainview
 WI WGLX-FM-103.3 Wisconsin Rapids

move to 104.5 MHz, increase to 6000 w,
 46 ft, change xmtr location to
 38-18-54 105-12-40 [96-232]
 change xmtr location to 25-58-03 80-12-34
 direct measurement of antenna power
 modify CP to change xmtr location to
 39-11-06 94-27-28
 change auxiliary facility
 modify CP to change xmtr location to
 47-22-12 94-52-54
 correct coordinates to 42-12-03 73-50-09
 direct measurement of antenna power
 change to 31000 w, 1837 ft, change xmtr
 location to 18-16-44 65-51-12
 change to 24000 w, 712 ft, change xmtr
 location to 33-38-44 81-55-45
 increase to 50000 w, 469 ft, DA [73-215]
 decrease to 325 ft, correct coordinates
 to 44-24-57 89-50-04

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

AL WBTS-1480	Bridgeport	becomes	# WKEA	11-9-98	
WJCC-101.9	Montgomery		WHHY-FM	(requested)	"Y-102"
AZ KWCY-103.5	Glendale		# KZPZ	(requested)	"La Zeta"
AR KBHY(CP)-99.3	Atkins		KRRD	11-13-98	
CA KTAA-94.3	Kerman		# KKPW	11-16-98	"Power 94 The Party"
FL WDFL-FM-106.9	Cross City		WKZY	11-16-98	
WLVU-FM-97.1	Holiday		# WSUN-FM	11-13-98	
WLQY-1320	Hollywood		# WZMZ	(requested)	"Z Spanish"
WSUN-620	Saint Petersburg		# WSAA	(requested)	
ID KRSS-98.5	Chubbuck		# KLLP	11-9-98	"K-Lite"
new-107.9	Shelley		KBJX	11-13-98	
IL new-88.5*	Cairo		WBEL	11-13-98	
MS WBKJ-105.1	Kosciusko		# WQJQ	11-6-98	"Q-105"
MT new-98.7	Ennis		KBJY	11-13-98	
OK KTGP-103.9	Pawhuska		KBVL	11-9-98	"Bartlesville"
PA WILP-FM-103.1	Freeland		WWFH	11-9-98	
SC WBAW-740	Barnwell		# WMXG	(requested)	"Mix"
TN new-100.7	Middleton		WBDJ	11-13-98	
TX new-89.7*	Sanger		KBJV	11-13-98	

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)
 AZ KIDR-740 Phoenix 314 from CRN Licenses, LLC (KIDR-AM, Inc.)
 to CRN Licenses (Radio Unica of Phoenix)
 ID KECN-690/ Blackfoot/ 315 from Western Comm. (American Cities)
 KICN-1260 Idaho Falls to Western Comm. (Marathon Media, LLC)
 IL WWGN-88.9* Ottawa 314 from Cornerstone Community Radio, Inc.
 to American Family Association, Inc.
 (\$250,000; includes LMA)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

LA KHFX-105.5	Ball	314 from Shelley R. Cavaness to Cajun Communications of Texas, Inc. (entering LMA for \$5,500 per month; assumption of liabilities)
MS WSMS-99.9	Artesia	314 from Bravo Communications, Inc. to Cumulus Licensing Corporation
WKOR-FM-94.9/	Columbus/	314 from Golden Triangle Radio, Inc.
WMXU-106.1	Starkville	to Cumulus Licensing Corporation
MO KCOU-88.1*	Columbia	314 from Ind. Residence Halls Association to Curators of University of Missouri (\$80,000; assumption of liabilities)
MT KSCY-96.7/	Belgrade/	315 from American Cities Bcstg., LLC
KMMS-FM-95.1	Bozeman	to Marathon Media, LLC
NJ WKMB-1070	Stirling	316 invol from K&M Bcstrs. (A. Michels, Dec.) to K & M Bcstrs. (Herbert Michels, Exec.)
PA WBUX-1570	Doylestown	314 from Network Broadcasting Corporation to Holy Spirit Radio Foundation, Inc.
PR WFAB-890	Ceiba	(\$1,023,750; includes \$243,750 in a promissory note) 314 from Southwestern Bcstg. Corporation to Daniel Rasario Diaz (\$315,000)
SC WMAP-FM-102.3	Pageland	314 from Roldan Broadcasting Corporation to Robert Broadcasting Corporation
SD KSQB(CP)-107.9	Flandreau	316 from Lee O. Axdahl to La Communique, Inc.
VA WKDV-1460	Manassas	316 from Mega Communications/Silver Springs to Mega Comm. of Manassas Licensee, LLC

Form 315 Transfer Applications were filed by American Cities Broadcasting, LLC to Marathon Media, LLC for Idaho stations KLCE and KCVI, Blackfoot and KOSZ-FM and KFTZ, Idaho Falls. KMMS in Bozeman, Montana was also included in the Transfer.

Marathon Media II, LLC also filed Form 315 Transfer Applications to Marathon Media, LLC for WI stations WOBT and WRHN, Rhinelander and WHTD, Three Lakes.

Gleiser Communications, LP filed Form 316 Transfer Applications from Paul Gleiser to Bcstg. Partners for TX stations KEES, Gladewater and KTTB, KYZS, KGLD and KDOK, Tyler.

122 Form 316 Transfer Applications were submitted from Clear Channel Metroplex Licenses, Inc. to Clear Channel Radio Licenses, Inc. this week in preparation for the Jacor merger. At the same time, 243 Form 315 Transfer Applications were filed from the Shareholders of Jacor Comms., Inc. to Clear Channel Comms., Inc.

DISMISSED STATION TRANSFERS

WI WKLJ-1290/	Sparta (D)	314 from Sparta-Tomah Bcstg. Co., Inc.
WCOW-FM-97.1		to Family Radio, Inc.
		(sale will not be consummated)

FM ALLOCATIONS: PROPOSED AMENDMENTS

NY WAXK(CP) Jewett	to 97.9 A Windham, NY from 97.9 A Jewett, NY,
	comments due Jan 4, replies Jan. 19

FM ALLOCATIONS: GRANTED AMENDMENTS

MI new Bunker	add 106.3 A, window will be addressed by the Commission in a subsequent order
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FM ALLOCATIONS: DISMISSED AMENDMENTS

MI new Powers (D)	add 100.3 A
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WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

The \$4.4 billion Clear Channel-Jacor merger is getting a good work-out at both relevant federal agencies (the FCC and the Department of Justice). In Wednesday's FCC apps (11/18/98), the Commission slaps a bunch of transfers with its new "red flag" scrutiny for local concentration. The idea's to solicit comments on the transfer's "effect on competition and diversity." Markets getting the red flag include Tampa, Jacksonville, Louisville, Dayton, and Cleveland.

On the controversial "streamlining" of FM rules, the FCC extends the date for Reply Comments. Proposal covers negotiated interference, the proposed new point-to-point prediction model and lots of other heavy-duty changes. Reply Commenters get another 14 days, until December 4. (DA No 98-2302)

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK (cont'd)

Chancellor Media faced the Department of Justice over a non-radio issue, and now agrees to divest \$5 million worth of billboards in California and Arizona. That concession won DOJ approval of Chancellor's \$39.5 million purchase of the Kunz & Co. outdoor firm. M Street notes the DOJ displays the same sensitivity to advertiser complaints it's shown in its radio judgments. Chancellor will sell outdoor assets in the California counties of Kern, Kings and Inyo, and Mojave county in Arizona.

Now some items from the most recent batch of FCC apps. Re: WKYD, Andalusia, AL (920 KHz) -- the Commission canceled Companion Broadcasting Service's application for license renewal. M Street has reported WKYD as silent. On the other side, WJTA (91.7 MHz) in Kosciusko, Mississippi, was granted their petition for reconsideration and had its license reinstated by the Commission this week. The station is currently silent. And three non-commercial stations in Georgia have applied for waiver of Section 7.1125, the Main Studio Rule -- WPWB, Byron (90.5 MHz), WLPT, Jesup (88.3 MHz) and WGPH, Vidalia (91.5 MHz). A fourth related station -- WLPG, Florence, SC (91.7 MHz) -- makes the same request.

All Aboooooard! Frankly, this FCC application fascinates us: Somebody in Minnesota wants to test an "electronic safety system" that would "override active radios in all passenger cars in the immediate area", to warn drivers of an oncoming emergency vehicle (or train). Midland Associates' Experimental Broadcast Station app would let it try the idea on both AM (920 KHz) and FM (95.9 MHz). Midland is filing for approval to operate from Lakeville, MN. Big cities aren't the only place where public safety officials are worried that the public has gotten careless about clearing the way for emergency vehicles. (981030MD)

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Hello, Commonwealth II: Veteran west coast owner Dex Allen returns to ownership two years after selling his stations to American Radio Systems, and he's recycling the "Commonwealth" name to do it. Dex is in business again (as "Commonwealth II") via the \$2 million purchase of two stations near the California-Arizona border with Mexico, east of San Diego. They're both licensed to Brawley, CA: dance KSIQ (96.1 MHz) and sports KKSC (1300 KHz). M Street ranks the "El Centro/Mexicali" market as #273. It's not rated by Arbitron. Seller is local owner (and GM) Steve Stodelle. Broker: Tom McKinley, Media Services Group.

All-news to "Good News"? WBUX, Doylestown, PA (1570 KHz) sells at public auction -- to "Holy Spirit Radio Foundation." We knew the price was \$1 million, but we didn't know the buyer. WBUX had been doing an all-news format for the suburbs north of Philadelphia. The facility is 5,000 watts day/950 watts night, with different directional patterns for both. From the "Holy Spirit" name, we judge the news is about to become...the Good News.

The smart money is on the bird. . .And we don't mean the Thanksgiving turkey-bird. Suddenly all kinds of money is flowing to satellite radio. But is it really smart money? Too early to tell. But some very savvy investors like Sid Bass and Leon Black are ponying up tens of millions to get in on the ground floor (so to speak) of national satellite radio. Texas-based Sid Bass now owns 23% of CD Radio. And well-known investor Leon Black is putting up to \$200 million on the table through his Apollo investment group (via a purchase of preferred stock). The other licensed national satellite service is XM Satellite Radio -- and it also made news this week. XM has just signed deals with Alpine, Pioneer and Sharp to manufacture "XM-capable radios and audio systems." M Street notes the language -- "audio systems" explicitly now includes satellite-direct transmission to home. Both XM and CD Radio will offer subscribers 100 channels of digital audio.

"Consolidation" is not just a radio industry term -- As of this week it's also the buzzword in the tower business, too. In two separate deals this week, former American Radio Systems head Steve Dodge is involved in \$521 million worth of tower-business "consolidation." The first deal has the Dodge-run American Tower Systems buying the OmniAmerica from interests related to (who else?) Hicks Muse Tate & Furst. That stock transaction is valued at \$336 million. And in a second deal, American Tower is acquiring TeleCom Towers for \$185 million. Even that's not all: Just last month Dodge struck various deals to buy 322 towers worth \$100 million. When everything's closed, American Tower will own and/or manage an amazing 3,044 towers -- with another 840 under construction or being built out. M Street notes that HDTV is creating scarcity in the tower space market around the U. S. Dodge made millions in cable (then sold). Made more millions in radio (then sold). Now he's moved on to towers.

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How many stations can Clear Channel keep out of its Jacor merger? Some spinoffs are inevitable, and we're about to find out which stations will likely leave the family. M Street expects divestitures in five markets: Tampa, Cleveland, Dayton, Louisville and Jacksonville. Staffers at many of the affected stations have already gotten the scoop from management ahead of an expected public announcement. It's a small number of markets, given that Clear Channel and Jacor together operate in over 100 U.S. markets. One further note: There's no guarantee stations will remain on their present frequencies when all is said and done.

These are painful decisions for Clear Channel-Jacor -- but CBS and Cox are the likely beneficiaries. In Jacor's case, it's especially painful when you've involved those stations in your new hub-and-spoke strategy (some Louisville programming originates at Jacor in Cincinnati). M Street continues to hear the spinoff conversations revolve mostly around Cox and/or CBS, depending on the market.

Here are the Clear Channel-Jacor spins, market by market, with the cautionary note that these dispositions will require final regulatory approval from the Department of Justice and the FCC (which is increasingly active in local concentration). So things could change. But at the moment, here's the picture: In Cleveland, they keep the current Jacor cluster and deal away all three Clear Channel stations. That's rock WNCX, modern rock WENZ and news/talk WERE. The Jacor complement there is country WGAR-FM, rock WMMS, oldies WMJI, AC WMVX and news/talk WTAM. The Tampa market is a big magilla of overlaps, the most complicated of the overlap markets. Final verdict: MOST of the current Jacor cluster stays. That's CHR WFLZ, hot AC WAKS, talk WFLA, rock WXTB, classic rock WTBT and sports WDAE. Easy listening "Dove" WDUV will get spun. Clear Channel's modern AC WSSR and news/talk WHNZ join the future cluster. But these Clear Channel properties are going: country WRBQ-FM, smooth jazz WSJT, adult alternative WHPT, rhythmic oldies WFJO, sports WZTM and urban AC WRBQ. That's the story from the top-25 markets (Cleveland and Tampa).

Moving to the Clear Channel-Jacor picture in the medium markets, Louisville is a no-brainer: They keep Clear Channel's monster duo of talk WHAS and country WAMZ, plus their six sister stations. And they spin the Jacor properties: soft AC WVEZ-FM, dance WDJX, modern rock WLRS, classic hits WSFR, and religion WFIA. (Jacor has an LMA with hot AC WMHX, by the way.) In Dayton, Clear Channel keeps the strong Jacor cluster and deals away its own recently-acquired cluster -- CHR WGTZ, news/talk WING and classic hits WING-FM. In Jacksonville -- The DOJ won't get terribly excited here because the two clusters combined barely broke the unspoken 40% revenue share threshold last year, based on Jim Duncan (24.9% for Jacor, 15.7% for Clear Channel). The only dispositions are classic rock WBGB and news WZNZ.

An "Infinity" of opportunity? As you read this, CBS executive Mel Karmazin is in the midst of a traveling IPO road show that should culminate in the third-largest Initial Public Offering EVER. M Street expects the total take for "Infinity Broadcasting" to be just shy of \$3 billion. And because he's trying to interest investors in the spinout of a minority stake in the CBS radio and outdoor assets, Karmazin's making himself far more available to the press than usual. Some highlights: There could be some "sharing" of the CBS News product outside the Big Eye family. He tells Daily Variety "We are having discussions about how CBS News could be used by other people." Karmazin doesn't deny talking with Sony and Barry Diller's USA Entertainment about other TV (non-news) collaborations, but things may have stalled. Karmazin finds TV frustrating: "If I want to change the format on the radio station, I can probably get it done in an hour." Karmazin merged his previous Infinity Broadcasting company into CBS back in 1995, and the new "Infinity" will carry the same stock symbol: "INF." M Street expects the IPO to get priced and sold in early December -- or "come public", as they say on Wall Street.

What's Arbitron thinking about for the future? Well, workplace zips, the Internet diary, and easier-to-use software for both sales and programming applications. Starting with the Arbitron diary, "Workplace zips" just got added effective with the current Fall 1998 survey. Stations can use the results to target their mailings to "hot zips" for both at-home listening and listening at work -- and also get insights into commuting patterns. Arbitron's Bill Rose says that would be enormously useful for planning billboard buys and retail promotions. Also new to the diary: "Socio-economic demographics" -- questions about income, education, presence of children and household size.

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But look what's coming -- an Arbitron diary to measure satellite and Internet listening. Is Arbitron already behind? Arbitron tells the November 13 Consultants Fly-In that in the Winter 2000 survey period it will field-test a new diary that lets diarykeepers note listening to satellite services (CD Radio and XM Satellite) and Internet "radio." One of Arbitron's considerations about not testing that one sooner: Making sure everything in the building is Y2K compliant. That's a critical mission for a company that still uses magnetic reel-to-reel tapes for some storage. Arbitron's already in the middle of a basic system "plumbing change" driven by the Y2K issue.

Arbitron's "plumbing change" -- a total re-engineering of its computer systems -- should open up whole new possibilities for it, like being able to tell Chancellor just what its urban-formatted stations do, totaled up across the country. Or how Casey Kasem's really faring in Arbitron-rated markets. This won't happen overnight, but the eventual new products may finally give radio some important new selling tools.

Here are some ideas Arbitron is studying -- plus one that didn't fly. There's the "Prior Pl Question" -- This concept will be tested next Winter in seven metros: "Thinking back 6 months ago, what station did you listen to most?" The answer might help programmers find out where they're getting audience from and who they're losing it to. Asian sampling -- 18% of San Francisco is now Asian, and 13% of L.A. But the Asian population presents a far different problem from Hispanics because of the enormous diversity in nationalities and languages. Arbitron's David Lapovsky reports Asian folks tend to be good diary returners, but less apt to use the radio (they come at 5% below norm and AQH is 29% lower). "Exit Poll" -- a new product (for around \$14,000-\$15,000 a year) that reinterviews diarykeepers who've reported significant listening. Arbitron calls it a "regular health check to catch problems early." About 30 total subscribers in New York, L.A., San Francisco, Philadelphia, Dallas and St. Louis have signed up for this new twice-yearly research report. Sample size is 300, and so far it's geared to music stations. The flunk-out -- five-year age breaks in demos, instead of the current irregular groupings like 18-24 (6-year span), 25-34 (9 years), etc. Arbitron says the current sample size just won't support slicing up the age cells that thin.

And now for the news on the old workhorse, the Arbitron software dubbed "Maximiser." Arbitron says it's committed to the newer "Maximiser 98." But good old "Classic Max" will die next year (partly because it's not Y2K-compatible). Beyond Maximiser 98: Arbitron tells the Consultants Fly-In that its Tapscan programmers in Birmingham will concentrate on sales uses of Arbitron data -- including getting the more detailed respondent-level data into Tapscan. While programmers in Maryland will crank out products for "PD Advantage." Speaking of Arbitron software, Windows 95-compatible Arbitrends are coming, to be phased in, starting in early '99. They'll make it easier to see multiple markets and export to Excel and even HTML web languages. The bad news: New Arbitrends software is not backward-compatible. Very bad news for those who love to go back and do historical trending. Arbitron's Bob Michaels says they'll be shipping back-data for the previous year to provide some "history."

UK giant Capital Radio may be a takeover target worth \$825 million. The Times of London reports that Scottish Media Group wants to expand outside Scotland and is thinking hard about making a play for England's most visible commercial radio operator, Capital Radio. It owns CHR-oldies Capital FM and "Capital Gold" radio.

The AP is doing something that would have been unthinkable five years ago: re-opening its bureau in Havana, Cuba. The Associated Press hasn't had a regular presence there since it was expelled in 1969. Senior AP officials clinched the deal in Cuba last week.

Now THIS is "community involvement" -- Emmis donates some downtown Indianapolis real estate to a minority development group. The buildings are the North Meridian Street properties now home to R&B oldies WTLC (1310 KHz) and urban WTLC-FM (105.5 MHz). The complex will be known as the "WTLC Minority Enterprise Center." Kudos to Emmis -- which is building a massive new corporate building elsewhere in its home town -- for the philanthropy.

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Se habla Espanol? New M Street research shows that Spanish-language radio is both growing in number (from 474 last year to 493 right now) and diversifying in formats. From the M Street Database, here are the top seven Spanish formats on U.S. commercial stations: Regional Mexican is a primary format on 160 stations. Then Spanish contemporary (57). Tropical (45). Religion (40). Tejano music (38). "Romantica" soft AC and Spanish top 40 (26 apiece).

M STREET BAZAAR. . . PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

What's next for Dr. Laura -- her dental records for sale? The latest legal battle over Dr. Laura material concerns 520 short-form "vignettes" that American View Radio Network claims it has the syndication rights to. Schlessinger wrote and voiced these for ABC Radio back in the 1980s, before she became a household name. But who's got the right to offer them now as "Dr. Laura" material? American View says it has the rights from Norman Baer. Dr. Laura herself, and current syndicator Premiere Radio Networks challenges that claim. Attorney Scott Zolke tells M Street "Baer may own the tapes. . .but does he have enough rights to commercially exploit" them? American View is offering the Dr. Laura "vignettes" on a market-exclusive basis. Mostly by barter, but maybe cash "in some larger markets." American View (540-371-0100) says they'll be delivered by satellite or tape.

Syndicated morning personality Mancow Muller picks up a major market syndication affiliate -- WLUM-FM, Milwaukee (102.1 MHz). Increasing his syndication range was a major goal in leaving Chancellor for Emmis. (The buckets of extra money didn't hurt.) Milwaukee makes sense because listeners should be aware of "Mancow's Morning Madhouse" from Chicago, a couple hours' drive away.

Westwood One is offering a real "Christmas Present" -- a night of uninterrupted Christmas music for play on Thursday, December 24. The playlist is a real pastiche, from pop, country and rock to jazz and adult standards. "Westwood One Christmas Present" begins at 5 pm Christmas Eve and run through 9 am Christmas morning.

Here's a radio WE want from Santa Claus: A new Sony midget radio that's literally the length and height of a business card. The thickness (14.5 millimeters) is 5mm thinner than Sony's previous tiny radio. Model number is ICF-R700V. The bad news -- looks like Japan's getting it first.

She was Klose to the job (pun intended). Last week Kevin Klose resigned as head of Director of the International Broadcasting Bureau (that's VOA and liaison with Radio Free Europe/Radio Liberty and the Cuban Broadcasting Office, among other things). This week, Voice of America head Evelyn Lieberman gets tapped to succeed Klose. Klose, you'll remember, decided to accept the presidency of National Public Radio. Lieberman comes in as the IBB is getting its status changed, and the Director's post now requires Senate confirmation.

The just-elected Chairman of the Radio Advertising Bureau is Emmis honcho Jeff Smulyan. He succeeds American Urban Radio Network's Skip Finley. New Vice-Chair is Jacor's Dave Crowl.

M STREET FORMATS

Ten years later -- country's still king, but AC has shrunk by 25%, news/talk has quadrupled and over at the ethnic stations they're speaking Spanish and everything else under the sun. In this of the M Street Journal, we present the first of several important charts that show just where radio is -- and where it's going. What we're talking about this week is the NUMBER of stations in a given format (not SHARES of the stations or formats). But M Street's been monitoring formats since 1984, and we do think that the NUMBER of stations using a format is a crucial indicator. (We'll get around to shares in a future edition of the Journal.) As you'll see, country's on the downside of four-year dip, but it's still far away the king (one out of every four U.S. stations plays country.) Adult Contemporary has witnessed an inexorable slide since 1990. While News/Talk/Business/Sports has grown four-fold. But we'll let YOU play detective and spot the trends, okay? All the info's on the next page.

And more format news coming from M Street. We've been tracking radio since 1984, so over the next few weeks, you'll see more news from our annual year-end National Format Trend Study--lots of format stats for the year and audience figures ranked nationally by format.

M Street Format Trends from 1989 to 1998

Counts as of November 1998

Commercial											89/98
Stations by primary format	1989	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	+/-
Country	2448	2452	2457	2552	2612	2642	2613	2525	2491	2368	-80
Adult Contemporary	2058	2135	2088	1963	1895	1784	1655	1572	1508	1493	-565
News, Talk, Business, Sports	308	405	527	648	841	1028	1184	1272	1331	1382	1074
Religion (Teaching & Music)	696	745	799	837	915	926	981	1020	1063	1076	380
Oldies & Classic Hits	545	659	704	731	734	714	710	738	927	991	446
Rock (Album, Modern, Classic)	365	419	529	592	643	721	828	879	803	868	503
Spanish & Ethnic	313	342	370	385	421	470	494	527	549	570	257
Adult Standards	332	383	408	412	421	435	470	499	551	561	229
Top-40 (CHR)	951	824	675	578	441	358	318	333	358	379	-572
Urban, Black, Urban AC	284	294	311	313	321	328	347	348	349	354	70
Jazz	64	68	53	52	45	43	80	89	92	88	24
Variety	134	97	81	72	68	63	62	54	50	43	-91
Classical, Fine Arts	49	52	51	48	45	44	39	41	44	40	-9
Easy Listening	328	240	210	171	116	106	61	57	49	39	-289
Pre-Teen	0	3	4	3	13	19	28	33	40	37	37
Comedy	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	-1
Off Air	112	210	308	352	345	369	308	270	143	102	-10
Changing formats / not available	266	115	19	15	14	6	10	4	2	3	-263
Total stations	9254	9444	9594	9724	9890	10057	10188	10261	10350	10394	1140
Non-Commercial											89/98
FORMAT	1989	90	91	92	93	94	95	96	97	98	+/-
Religion (Teaching & Music)	302	332	352	391	431	473	514	556	628	709	407
News, Talk, Business, Sports	11	31	104	151	190	245	272	410	456	490	479
Variety	387	379	391	386	384	381	380	377	376	393	6
Rock (Album, Modern, Classic)	226	242	291	278	285	289	294	287	284	281	55
Classical, Fine Arts	306	320	297	275	267	239	230	130	117	112	-194
Jazz	37	75	72	72	75	76	79	78	69	67	30
Spanish & Ethnic	34	34	37	38	39	42	45	47	49	66	32
Top-40 (CHR)	71	71	73	67	65	57	53	41	43	39	-32
Urban, Black, Urban AC	32	37	34	35	36	32	34	30	27	22	-10
Adult Contemporary	16	17	21	21	21	20	24	20	20	16	0
Country	8	7	7	8	6	6	9	12	14	14	6
Easy Listening	7	8	11	11	10	9	9	8	8	8	1
Adult Standards	0	1	0	0	1	2	3	4	7	8	8
Oldies & Classic Hits	0	0	0	1	1	2	1	4	6	5	5
Pre-Teen	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Comedy	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Off Air	4	2	23	23	23	40	34	29	26	11	7
Changing formats / not available	125	80	13	12	15	4	7	1	2	6	-119
Total stations	1566	1636	1726	1769	1849	1917	1988	2034	2132	2247	681

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THE 10% SOLUTION. . . . 10% of all U.S. stations are either rebroadcasting or simulcasting other stations, according to M Street's brand-new National Format Trends study. That's up from last year's 9% figure, and we believe it's the highest ever. Another sign that stations are looking beyond their own control rooms: 24% of all stations (2,989 of 12,528) now rely on network programming for at least 80% of their programming. That's up from last year's 23% figure. And just who's ON the air? Well, 62% of U.S. stations are FMs, up from last year's 61%. And there are more stations waiting to be born: M Street calculates the number of CPs has grown from 483 last year to 604. That's due to the continuing interest in building new FMs, and the new AM expanded band. There's plenty more to be gleaned from this week's chart. Check the back page of this week's M Street Journal for more.

TRY, TRY AGAIN. . . . The FCC -- certainly Chairman Bill Kennard -- believes strongly in EEO, and it's trying again to resurrect EEO regulations it claims will help prevent discrimination, further the goal of diversity in programming and advance the cause of minority and female ownership. The federal courts haven't been applauding lately, but Kennard's trying again. The new Notice of Proposed Rulemaking would require outreach efforts to minority and female job applicants. But it wouldn't require licensees to compare their staff to the local labor force nor use the familiar "processing guidelines" to assess EEO efforts. It also wants to reinstate the employment data collection in the Annual Employment Report, but only to "monitor industry trends." Will Kennard succeed in his crusade? We'll be watching the action for you.

FORMAT CHANGES & UPDATES

(# change accompanies new ownership) (// simulcast)

		<u>formerly</u>	<u>becomes</u>
CA Auburn (Sacramento)	KAHI-950	news & talk	oldies, talk & sports
Lompoc	KTME-1410	# ABC - oldies	news & talk // KUHL
		(KTME is now a combo with KUHL)	
Mount Shasta	KMJC-FM-107.9	soft AC	adult alternative
		(The Mountain remains in its LMA with Redwood Broadcasting)	
CO Boulder (Denver)	KVCU-1190*	# silent	alternative
Evergreen (Denver)	KXPK-96.5	modern rock	adds Howard Stern
DE Lewes (Salisbury)	WXJN-105.9	country // WICO-FM	adds JRN - country ovr.
IL Jacksonville	WJIL-1550	talk	adult standards "Star"
Marion (Carbondale)	WDDD-FM-107.3	# country	adds Nashville Nights
McLeansboro (Carbon.)	WMCL-1060	# country	adds WW1 - country
		(WMCL is now in a combo with oldies WQRL)	
Oglesby	WALS-102.1	country	adds ABC - country
Pana	WXKO-FM-100.9	country	adds Branson - country
Rockton (Rockford)	WRWC-103.1	soft AC	adds JRN - soft AC
		(WRWC adds Jones Soft Hits overnights)	
IA Dubuque	WDBQ-1490	# oldies & talk	talk & sports
		(WDBQ, KLYV, KXGE and WJOD are now a combo with KIKR)	
KY Reidland (Paducah)	WZZL-106.7	rock	adds Bob & Tom
MD Salisbury	WICO-FM-94.3	country	adds JRN - country
		(WICO-FM adds Jones U.S. Country overnights)	
MA Orleans (Cape Cod)	WKPE-1170	# silent	folk/R&B // WUMB-FM
		(WKPE takes the calls WFPB(AM), WKPE has been donated to U. of Mass.)	
MI Baraga	WBUM-104.3	religion	VCY - religion
		(Correction to last week's report WBUM is not in an LMA-to-buy with VCY)	

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MS Tunica	WMPS-96.1	Spanish // WGSF	80's modern AC
MO Lexington (K.C.)	KNRX-107.3	modern rock	drops Mancow
NM Jal (Hobbs)	KPZA-103.7	new	JRN La Buena - reg. Mex.
NC Elizabeth City	WKJX-96.7	# country	ABC - urban gold "Kiss"
Roanoke Rapids	WCBT-1230	sports	news
(WCBT picks up TV's All News Channel for programming)			
Selma	WBZB-1090	southern gospel	reported silent
PA Philadelphia	WIOQ-102.1	dance	CHR
SC Florence	WYNN-540	# gospel & urban AC	drops urban AC (Jan.)
(WYNN AM/FM are now a combo with WHSC AM/FM, WHLZ and WYMB)			
West Columbia	WSCQ-100.1	standards & talk	drops talk
SD Dell Rapids (S. Falls)	KSOB-95.7	# new	classic rock
(KSOB and new cp KSQB have been sold to Lee Axdahl)			
TN Signal Mtn. (Chatt.)	WXKT-98.1	# country	R&B oldies "Love 98"
(WXKT adds ABC's Tom Joyner in January, it is now a combo with soft AC WLMX AM/FM, country WUSY and CHR WKXJ)			
TX Falfurrias	KDFM-103.3	new	Spanish cont. Christ.
(KDFM joins Paulino Bernal's southwest network of stations)			
Flower Mound (Dallas)	KNKI-96.7	# oldies	soft oldies "Memories"
(Think of KNKI as a 45+ soft AC, it combos to WBAP, KSCS, KAAM & KEMM)			
VA Fairlawn (Blacksburg)	WKNV-890	c. Christ. // WPAR s. gospel & religion	
WI Hudson (Minneapolis)	WMIN-740	talk/sports //WDGY to be JRN - reg. Mex.	
(WMIN brings Spanish programming to Minneapolis January 1st)			
WY Cheyenne	KFBC-1240	news & talk	ABC-AC & ESPN-sports
PQ Ste-Marie-de-Beauce	CJVL-101.3	French talk, Fr.AC	CHEQ-FM, French AC

NEW STATIONS: APPLICATIONS (* non-commercial station) (& reapplication)
(+ competes with existing application)

AR 88.7*	DeQueen	250 w, 75 ft	Educational Opportunities
CA 90.5*	Mendota	100 w, 574 ft	California Hardrives, Inc.
91.7*	Niland	1000 w, -20 ft	Your Christian Companion Net.
90.7*	Tracy	210 w, 1745 ft	Educational Media Foundation
(Educational Media has a translator here now)			
FL 88.7**	Cape Canaveral	400 w (v), 66 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
88.7**	Cape Canaveral	520 w (v), 97 ft	Florida Public Radio
88.7**	Cape Canaveral	125 w (v), 97 ft	Public Radio, Inc.
88.7**	Cape Canaveral	520 w (v), 131 ft	West Coast Educational, Inc.
88.3*	Cudjoe Key	100 w, 98 ft	Family Radio Network, Inc.
88.3**	Key West	no facils given	Bcstg. for the Challenged
MI 88.1*	Remus	100 w (h), 367 ft	Great Lakes Comm. Bcstg., Inc.
MN 88.3*	Brainerd	5000 w, 669 ft	Minnesota Public Radio
(Calvary Chapel has a translator here now)			
NM 90.9*	Hobbs	500 w (v), 328 ft	El Hispano, Inc.
NY 88.3*	Beekman	30 w, 679 ft	Montgomery NYC Bcstg., Inc.
OH 88.3*	South Vienna	700 w (v), 298 ft	Salt & Light Communications
PA 90.7*	Westmont	300h, 1000v, 1079 ft	Duquesne Univ./Holy Ghost
SD 88.5*	Pierre	500 w (v), 197 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
89.3*	Pierre	1600 w (v), 262 ft	Bcstg. for the Challenged
TX 90.9*	Carlsbad	3000 w (v), 522 ft	Optimum Impact, Inc.

Returned/Dismissed Applications

MI 91.1*	Albion (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
90.9*	Alpena (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.1*	Baldwin (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
91.3*	Bay City (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
90.9*	Belding (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Brooklyn (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Chelsea (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.1*	Gaylord (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Grand Blanc (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Harbor Springs (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.3*	Harbor Springs (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
90.3*	Imlay City (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.7*	Jackson (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.9*	Lapeer (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Marlette (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
90.3*	Morenci (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.3*	Mount Clemens (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
90.7*	Mount Pleasant (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.

Returned/Dismissed Applications (cont'd)

MI 88.5*	Muir (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.5*	Oakley (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
88.1*	Pentwater (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
90.3*	Port Huron (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
91.9*	Portage (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Remus (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
89.7*	Rogers City (R)	Great Lakes Community Bcstg.
NJ 90.3*	Lake Hopatcong (R)	Christian Educ. Association
TX 96.9*	Pittsburg (D)	Ora, Inc.

NEW STATIONS: ACCEPTED FOR FILING

AR 99.1	Pangburn	11-16-98	White County Broadcasting, LLC
CO 89.7*	Hayden	11-13-98	Educ. Comm. of CO. Springs
IA 90.5*	Oskaloosa	11-13-98	Salt & Light Communications
KS 89.7*	Emporia	11-15-98	Bible Broadcasting Network
MA 88.1*	Bedford	11-15-98	Bcstg. for the Challenged
MN 90.1*	Austin	11-13-98	Minnesota Public Radio
OR 88.9*	Redmond	11-13-98	State of Oregon
PA 89.1*	Markleysburg	11-13-98	Lighthouse Christian Academy

NEW STATIONS: GRANTS

MN 89.5*	Alexandria	7200 w, 321 ft	Christian Heritage Bcstg.
MO 90.1*	Moberly	250 w, 256 ft	American Family Association
NE 89.9*	Wilber	4800 w, 331 ft	Educational Media Foundation
OH 91.5*	Delphos	5300 w, 328 ft DA	American Family Association
TX 96.9*	Pittsburg	3900 w, 390 ft (as amended)	John Mitchell
AB 106.1	High Level	8765 w	Peace River Broadcasting Corp.

(This station will rebroadcast CKKX-FM)

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: APPLICATIONS

CA new-88.7*	Banning	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
new-89.1*	Chester	KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls
new-89.7*	McFarland	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
new-89.3*	Taft	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
new-88.9*	Yucca Valley	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
MN new-88.9*	Worthington	KRSW	Minnesota Public Radio
TX new-89.7*	Edna	KCZO	Paulino Bernal Evangelism
new-88.5*	Navasota	KSBJ	KSBJ Educational Found.

TRANSLATORS/BOOSTERS/SYNCHRONOUS XMTR: GRANTS

FL W214BA-90.7*	Sebring	27 w, WJIS	Radio Training Network
UT K218CT-91.5*	Vernal	92 w, KUSU-FM	Utah State University
WA K201ET-88.1*	Port Townsend	2 w (v) DA, KAWZ	Calv. Chapel/Twin Falls

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY

CA KCEL(CP)-106.9	California City	requests extension of time
KBUE-105.5	Long Beach	increases to 3000 w, 466 ft
KEJC-93.9	Modesto	license to cover for new station
KPLM-106.1	Palm Springs	increases to 397 ft
CO KGHF-1350	Pueblo	decreases to 280 w nights, changes to ND, changes xmtr loc. to 38-16-38 104-39-13
FL WBVD-95.1	Melbourne	canceled CP to increase to 253 ft
GA WRBN-104.1	Clayton	increases to 190 w, 1296 ft
WPGA-FM-100.9	Perry	increases to 3300 w, 446 ft
WMPZ-93.7	Ringgold	changes to 4900 w, 302 ft
ID KEZQ-102.9	Island Park	license to cover for new station
IL WAPO-90.5*	Mount Vernon	changes to 500 w, 203 ft
WNIQ-91.5*	Sterling	license to cover for new station
IA KIYX(CP)-106.1	Sageville	requests extension of time
KS KINZ-94.3	Humboldt	license to cover for new station
KSNS(CP)-91.5*	Medicine Lodge	requests extension of time
KRBW-90.5*	Ottawa	increases to 430 w
LA KRVQ-102.1	Blanchard	license to cover for new station
KAVK-89.7*	Many	license to cover for new station
MI WKFR-FM-103.3	Battle Creek	decreases to 482 ft, corrects coordinates to 42-21-20 85-20-28
		(application was granted this week)
WCSX-94.7	Birmingham	changes to 13500 w, 951 ft

CONSTRUCTION PERMIT ACTIVITY (cont'd)

MO KOBC-90.7*	Joplin	increases to 60000 w, 495 ft, adds DA, class C1
KCMW-FM-90.9*	Warrensburg	changes to 97000 w, 443 ft
NE KAYA-91.3*	Hubbard	increases to 5100 w
NJ WBSS-FM-97.3	Millville	drops directional antenna
NM KAQF-91.1*	Clovis	increases to 1350 w
NY WNTQ-93.1	Syracuse	changes xmtr loc. to 42-56-48 76-01-28
WRVD(CP)-90.3*	Syracuse	requests 3rd replacement of expired CP
NC WASQ(CP)-106.1	Jefferson	requests 5th extension of time
WNCW-88.7*	Spindale	decreases to 3027 ft, DA, changes xmtr location to 35-44-06 82-17-11
ND KRRB-92.1	Dickinson	increases to 10500 w, 492 ft, class C3
OH WYLX-97.3	Lebanon	increases to 4300 w
OK KCDL-99.3	Cordell	increases to 10500 w, 505 ft, class C3, changes xmtr loc. to 35-26-49 98-59-16
PA WAWN-89.5*	Franklin	license to cover for new station
WIKN-107.9	Port Matilda	changes to 450 w, 1174 ft, adds DA, changes xmtr loc. to 40-55-11 77-58-28
SC WSPX-94.5	Bowman	increases to 6000 w
SD KRRO-103.7	Sioux Falls	changes to 38000 w, 394 ft, changes xmtr location to 43-27-28 96-40-14
TN WJTT-94.3	Red Bank	dismissed CP to increase to 299 ft
WAUV(CP)-89.7*	Ripley	requests extension of time
TX KAXH-90.9*	Pampa	license to cover for new station
VA WGRQ-95.9	Colonial Beach	increases to 2400 w
WVST-FM-91.3*	Petersburg	increases to 2200 w (v), 167 ft, adds DA
WHKT-1650	Portsmouth	license to cover for new station
WA KKRS-97.3	Davenport	license to cover for new station
WI WRGX-88.5*	Sturgeon Bay	license to cover for new station
PQ CJVL-1360	Ste-Marie-de-Beauce	moves to 101.3 MHz, 4677 w

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: APPLICATIONS (& reapplication) [docket number]

CA KSCA-101.9	Glendale	change to 1750 w, 3090 ft, change xmtr location to 34-13-36 118-03-56
KJSN-102.3	Modesto	(ERP exceeds maximum for height above average terrain) increase to 312 ft, change xmtr loc. to 37-40-50 120-55-26
IL WMVP-1000	Chicago	direct measurement of antenna power
WTMX-101.9	Skokie	increase to 1561 ft, change xmtr loc. to 41-52-44 87-38-08
IN WKLO(CP)-92.9	Veedersburg	increase to 4500 w, 269 ft, change xmtr location to 40-08-46 87-27-15
KS KKRK-107.3	Wichita	increase to 879 ft, change xmtr loc. to 37-46-25 97-30-54
LA WWNO-89.9	New Orleans	increase to 85000 w (v) 748 ft, add DA, change xmtr loc. to 29-55-11 90-01-29
MN WMNN-1330	Minneapolis	modify CP to make changes to day and night patterns
KSKK-94.7	Staples	modify CP to increase to 469 ft, change xmtr location to 46-33-08 94-39-03
MT KPLG-91.5*	Plains	increase to 1800 w, class C1, correct coordinates to 47-22-22 114-51-31
NV KXXL(CP)-93.7	Sun Valley	change structure height
PA WJJJ-104.7	Pittsburgh	modify CP to change to 15000 w, 827 ft, drop DA
TX KXAL-FM-103.1	Pittsburg	one step application to increase to class C3, 25000 w, 302 ft
WV WWRN-620	Beckley	decrease to 25 w nights, ND, change xmtr location to 37-45-18 81-14-12

Returned/Dismissed Applications

SD KGFX-1060	Pierre (D)	direct measurement of antenna power
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FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS

AR KYXK-92.7	Gurdon	one step application to move to 106.9 C3, 17500 w, 302 ft [98-40]
CA KWIZ-96.7	Santa Ana	increase to 6000 w, 203 ft DA
GA WAMJ-107.5	Roswell	one step application to increase to class C3, 25000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr location to 33-55-54 84-20-43
IN WAUZ-89.1*	Greensburg	modify CP to change to 800 w (v), 518 ft

FACILITIES/PARAMETERS: GRANTS (cont'd)

KY WVCT-91.5*	Keavy	increase to 380 ft, change xmtr loc. to 86-59-01 84-08-01
ME WBLM-102.9	Portland	change auxiliary facility
WQHR-96.1	Presque Isle	decrease to 1279 ft, change xmtr location to 46-32-51 67-48-35
MI WKFR-FM-103.3	Battle Creek	decrease to 482 ft, correct coordinates to 42-21-20 85-20-28
MS WXRZ-94.3	Corinth	(this CP was granted and built this week) one step application to increase to class C3, 25000 w, 328 ft, change xmtr location to 34-48-36 88-34-45
MT KWWF-96.5	West Yellowstone	move to 92.9 C, increase to 46000 w, 2732 ft, change xmtr location to 44-33-41 111-26-32 [97-200]
NY WCTW-98.5	Catskill	modify CP to change xmtr location to 42-12-03 73-50-09
WGNY-1220	Newburgh	adds 180 w nights, DA-1, change xmtr loc. to 41-31-53 74-06-48
NC WJNC-1240	Jacksonville	direct measurement of antenna power
WWMG-96.1	Shelby	build new auxiliary facility
PA WMRP-FM-95.9	Lewistown	one step application to move to 95.7 MHz, drop DA
VT WCVT-101.7	Stowe	change to 135 w, 2066 ft, change xmtr location to 44-25-44 72-49-42
VA WUPP-94.3	Warrenton	change to 2000 w, 574 ft, change xmtr location to 38-44-31 77-50-07
WA KBRD-680	Lacey	change xmtr location to 47-03-44 122-49-49

CALL LETTER CHANGES (# applied for by new owners)

MA WKPE-1170	Orleans	becomes # WFPB (requested)
PQ CJVL-101.3	Ste-Marie-de-Beauce	CHEQ-FM

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS

(314 asset sale, 315 transfer of control, 316 reorganization)

AL WGMZ-93.1	Glencoe	314 from Appalachian Broadcasting Company to Capstar Royalty II Corporation (\$900,000; includes LMA; assumption of contracts for Westwood One's Adult Standards and CNN Radio News Service)
CA KBZK-94.1/ KBZX-103.1	Morro Bay/ Paso Robles	314 from Sarape Communications, Inc. to Moon Broadcasting Paso Robles, LLC (\$750,000)
FL WROD-1340	Daytona Beach	314 from La Paz Broadcasting, Inc. to Gore-Overgaard Broadcasting, Inc. (\$1,010,000 cash at close; \$2,500 consulting agreement)
WOTS-1220	Kissimmee	314 from Winfield Broadcasting, Inc. to J & V Communications, Inc. (\$450,000 includes \$250,000 promissory note; broker is Hadden & Associates)
GA WMNZ-1050	Montezuma	316 from Macon Cty. Bcstg. (W. Blizzard, Jr.) to Macon Cty. Bcstg. (C. Blizzard/V. Coley)
ID KLLP-98.5	Chubbuck	314 from CSN International to Citicasters Co. (\$575,000 includes LMA; app. was also filed to transfer this station to Clear Channel)
MS WZFL-FM-104.9	Centreville	314 from Port Allen Educational Bcstg. to Southwest Broadcasting, Inc.
NE KBRL-1300/ KICX-FM-96.1	McCook	314 from Ron Crowe and Associates to McCook Radio Group, LLC
NM KKSS-97.3	Santa Fe	314 from SunGroup Bcstg. of New Mexico, Inc. to Simmons Media Group, Inc.
NY WQEW-1560/ WQXR-FM-96.3	New York	316 from Interstate Broadcasting Co., Inc. to The New York Times Electronic Media Co.
NC WRRZ-880	Clinton	315 from WRRZ Radio (Delma Dixon) to WRRZ Radio Company, Inc.
OH WZAK-93.1	Cleveland	316 from Zapis Communications (X. Zapis) to Zapis Communications (X. Zapis, Trustee)
WTTF-1600/103.7	Tiffin	315 from WTTF, Inc. (Richard & F. M. Wright) to WTTF, Inc. (Jacor Communications Co.)
PA WBFD-1600	Bedford	314 from Paul D. Ingrund to John H. Cessna (\$29,000 includes \$21,750 promissory note)

PROPOSED STATION TRANSFERS (cont'd)

SC WLGO-1170	Lexington	314 from AARC Broadcast Properties, Inc. to Power Nomics Telecom Corporation (\$200,000 includes \$100,000 promissory note)
TN WJAK-1460/ WZDQ-102.3	Jackson/ Humboldt	314 from Quality Broadcasting of Tennessee to Wolfe Communications, Inc.
VA WTJZ-1270	Newport News	314 from Broadcasting Corp. of VA (DIP) to Chesapeake-Portsmouth Bcstg. Corp. (\$380,000; assumption of liabilities, includes \$30,000 promissory note)
VI WAVI-93.5	Christiansted	314 from St. Croix Wireless Co., Inc. to El Morro Broadcasting, Inc.

Entercom has filed Form 316 transfer applications to transfer control from its "current ownership" structure to a revised ownership structure. The transfer applications were filed for 28 stations in preparation for a company IPO.

In preparation for the pending Clear Channel/Jacor merger, the companies are filing transfer applications that will place the stations into subsidiaries of Clear Channel. All of Jacor's properties are being transferred from various company names using Form 315 from "Shareholders of Jacor" to Clear Channel Communications, Inc. Clear Channel is transferring its stations using Form 316 apps from Clear Channel Metroplex Licenses, Inc., to Clear Channel Radio Licenses, Inc.

DISMISSED STATION TRANSFERS

CA KWAN-100.5	Gualala (D)	314 from KWAN Broadcasting Company
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WASHINGTON THIS WEEK

Just before dashing off to turkey and cranberry (or maybe the new "tofurkey" they're selling at trendy foodstores), the Commission approves the sale of the Pulitzer radio and TV assets to Hearst-Argyle. The main radio piece is the big Phoenix cluster of news/talk KTAR (620 KHz); sports KMVP (860 KHz); and soft AC KKLT (98.7 MHz). They've been the focus of much speculation about a spinoff by Hearst-Argyle. Pulitzer is also transferring the licenses of two AMs related to its TV properties: WXII, Eden, NC (830 KHz), in the Greensboro, NC market. And WLKY, Louisville, KY (970 KHz). FCC approval includes approval of transfer of control and the necessary radio-TV waivers. Hearst-Argyle hasn't touched home plate yet: It and Pulitzer have received comments from the SEC on the deal and are responding. Pulitzer's planning a special shareholders meeting in January for a final vote, before spinning off its remaining newspaper and new media assets to current stockholders.

Routine waivers for radio-TV cross-ownership in a local market may get a lot less routine, based on what M Street hears about the possible agenda of the December 17 monthly Open Meeting. Merrill Lynch analyst Jessica Reif Cohen says the FCC has "sent out two controversial 'trial balloons'", and one of them concerns "one-to-a-market" radio-TV waivers. (The other is television LMAs, some of which could be in jeopardy because the Commission may change its ownership attribution standards for TV.) The FCC is circulating proposals to tighten up on radio-TV waivers in terms of limiting local ownership to one TV station and four to six radio properties. It's important to note that the FCC almost always grandfathers current clusters when it changes policy. On the subject of LMAs, note that the Commission treats TV very differently from radio. It currently allows operators to LMA a TV station they couldn't own under the rules -- the exact opposite of the radio regs.

The FCC is red-flagging proposed Clear Channel-Jacor transfers in Cleveland, Tampa, Dayton, Louisville and Jacksonville. It accepted the filings but tacked on the new "concentration/competition/diversity" notice it started using this Fall. All the proposed transfers are licensed to Jacor. The Clear Channel-Jacor merger creates unacceptably large concentrations in those five markets, and last week M Street told you which 20 stations Clear Channel proposes to divest. Will that be enough for the FCC and the Department of Justice? Stay tuned.

Airing a couple of unauthorized phone calls gets WNNK, Harrisburg, PA an \$8,000 fine. The Capstar CHR station apparently put two separate calls on the air without the required notification. M Street notes that "permission" isn't exactly what's involved here; it's notification before putting someone's voice on the air or recording it for use on the air. Not doing that constitutes a violation of Section 73.1206 of the Rules. (DA NO 98-2332)

WASHINGTON THIS WEEK (cont'd)

M Street tries to keep an eye peeled for dismissed or canceled licenses, and here's the latest batch: The license renewal for Diggins Media's WTGC, Lewisburg, PA (1010 KHz) was dismissed per the applicant's request (98-0612WA). Christian Family Network had its license for WOLY, Battle Creek, MI (1500 KHz) canceled by letter of November 12 (920422YC). But the station tells M Street it's a paperwork problem which it's trying to clear up. The FCC canceled the license of Jac-Vin Religious Broadcasters for WLMJ, Jackson, OH (1280 KHz), which M Street has listed as silent for some time. And the Commission also canceled the license of Kenyon College's WKCO, Gambier, OH (91.9 MHz), and M Street has so far been unable to contact the station for comment.

CANADA THIS WEEK

Telemedia Communications, which already owns 23 stations in Quebec, Ontario and Alberta, agrees to pick up four more (in southern Ontario) from Radiocorp. The two AM/FM combos are in Hamilton and London. Stations: oldies CKOC (1150 KHz) and AC CKLH (102.9 MHz), both licensed to Hamilton, ON. And full-service CJBK (1190 KHz) and country CJBX (92.7 MHz), both licensed to London, ON. M Street notes the new local cluster in London, where Telemedia already owns soft AC "EZ Rock" CIQM (97.5 MHz). Telemedia didn't announce a price on the deal, which of course motors over to the CRTC for approval.

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) has granted licenses for new digital radio stations in Montreal. The new digital operations will simulcast the AM or FM analog station they're associated with. No more than 14 hours a week of non-simulcast programming is allowed. The stations and their assigned digital channels are: CBF-FM at 1458.048 MHz; CBFX-FM at 1458.048 MHz; CBM-FM at 1458.048 MHz; CBME-FM at 1458.048 MHz; CKGM at 1452.816 MHz; CHOM-FM at 1452.816 MHz; CITE-FM at 1452.816 MHz; CKAC at 1452.816 MHz; and CKMF-FM at 1452.816 MHz. The stations will transmit with 11,724 watts from the Mount Royal tower in Montreal which is used by many of the city's existing FM and TV stations.

The CRTC has granted CKSR-FM's application for the flexibility to adjust its popular music mix and change popular music formats it desired. The station is barred from entering the jazz, classical music, news or talk formats but is otherwise free of other programming restrictions. CKSR-FM is the latest station to take advantage of a 1995 CRTC ruling that eliminated the definitions of Pop, Rock, Dance and Country formats and granted stations within these formats freedom to change programming if desired. Known as Star-FM, CKSR-FM is based in Chilliwack, BC and broadcasts its soft AC format to Vancouver on CFSR-FM.

ELSEWHERE

The Big Deal of the week is Citadel's \$77 million purchase of the 16 radio properties owned by Wicks, an investment company that's exiting both radio and TV. M Street hears a number of groups took a hard look at Wicks, and the final two were Regent and Citadel. Regent dropped out, and Larry Wilson's Citadel was the winner of the bidding, in a deal brokered by Merrill Lynch. Citadel scores the top-billing clusters in Charleston, SC (Arbitron market #97) and Binghamton, NY (#165). Jim Duncan estimates the eight Wicks stations in Charleston billed 48.6% of the market revenue last year. And the Binghamton cluster was even more voracious -- it did 62.2%.

A look at what Citadel gets, using 12+ Arbitron shares -- In Charleston, SC it's acquiring urban WWVZ, Summerville, SC (93.3 MHz); talk WTMA (1250 KHz); CHR WSSX-FM (95.1 MHz); country WNKT, St. George, SC (the former WBUB) at 107.5 MHz; soft AC WSUY (96.9 MHz); urban AC WMGL, Ravenel, SC (101.7 MHz); black gospel WXTC (1390 KHz); and news WTMZ, Dorchester, SC (910 KHz). M Street does the math to discover that those eight stations combined for a 39.9 share 12+ in the Summer Arbitron, and according to Jim Duncan had \$8,110,000 in combined revenue.

In Binghamton, Citadel scoops up an even more dominant cluster. The combined firepower produced a 39.0 share 12+ in the Spring Arbitron and 62.2% of the market's total radio revenue last year, according to Duncan. The stations: country WHWK (98.1 MHz); classic rock WAAL; talk WNBK (1290 KHz); oldies WYOS, Chenango Bridge, NY (104.1 MHz); and adult standards WKOP (1360 KHz). Citadel also gets three Wicks stations in central Indiana: country WWKI, Kokomo (100.5 MHz) and New Castle, IN-licensed country WMDH-FM (102.5 MHz) and talk/sports WMDH (1550 KHz). Citadel expects a speedy close to this deal: the first quarter of 1999.

ELSEWHERE (cont'd)

Florida's J & V Communications buys oldies WOTS, Kissimmee, FL (1220 KHz). This is an Orlando-area AM that Alliance Broadcasting was supposed to buy, but never closed on. Now it's going to John Torrado, whose J & V group owns a couple of other AMs in central Florida: black gospel/talk WTRR, Sanford (1400 KHz) and Spanish variety/Spanish talk WPRD, Winter Park (1440 KHz). Both do brokered programming. John Zaleski's Winfield Broadcasting is selling WOTS for \$450,000 (\$200,000 cash at closing and the balance in notes). Broker: Winter Springs, FL-based Hadden and Associates.

It's not a moral dilemma, Dr. Laura -- it's a LEGAL dilemma. The battle for rights to Dr. Laura's 15-year-old vignettes has just landed in Los Angeles Superior Court, where American View Inc. says it's asking for declaratory judgment against current Dr. Laura syndicator Premiere Radio Networks. AVI wants the court to affirm that it and Norman Baer have the right to syndicate the 500 short-form shows written and produced for ABC Radio in the early 1980s. Premiere claims that Baer can't exploit them as "Dr. Laura" material.

And those Dr. Laura nude photos have spawned another court fight -- over the Internet rights. Seattle-based Internet Entertainment Group says only it has legal rights to the "Dirty Dozen" photos taken 23 years ago by Bill Ballance. IEG threatens legal action against more than 50 firms and persons it claims have ripped off the infamous photos.

A computer hacker broke into the WHFS website and "canceled" a station-sponsored concert. The Washington Post reports the hacker repeatedly broke into the website of the D.C.- and Baltimore-market modern rock station over a three-day period and sent e-mails to listeners saying the "HFSmas Holiday Nutcracker" show was off. The station has temporarily shut down its e-mail while it upgrades its security, and webmaster Bill Gallagher is still trying to identify the "back door" the hacker used to get in.

Zero tolerance: The University of Kentucky is banning alcohol ads on its radio network as part of a new policy by Athletic Director C. M. Newton. That could hit some stations in the pocketbook if other schools follow suit. UK's change follows the alleged drunk driving death of a UK football player and his teammate's arrest for manslaughter.

Arbitron update: McAllen-Brownsville, TX is no longer a continuous measurement market. The reason is what you'd expect -- not enough subscriber interest. The Texas border market of McAllen-Brownsville is #62 in the current Arbitron rankings, and as a Condensed Market will no longer get Winter or Summer ratings (nor Arbitrends).

Here's one ratings contract Arbitron didn't get: ACNielsen wins the Australian radio ratings contract (again). The new three-year contract starts in January 2000 and it's believed Arbitron was interested in winning it. ACNielsen -- not related to the U.S. TV ratings service called "Nielsen Media Research" -- does radio ratings in 12 countries. Arbitron says it's considering bidding on ratings contracts in ten countries outside the U.S.

In the U.K., DMG Radio (a subsidiary of the Daily Mail and General Trust) is reportedly buying two local stations for a little less than 4 million pounds: Surrey station Radio Mercury (from Allied Radio, a subsidiary of Independent Radio Group). And West Sussex facility "Fame 1521 AM."

Did Big City actually send Chancellor a fake horse's head? Somebody watching too many old "Godfather" movies here? Big City is taking the contest with "Jammin' Oldies" pretty seriously. The Chicago Sun-Times reports WXXY/WYXX did indeed deliver a "replica of a bloody horse's head" to Chancellor, which just launched a direct competitor to "Heart and Soul" WXXY/WYXX. The paper says Chancellor fired back with a fax disparaging the power of "'Weak' Heart and 'Poor' Soul."

M STREET BAZAAR. . . PEOPLE, PRODUCTS, AND PROGRAMMING

Chancellor's upstart AMFM Network outbids ABC Radio to secure radio rights to the next two runnings of the Kentucky Derby. ABC's had the radio rights since 1980. Chancellor is co-venturing its new deal with Kentucky-based Host Communications and has some interesting ideas, like a two-hour call-in show the night before the Derby featuring some of the jockeys, trainers and handicappers. The new contract also includes Spanish-language rights. The 125th Derby is May 1, 1999. Quick history of the Derby on radio: WHAS, Louisville carried the first live call of the Derby back on May 16, 1925. It went national on NBC Radio in 1929, then later moved to CBS before ABC got it in 1980.

M STREET BAZAAR (cont'd)

Denver WILL be getting Howard Stern every morning, only it will be on a Chancellor station (rock KXPX, Evergreen at 96.5 MHz) and not a Tribune station (classic rock KKHK). The Rocky Mountain News reports that Chancellor opened negotiations with Howard Stern after Tribune's deal to put him on classic rock KKHK was aborted at the last second. "Hawk" GM David Juris claimed the cause was listener feedback. Stern debuts on "The Peak" Monday, November 30.

It's now called "Catholic Family Radio" (not "Catholic Radio Network"), and it's supposed to debut its new talk lineup any day now. The fledgling company tells M Street that former Salem-syndicated talkshow host and 1996 GOP presidential candidate Alan Keyes will be in the starting rotation, though he may not actually appear on the air until mid-December. CFR stations have been airing Gregorian chants while they got the lineup organized. Since M Street gets calls every time we write about John Lynch's Catholic radio effort, here are the contact numbers: Phone (619) 784-6900. Fax (619) 784-6910.

KABC dumps its Minyard and Tilden morning show, as new programmer Drew Hayes is really making some lineup changes at the LA talker. Gone is 29-year KABC personality Ken Minyard. The Los Angeles Times notes that Minyard started at the station in 1969 and began doing mornings in 1973. His partners were Bob Arthur (for 17 years) and Roger Barkley (6 years). Two years ago Peter Tilden came along, but the team didn't always mesh.

If you want to do "Jammin' Oldies", you'd better call up Chancellor first. The group has filed to service-mark the "Jammin' Oldies" phrase it debuted in Los Angeles (on KCMG) and has spread to places like Chicago (on the one-time rocker WRGX). M Street research turns up the fact that Chancellor has also filed to servicemark these phrases -- "Tha Bomb", categorized under "Commercial promotional events and concert productions. There's also "Listen Without Prejudice", under "Radio programming services", and "Wild About Kids", under the heading of "Interactive education expositions for children."

Nashville news: Marty McFly will co-host (with Dallas Turner) the Jones/Capstar syndicated evening show titled "Nashville Nights." M Street remembers that KPLX, Dallas personality Cody Alan was originally tapped for this role but bowed out. Turner's been co-hosting with visiting guest stars (and doing a darn fine job, in M Street's estimation).

Heeere's Ed! Ed McMahon gets to be the big cheese as the celebrity host of the Jones-syndicated Music Of Your Life "Celebrity Weekends," through December 27. The spotlights air Saturday evenings (8 to 9 pm) and Sunday afternoons (5 to 6 pm). Jones: (303) 784-8700.

WJR, Detroit is poised to bring back 80-year-old Ernie Harwell to broadcast the Tigers, eight years after he was canned by the team and made into a martyr by the Tiger faithful. The Detroit News says current WJR play-by-play man Frank Breckmann, who's worked at 'JR since 1972, wants to come off the road for family reasons. And Harwell's ready to come off the bench and handle the next two seasons -- the team's final year at the ancient Tiger Stadium and its first in the team's new park. Hall of Famer Harwell did the Tigers from 1960 to 1991, and the Brooklyn Dodgers before that.

National Public Radio looks outside the building to hire television and Internet producer Cynthia Samuels to take the newly-created position of "Senior National Editor." She was previously Executive Producer and Executive VP for the in-school news service called "Channel One", and will be in charge of NPR's Washington and National desks starting January 4, 1999.

Former Heritage group head Paul Fiddick joins Motorola's "RadioWave.com" as Vice Chairman. "RadioWave.com" is designed to give broadcasters opportunities to make money from the Internet. It's also part of a new alliance with Arbitron NewMedia to measure Internet "listening."

The Commission's moving to The Portals, office by office. Radio stations are trying to make budget for the year and maybe have a little holiday fun. And M Street's here trying to track it all for you. Your feedback and suggestions are always welcome, and our sincere thanks for reading the M Street Journal every week. See you back next week!

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M Street format data produces the following format information:

Counts as of November 1998

Primary Format	Total	Commercial	Non-Comm.	% AM	% FM	Simulcast	Network
1 Country	2,382	2,368	14	33%	67%	296 12%	531 22%
2 News, Talk	1,621	1,131	490	67%	33%	227 14%	613 38%
3 Adult Contemporary	853	844	9	22%	78%	64 8%	181 21%
4 Oldies	803	799	4	39%	61%	63 8%	311 39%
5 Religion (Teaching, Variety)	682	356	326	49%	51%	80 12%	117 17%
6 Adult Standards	569	561	8	86%	14%	35 6%	357 63%
7 Spanish	551	493	58	59%	41%	72 13%	60 11%
8 Contemporary Christian	463	164	299	14%	86%	54 12%	137 30%
9 Variety	436	43	393	12%	88%	29 7%	-
10 Top-40 (CHR)	418	379	39	3%	97%	27 6%	1 0%
11 Soft Adult Contemporary	371	368	3	21%	79%	32 9%	105 28%
12 Alternative Rock	366	96	270	3%	97%	14 4%	-
13 Southern Gospel	313	273	40	71%	29%	18 6%	81 26%
14 Adult Hits, Hot AC	285	281	4	4%	96%	11 4%	61 21%
15 Classic Rock	283	282	1	4%	96%	16 6%	52 18%
16 Rock	276	266	10	3%	97%	17 6%	-
17 Sports	251	251		96%	4%	18 7%	178 71%
18 Black Gospel	250	238	12	85%	15%	17 7%	17 7%
19 Urban, R&B	193	171	22	21%	79%	6 3%	-
20 Classic Hits	193	192	1	4%	96%	12 6%	36 19%
21 Jazz	155	88	67	7%	93%	7 5%	23 15%
22 Classical, Fine Arts	152	40	112	4%	96%	29 19%	11 7%
23 New Rock, Modern Rock	145	145		4%	96%	20 14%	10 7%
24 Urban AC	127	127		27%	73%	11 9%	40 31%
25 Ethnic	85	77	8	75%	25%	6 7%	-
26 Modern AC	79	79		1%	99%	2 3%	7 9%
27 Gospel	77	45	32	51%	49%	12 16%	4 5%
28 R&B Oldies	56	56		57%	43%	2 4%	23 41%
29 Easy Listening	47	39	8	21%	79%	2 4%	-
30 Pre-Teen	37	37		95%	5%	2 5%	33 89%
not available or changing	9	3	6	0%	100%	-	-
Total operating stations	12,528	10,292	2,236	38%	62%	1201 10%	2989 24%
Stations off the air	113	(85 AM and 28 FM)		75%	25%		
Construction permits	604	(74 AM and 530 FM)		12%	88%		
Total stations and CP's	13,245	(4900 AM and 8345 FM)		37%	63%		

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Stations are counted in their primary format only.

Simulcast and Network totals are for stations with a primary Simulcast or Network programming source.