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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Notice of Proposed Rule Making, MM Docket No. 00-125, adopted July 12, 2000, and released July 13, 2000. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Center 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Provisions of the Regulatory Flexibility Act of 1980 do not apply to this proceeding.

Members of the public should note that from the time a Notice of Proposed Rule Making is issued until the matter is no longer subject to Commission consideration or court review, all *ex parte* contacts are prohibited in Commission proceedings, such as this one, which involve channel allotments. See 47 CFR 1.1204(b) for rules governing permissible *ex parte* contacts.

For information regarding proper filing procedures for comments, see 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.420.

Federal Communications Commission.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Part 73

[DA 00-1446; MM Docket No. 99-232; RM-9321]

#### Radio Broadcasting Services; Fort Bridger, WY and Hyrum, UT

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; dismissal.

**SUMMARY:** M. Kent Frandsen requested the downgrade of Channel 256C1 to Channel 256C3 at Fort Bridger, Wyoming, the reallocation of Channel 256C3 from Fort Bridger to Hyrum, Utah, and the modification of Station KNYN(FM)'s construction permit accordingly. See 64 FR 36323, July 6, 1999. On June 16, 2000, petitioner filed

a request for dismissal. A showing of continuing interest is required before a channel will be allotted. It is the Commission's policy to refrain from making an allotment to a community absent an expression of interest. Therefore, we will dismiss the instant petition.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a synopsis of the Commission's Report and Order, MM Docket No. 99-232, adopted June 21, 2000, and released June 30, 2000. The full text of this Commission decision is available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center (Room CY-A257), 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC. The complete text of this decision may also be purchased from the Commission's copy contractors, International Transcription Service, Inc., (202) 857-3800, 1231 20th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20036.

Federal Communications Commission.

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 679

[Docket No. 000629198-0198-01; I.D. 051500D]

RIN 0648-AM72

#### Fisheries of the Exclusive Economic Zone Off Alaska; Western Alaska Community Development Quota Program

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; request for comments.

**SUMMARY:** NMFS proposes regulations to implement Amendment 66 to the Fishery Management Plan for the Groundfish Fishery of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Area (FMP) to remove the allocation of squid to the Western Alaska Community Development Quota (CDQ) Program. This proposed rule also would implement regulatory amendments

under the American Fisheries Act (AFA) requiring that only pollock caught while directed fishing for pollock CDQ accrue against the pollock CDQ allocation, and revising the definition of "directed fishing for pollock CDQ." Pollock caught incidentally in other groundfish CDQ fisheries would accrue against the pollock incidental catch allowance (ICA) established under the AFA. This action is necessary to implement Amendment 66 and the CDQ Program-related provisions of the AFA. It is intended to further the goals and objectives of the FMP.

**DATES:** Comments must be received by August 31, 2000.

**ADDRESSES:** Written comments should be sent to Sue Salvesson, Assistant Regional Administrator, Sustainable Fisheries Division, Alaska Region, NMFS, P.O. Box 21668, Juneau, AK 99802, Attn: Lori Gravel. Comments also may be hand delivered or couriered to the Federal Building, 709 West 9th Street, Juneau, AK. Comments also may be sent via facsimile (fax) to 907-586-7465. Comments will not be accepted if submitted via e-mail or the Internet. Copies of Amendment 66 to the FMP and the two Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review/Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analyses (EA/RIR/IRFA) prepared for these actions are available from NMFS at the above address, or by calling the Alaska Region, NMFS, at 907-586-7228.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Management Background and Need for Action

NMFS manages fishing for groundfish by U.S. vessels in the exclusive economic zone of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands management area (BSAI) according to the FMP. The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) prepared the FMP under authority of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act). Regulations governing fishing by U.S. vessels appear at 50 CFR parts 600 and 679.

The Council has submitted Amendment 66 for Secretarial review. NMFS published a Notice of Availability of the FMP amendment at 65 FR 34434, May 30, 2000, and invited comments on the FMP amendment through July 31, 2000. All written comments received by July 31, 2000, whether specifically directed to the FMP amendment, the proposed rule, or both, will be considered in the