

NAEB FILES ON BEHALF OF NEW FCC FORMS

The NAEB has filed comments supporting the FCC's proposal for new application forms for educational stations. ~~However, the~~ NAEB urged that the use of the forms not be limited to applicants and licensees who operate or propose operations on reserved channels (as the FCC has proposed). The comments stated, "It is respectfully urged that the choice of the application or reporting forms which are to be utilized should not be made to depend on the particular frequency involved. ~~It may generally be stated that...~~ if a 'commercial' form is inappropriate for a non-commercial ~~FM~~ educational FM station which operates on a reserved frequency, it will be equally inappropriate for a non-commercial educational AM station operated by the same licensee, or for an identical FM or television operation which operates on a non-reserved channel." The NAEB also urged certain modifications relative to submission of balance sheets, ~~certain~~ ^{definitions} for Program Data," and the section dealing with ownership.

NAEB SUPPORTS FCC PROPOSAL FOR NEW ETV SERVICE

The Association has filed comments supporting the proposal of the Commission for a new ETV service (Docket No. 14744). However, no position was taken as to possible location of the proposed service within the spectrum, because this problem is still being explored in consultation with engineering counsel and interested members. Our ^{new comments} ~~comments~~ regarding location within the spectrum will be filed as reply comments. In initial comments, the NAEB urged the FCC to make very clear, as stated in its Public Notice, that the new service will be "in the nature of a supplement to educational television broadcasting, and that the Commission's determination here is not to be construed as defining or limiting the future needs for and uses of educational television broadcast stations. The latter is a national problem of the broadest sweep and the greatest urgency, beyond the scope of the instant proceeding."

*To multiple locations on channels 1990-2110 Mc
or 2500-2690 Mc.*

NAEB ASKS FOR EXTENSION IN MICROWAVE HEARINGS

In order to permit further engineering study and consultation with interested member stations, the NAEB has requested the FCC to extend the deadline for filing comments in the microwave proceedings to October 15.

MICROWAVE

(AT REQUEST OF EIA, THE FCC EXTENDED TO NOV. 1 DEADLINE FOR REPLIES.)

AFTRA-WNDT NEGOTIATIONS

The NAEB has issued a "position paper" to all ETV stations relative to the recent AFTRA action against WNDT, New York City. The NAEB paper points out that there has always been a general recognition that ETV is, by its very nature, different from commercial television, and that understanding of this basic difference must continue to influence the future course of

labor relations in educational television. The position is taken that the matter of compensation for professional educators must be evaluated within the total educational context and must be worked out among educators within their own profession; it is not a matter for outside interference or control by specific trade unions.

HENRY NAMED TO FCC

E. William Henry, 33-year-old Memphis attorney, has been nominated by President Kennedy to succeed John S. Cross on the FCC. Cross, whose term officially expired June 30, will continue to serve on the Commission until Henry's appointment is confirmed by the Senate. Henry had worked actively on the Kennedy Presidential campaign. He feels there is room for improvement in television programming and that it is up to the industry to provide it. However, the government should act if the industry doesn't.

~~XXXXX~~ FEDERAL AID TO ETV

On August 28, representatives of HEW appeared before the House Appropriations committee to ask for \$4.75 million dollars for operation of the Federal aid to ETV program for the balance of the fiscal year. However, certain members of the committee indicated they felt that the ~~new~~ FCC proposal for ~~the~~ new ETV service in the 2000 mc band might make appropriations under the ETV legislation unnecessary. HEW presented a detailed report showing how the two systems are totally different, and both needed. No action has yet been taken by the House committee. In view of this fact, and that the matter still has to be ^{considered by} presented to the Senate ^{appropriations} committee, it is ^{undoubtedly} generally ~~felt~~ ^{that it will} not be possible for HEW to make any grants for ETV construction within the 1962 calendar year.

(SENATE COMMITTEE HEARING SCHEDULED FOR TODAY - 2/15/62)

FCC PROPOSES ALL-CHANNEL TV RECEIVER RULES

To implement the 1962 law requirement that all TV receivers shipped in interstate commerce be able to receive both UHF and VHF signals, the FCC proposed, on Sept. 12, rules for technical compliance which, upon adoption, will give manufacturers time to completely switch over to all-channel set production by April 30, 1964. The proposals are the result of conferences with EIA and reflect views of makers of TV receivers and tuners. The 1964 target date is being proposed to give manufacturers opportunity to incorporate approved standards in their 1965 models (1964 models have already been designed) which will be designed by June, 1963, produced early in 1964, and put on sale by June, 1964. The April 30, 1964 date is pegged to the manufacture of the set. One made before that date would be marked to show it had been manufactured ahead of the deadline and could thus be shipped for sale on any subsequent date, even though not meeting all-channel requirements. Comments to the proposed rule making are invited by October 22.

DEINTERMIXTURE PROCEEDINGS TERMINATED

On Sept. 12, the FCC terminated eight deintermixture proceedings involving Madison, Wisc., Rockford, Ill., Hartford, Conn., Erie, Pa., Birmingham, N.Y., Champaign, Ill., Columbia, S.C., and Montgomery, Ala. The Commission took this action because, as it informed Congress, enactment of the all-channel receiver legislation is a major change in the circumstances affecting these previous deintermixture proposals and a sufficient period of time should be allowed to indicate whether the all-channel requirement will achieve the Commission's overall allocations goals.

NAEB OPPOSES SHIFT OF CH. 47 TO NEW YORK CITY

In line with its general recommendations for ETV channels contained in "The Needs of Education for Television Channel Allocations," the NAEB filed

comments yesterday (20th) opposing the petition of WMCA, New York, which seeks to move Ch. 47 from New Brunswick, N. J., to New York City, and assign Ch. 79 to New Brunswick and Ch. 53 to Newark, N.J.

FRYMIRE REPLACES ENGAR

Dr. Lawrence T. Frymire (Manager, WKAR, Michigan State U.) has been appointed Chief of the Educational Broadcasting Branch of the Division of Research and Education of the FCC. Dr. Keith Engar, who filled this post initially on a temporary basis, has returned to his duties as manager of KUED, University of Utah. Frymire is currently chairman of the NAEB Radio Planning committee.

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