



# ANNOUNCEMENT

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## REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

### CABLE COMPULSORY LICENSE; SPECIALTY STATION LIST: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

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##### Copyright Office

[Docket No. RM 90-3]

##### Cable Compulsory License; Specialty Station List: Request for Information

**AGENCY:** Library of Congress, Copyright Office.

**ACTION:** Request for information.

**SUMMARY:** The Copyright Office has established an annotated list of specialty stations for purposes of administration of the cable compulsory license, section 111 of title 17 of the United States Code. The Office hereby invites all interested television broadcast stations not on the Copyright Office Specialty Station List who claim specialty station status under the former distant signal carriage rules of the Federal Communications Commission at 47 CFR 76.5(kk) (June 24, 1981) to submit to the Copyright Office sworn affidavits stating that in the preceding calendar year the programming of their stations satisfied the FCC's former requirements for specialty station status.

**DATES:** Affidavits should be received in the Copyright Office on or before December 3, 1990.

**ADDRESSES:** The sworn affidavit should be addressed, if sent by mail to: Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Department 17, Washington, DC 20540. If delivered by hand, the comments should be brought to: Office of the General Counsel, U.S. Copyright Office, James Madison Memorial Building, Room 407, First and Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dorothy Schrader, General Counsel, U.S. Copyright Office, Library of Congress, Department 17, Washington, DC 20540. Telephone: (202) 707-8380.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Copyright Office has established a final, annotated list of specialty stations for the purpose of administration of the cable compulsory license of section 111 of the Copyright Act, title 17 of the United States Code. The procedure for establishing and updating the list was published on September 18, 1989 at 54 FR 38461.

As part of the public proceeding to establish the specialty station list, the

Office received several late requests for addition to the list. The Office proposes to consider these requests in this new proceeding to update the established list. All television broadcast stations not on the established Copyright Office Specialty Station List who claim specialty station status pursuant to the Federal Communication Commission's former rules at 47 CFR 76.5(kk) (June 24, 1981) are invited to request that the station be added to the Copyright Office Specialty Station List. The request should be made in the form of an affidavit by an appropriate officer or agent of the station. We specify no particular format for the affidavit.

Subsequently, the Office will publish a notice in the Federal Register and invite public comment as to whether particular stations qualify as specialty stations. At the conclusion of the proceeding, the Office will publish an updated Copyright Office Specialty Station List.

Dated: September 17, 1990.

Ralph Oman,

Register of Copyrights.

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