



Recommendation WG 3.86.003

COORDINATION
for
FUTURE PLANS

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Subject Area: Notification-Response Procedures

Title: Coordination for Future Plans

Section 21.100 (d) (2) (X) of the FCC Rules requires coordinators to distribute six-month renewal notices in order to assure continued coordination protection in cases in which no related FCC application has been filed. The Rules also state, in Section 21.100 (d), that "Applicants should make every reasonable effort to avoid blocking the growth of systems that are likely to need additional capacity in the foreseeable future." (Note that the limit on the protection of future plans is generally considered to be 10 years).

To avoid any confusion, we believe that six-month renewals are necessary for continuing protection of all future construction plans, including new stations, new uses of frequency bands, new directions of transmission, and any equipment or service modifications which might have an effect on the interference/coordination environment.

One exception to this guideline may be made, and regular six-month renewals would not be necessary under the following condition:

1. The coordination protection requested involves additional (growth) channels in an existing system;
2. The growth channel parameters, with the obvious exception of channel frequency, are identical to at least one channel licensed and operating on the same path;
3. Absent reasonable justification for doing otherwise, each growth channel should be associated with a specific channel loading. (Note that if there are several licensed channels with multiple loadings, growth channels with different individual loadings may be protected, providing they are each assigned a particular loading.);
4. The coordinator desiring continuing protection (without regular six-month renewals) must have included the specific growth channels in the initial PCN and all subsequent notices;
5. Within six months prior to filing an FCC application to activate a growth channel, an advisory notification should be sent to all other affected coordinators; and
6. If a coordinator drops interest in a growth channel, an advisory notice should be promptly distributed to other affected coordinators.

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