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Digital Audio Radio Service Satellite System Application Acceptable for Filing Cut-off Established For Additional Applications

Comments: November 13, 1992

Replies and Oppositions: December 1, 1992

Responses: December 15, 1992

Applications Cut-off: December 15, 1992

The Commission has found, upon initial review, that the following application filed by Satellite CD Radio, Inc. (CD Radio) for authority to construct, launch and operate a digital audio radio service satellite system is acceptable for filing. The Commission reserves the right to return this application, however, if, upon further review, it is determined that it is defective or not in conformance with the Commission's rules, regulations and policies.

Satellite CD Radio, Inc.

File Nos. 49/50-DSS-P/LA-90 58/59-DSS-AMEND-90 44/45-DSS-AMEND-92

Application for authority to construct, launch and operate a digital audio radio service consisting of the following: two geostationary satellites, an undetermined number of complementary urban-area terrestrial repeaters to be implemented after 5 years, an earth station for feeder links and for telemetry, telecommand and control and numerous individual, fixed or mobile radio receivers. The system is intended to provide high rate digital information to subscribers including applications such as compact disc quality audio programming throughout the U.S. CD Radio proposes to uplink programming from will be downlinked to the individual receivers using the 2310-2360 MHz frequency bands. CD Radio proposes to offer its service on a non-common carrier, non-broadcasting basis, providing subscription or pay-per-listen services.

Comments or petitions regarding CD Radio's application may be filed on or before November 13, 1992. Replies and oppositions may be filed on or before December 1, 1992. Responses may be filed on or before December 15, 1992.

Interested parties wishing to file applications for U.S. domestic digital audio radio service satellite systems to operate in the downlink frequency band of 2310-2360 MHz to be considered concurrently with CD Radio's may do so on or before December 15, 1992. Each applicant must file a concrete, comprehensive proposal for its proposed system, describing in detail all pertinent technical and operational aspects of the system, the proposed services and its ability to proceed expeditiously with construction and launch, together with the appropriate application fees and the Fee Form 155. In particular, applicants shall provide all information specified in Appendix B of Space Station Filing Procedures, 48 Fed. Reg. 40256 (September 6, 1983) as appropriate. (See also 47 CFR 25.114) Applications that fail to comport with these requirements as of the cut-off date will be dismissed as unacceptable for filing. Applicants filing by the cut-off date will be afforded an opportunity to amend their applications, if necessary, to conform with any requirements and policies that may be adopted for digital audio radio service satellite systems.

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