

Meeting Minutes
FCC WRC-07 Advisory Committee
IWG-4, Broadcasting and Amateur Issues
Law Offices of Shaw Pittman
2300 N St., N.W.
Washington, DC

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Meeting: First meeting of IWG-4

Date/Time: February 17, 2004, 9:30 AM

Location: Law Offices of Shaw Pittman, 2300 N St., N.W., Washington, DC

Committee Members present:

Ben Fisher, Chairman
Walt Ireland, Vice-Chair
Rockie Patterson, FCC Coordinator

Attendees: There were 7 attendees, including 4 FCC and 1 Government representatives. Unfortunately, many of the participants who would have normally attended this IWG were attending conflicting meetings in the US or international meetings in Geneva.

Scribe: Walt Ireland

Meeting Summary:

The Chair called the meeting to order at approximately 9:40 AM and welcomed the group, and had the attendees introduced themselves and the organization(s) they represented.

- Agenda: The agenda was approved without objection.
- Terms of Reference: A review of the Terms of Reference pointed out that the WRC-07 Agenda Item 7.1 that reference to Rec.952 was not valid, and that the correct reference should be Rec.723 (WRC-03). With this change the **Terms of Reference** were approved.
- IWG Operating Procedures: Walt Ireland gave a brief presentation on the procedure for preparing Preliminary Views and Draft Proposals and the need for consensus before being forwarded to the WRC Advisory Committee.
- IWG-4 Agenda Items: The 7 WRC-07 Agenda Items assigned to IWG-4 were briefly discussed. Specifically;

- AI 1.6: Concerns additional allocations for the aeronautical mobile (R) service in the bands between 108 and 6 GHz. There was discussion of the concern for protection of the commercial FM band.
- A.I. 1.11: Concerns non-geo broadcast service sound (BSS) transmitting to Earth and the necessary pfd levels to protect terrestrial services operating in the band 620 MHz to 790 MHz.
- A.I. 1.13: Reference Res.544, to review allocations in the 4 MHz to 10 MHz to identify potential additional bands for the broadcasting service.
- A.I. 1.15: To consider a secondary allocation to the amateur service in the frequency band 135.7 kHz to 137.8 kHz. Mr. Ireland said that ARRL will most likely prepare the Preliminary View for this item.
- A.I. 4: Mr. Larry Reed, FCC, provided lists of all ITU-R Resolutions and Recommendation for review for suppression, modification or no-change. Ireland said that he would extract those related to IWG-4 for the next IWG-4 meeting in order to reduce confusion.
- A.I. 7.1: In accordance with Rec.723, IWG-4 will review for comment or recommend approval of the Dir. BR's Report on Electronic News Gathering (ENG).
- A.I. 7.32: To recommend to the Council, through the appropriate US procedure, agenda items for the next WRC.

Other Business:

- Ireland stated that the amateurs (ARRL) may consider a Preliminary View under A.I. 1.13, the fact that there remained a need for 100 kHz in the band 7 200-7 300 in Regions 1 and 3 in order to make 7 000-7 300 a worldwide allocation for the amateur service. Region 2 currently is allocated 7 00-7 300 kHz.
- There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:30 AM.

Next meeting: 15 April 2004, 9:30 AM, at the Law Offices of Shaw Pittman, 2300 N St., N.W., Washington, DC

Attachments:

- Agenda, 17 February 2004
- Doc.IWG-4/1 (02.17.2004), IWG-4 Terms of Reference
- Doc.IWG-4/11 (02.17.2004, List of attendees
- Doc.IWG-4/2(R.1) (02.17.2004), List of documents

This meeting was announced for attendance by the general public interested in the WRC-07 Agenda Items assigned to IWG-4 for participation.

Reference. FCC web site for WAC/IWG meeting schedules and documentation may be found at, www.fcc.gov/wrc-07.