

**NATURE AND EDUCATIONAL PURPOSES OF APPLICANT**

**Non-Profit and Educational Nature**

It is the intent of the applicant to operate the proposed station in a manner consistent of Subpart G of Part 73 of the Commission's Rules.

The applicant is a non-profit Catholic school, a "corporal work of mercy", which opened on September 5, 1945 and has been in continuous operation since that time. When it opened, its school building was located on Residence Avenue in Albany, Georgia; in September, 1952 it relocated to its present campus at 417 Edgewood Lane, Albany, Georgia, at NAD27 coordinates 31° 34' 59" north latitude and 84° 11' 17" west longitude. The proposed transmitter and antenna location for our proposed low power FM station would be on St. Teresa's property adjacent to our school at NAD27 coordinates 31° 35' 0.3" north latitude and 84° 11' 21.4" west longitude.

As we understand Section 73.853 of the FCC's Rules and Regulations, since the applicant's headquarters have been located within 20 miles of the proposed antenna location for more than the past two years, the applicant qualifies as an "established local applicant" for purposes of the so-called point system.

It is our understanding that Georgia law permits and recognizes unincorporated associations. It is requested that our application therefore be treated as a non-profit unincorporated association.

In *Columbia Bible College Broadcasting Co.*, 6 FCC Rcd 516 (1991), at paragraphs 9 and 10, the Commission stated that religiously-oriented applicants can meet the eligibility standards set forth in Section 73.503 of the Commission's Rules, where the applicant (1) proposes an overall educational program and (2) its proposed programming furthers its educational objectives.

The applicant engages in teaching children a general course of studies, including daily classes on the Roman Catholic religion and its theology and truths. We will use the proposed LPFM station to present an overall educational program, with programs from nationally recognized Catholic educational broadcasters such as the EWTN Global Catholic Radio Network of Irondale, Alabama, in addition to locally produced programs related to our organization's activities and educational outreach. Our programming will further the educational objectives of our organization, which is the only Catholic school in a city with a 2010 Census population of 77,434.

#### **Furtherance of Educational Objectives**

The applicant is eligible pursuant to Section 73.503 to be a non-commercial licensee of the station covered by this application, because the applicant proposes programming which constitutes an overall educational program and the programming furthers the organization's educational objectives. In this case, the applicant intends to broadcast programs to further its educational purposes as outlined above. A central purpose of the applicant is to teach the Roman Catholic point of view about various issues, and the programs to be aired on the station will be in furtherance of that purpose.

Although the exact titles and subject matter of the programs will be determined at the time the proposed station is constructed and ready for operation, we can state that the

selection of all programs to air on our proposed station will be consistent with and guided by the foregoing mission statement.

The proposed low power FM station will also work with the local Roman Catholic parish, its catechism program and overall religious education apostolate to assist their educational efforts with respect to teaching of the Catholic religion.

In sum, it is our objective to use the proposed radio station to provide a valuable educational resource for the residents of the Albany, Georgia area that we propose to serve.