

ordinarily published in the FCC reports and are available at the Information Office. Publication of rules and rulemaking documents in the Federal Register occurs within 7-10 days after their adoption. Important final rulemaking documents are published in the FCC Weekly Reports, available from the Government Printing Office. In addition, all rulemaking dockets (containing all documents issued by the Commission, pleadings and correspondence pertaining to each rule-making proceeding) are available for public inspection at the Commission's public reference room.

(a) Descriptions of the central and field organization are published in detail in subpart A of part O of the Commission's rules and in outline in the Commission's annual reports. General descriptions are also available in the U.S. Government Organization Manual published by the Government Printing Office. Delegations of authority are contained in subpart B and the places at which and the methods whereby the public may secure information or make submittals for requests are stated in subpart C of part O of the rules. Some instructions given in connection with this delegation, such as the delegation involving general processing of applications, are contained in notations to the minutes and are not made public. We are reviewing the matter to consider whether such notational material should also be made public. Any action taken by the Commission in this respect will be immediately brought to the attention of the subcommittee.

(b) Statements of the general course and method by which the Commission's functions are channeled and determined are contained in part 1, Rules of Practice and Procedure (and, to some extent, pt. O). A very brief outline of Commission functions, procedures, and organization is contained in an informational bulletin, "An ABC of the FCC," available through the Commission's Office of Reports and Information.

(c) Substantive rules are published and otherwise made available as indicated above.

(d) Statements of general policy or interpretations formulated and adopted by the agency for the guidance of the public are published in the Federal Register, generally in the form of a public notice. They are also available when issued from the Office of Reports and Information. Many such statements are also printed in the official reports of the Commission and in Pike and Fischer, "Radio Regulation." They are not ordinarily codified or published as a part of the rules and regulations. Whenever it is considered useful to do so, however, they are included with the rules (see, e.g., app. B to pt. 1, 47 CFR pt. 1, app. B). In common carrier cases, general policy interpretations often appear in the memorandum opinions and orders or Commission decisions in such matters.

(e) Ordinarily the Commission does not publish rules addressed to and served upon named persons.

3. Please describe the manner in which your agency publishes, or, in accordance with published rule, makes available to public inspection, all final and interim opinions or orders in the adjudication of cases, pursuant to section 3(b) of the Administrative Procedure Act or other authority.

When an application is received, an application file is established. All orders and opinions pertaining to the application are placed in that file, which is available for public inspection. Public notices listing applications ready and available for processing are published in the Federal Register. In the case of broadcast applicants, notice of the filing of the application, as well as notice of any designation of the application for hearing must be given by the applicant in the local community pursuant to section 311 of the Communications Act and sections 7,580 and 1,594 of the Commission's rules. Orders issued after designation and prior to hearing and some orders issued prior to designation are published in the Federal Register.

Upon designation of an application for hearing (or in any other hearing matter) a docket file is established, in which all orders, opinions, and other papers pertaining to the hearing proceedings are filed. This file also is available for public inspection. The texts of orders and opinions in adjudicatory hearing proceedings are made available by the Commission but are published in the Federal Register only if they have general applicability or legal effect—i.e., if they may affect persons other than parties of record. Copies of all orders and opinions are mailed to counsel for parties.

In matters of adjudication, final decisions of the Commission and of the review board, initial decisions which become final, and significant reports and memorandum opinions are published weekly in pamphlet form, and semiannually