

To Be on Channel 9—

Greenlight for UA TV Station

COLLEGE — Permission to construct television station KUAC-TV came last week from the Federal Communications Commission. The permit authorizes the University of Alaska to construct a new television station at College on channel 9.

The University had filed an application with the FCC last October to build a new TV station to serve the Fairbanks area.

Approval by the Federal Communications Commission followed a \$425,000 equipment grant three weeks ago from the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. The University is seeking bids for equipment and hopes to have the station on the air by September.

The coverage area of channel 9 will be similar to the coverage areas of KFAR-TV (channel 2) and KTVF (channel 11). Programs, however, will be different. Local programs emphasizing Alaskan subjects will be produced in the new studios in the Fine Arts Complex on the College campus.

The new station will be af-

filiated with the Public Broadcasting System (PBS) and will receive a full schedule of informative and cultural programs from that network.

The station plans to broadcast most of its network and local programs in color. Network programs will arrive in color

video-tape. Local programs emphasizing Alaskan subjects will be produced in full color using the station's color film "chain" and two color studio cameras.

KUAC-TV, incidentally, will be the first television station in Alaska to have a pair of color studio cameras.