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MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES EFFECTIVE DATE OF RULES TO ASSURE REASONABLE FRANCHISE APPLICATION REVIEW FOR NEW VIDEO MARKET ENTRANTS

MB Docket No. 05-311

On March 5, 2007, the Commission released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“*Order*”) in this proceeding, adopting rules to ensure that local franchising authorities do not unreasonably refuse to award competitive franchises for the provision of cable services.¹ In the *Order*, the Commission stated that certain rules that contained information collection requirements subject to the Paperwork Reduction Act would be submitted to the Office of Management and Budget for review.² The Commission ordered that the rules containing information collection requirements would be effective immediately upon announcement in the Federal Register of OMB approval.³

An announcement of OMB approval was published in the Federal Register today, August 6, 2007.⁴ Accordingly, rules adopted in the *Order* that contained information collection requirements are effective immediately.

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¹ *Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992*, 22 FCC Rcd 5101 (2007).

² *Id.* at 5167.

³ *Id.* at 5168.

⁴ 72 FR 43560 (August 6, 2007).