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**MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES  
FOR THE “ANALOG NIGHTLIGHT” NPRM: JANUARY 5 AND JANUARY 8, 2009  
MB DOCKET NO. 08-255**

On December 24, 2008, the Commission adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking<sup>1</sup> to implement the recently enacted Short-term Analog Flash and Emergency Readiness Act (“Analog Nightlight Act”)<sup>2</sup>. The Commission sought comment on the Commission’s proposed procedures for full-power TV stations to broadcast public safety and digital transition information on analog signals for 30 days after the February 17, 2009 DTV transition date. The *Analog Nightlight NPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at five (5) and eight (8) days, respectively, after publication of the *NPRM* in the Federal Register.<sup>3</sup>

On December 31, 2008, the *Analog Nightlight NPRM* was published in the Federal Register.<sup>4</sup> Accordingly, comments must be filed on or before January 5, 2009 and reply comments must be filed on or before January 8, 2009. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraphs 36 to 41 of the *Analog Nightlight NPRM*.<sup>5</sup> The *Analog Nightlight NPRM* is also available on the Commission’s website.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *Implementation of Short-term Analog Flash and Emergency Readiness Act; Establishment of DTV Transition “Analog Nightlight” Program*, MB Docket No. 08-255, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 08-281 (rel. Dec. 24, 2008) (“*Analog Nightlight NPRM*”).

<sup>2</sup> See Short-term Analog Flash and Emergency Readiness Act (“Analog Nightlight Act”), Pub. L. No. 110-459, 122 Stat. 5121 (2008). The bill, S. 3663, was signed into law on December 23, 2008.

<sup>3</sup> See *Analog Nightlight NPRM*, *supra* note 1.

<sup>4</sup> See 73 Fed. Reg. 80332-01 (Dec. 31, 2008).

<sup>5</sup> *Analog Nightlight NPRM* at ¶¶ 36-41. The Notice also encouraged stations to review Appendix A, the preliminary list of eligible stations, and notify the Commission during the comment cycle if they intend to participate in the Analog Nightlight program. See *Analog Nightlight NPRM* at ¶ 19. To ensure that these notifications are properly recorded, stations should also file a Legal Special Temporary Authority (“STA”) electronically through the Commission’s Consolidated Database System (“CDBS”) using the Informal Application filing form. In addition, broadcasters whose stations are not listed in Appendix A that believe they are eligible to participate in the Analog Nightlight program may file comments demonstrating their eligibility and also file a notification through the Engineering STA process. See *Analog Nightlight NPRM* at ¶ 20. For more information on Informal Filings in CDBS, please refer to: [http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/prod/cdbforms/prod/faq\\_informal.htm](http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/prod/cdbforms/prod/faq_informal.htm).

<sup>6</sup> See [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-08-281A1.doc](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-08-281A1.doc).

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