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Media Bureau Announces Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Matter of Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures Published in Federal Register Today

Comment Date: July 13, 2009

Reply Comment Date: August 11, 2009

On April 7, 2009, the Commission adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in *the Matter of Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures*.¹ The *Rural Radio NPRM* was released April 20, 2009. The Commission sought comment on a number of proposals designed to promote radio service in rural and tribal areas, and to streamline or clarify certain assignment and allotment procedures. The *Rural Radio NPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 60 and 90 days, respectively, after publication of the *Rural Radio NPRM* in the Federal Register.²

By this *Public Notice*, the Media Bureau announces that the *Rural Radio NPRM* was published in the Federal Register on May 13, 2009.³ Comments must be submitted no later than Monday, July 13, 2009. Reply Comments must be submitted no later than Tuesday, August 11, 2009. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraphs 52 to 55 of the *Rural Radio NPRM*.⁴ The *Rural Radio NPRM* is also available on the Commission's website.⁵

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¹ MB Docket No. 09-52, Notice of Proposed Rule Making, FCC 09-30 (rel. Apr. 20, 2009) ("*Rural Radio NPRM*").

² See *Rural Radio NPRM*, *supra* note 1.

³ *Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures*, 74 Fed. Reg. 22498 (May 13, 2009).

⁴ *Rural Radio NPRM* at ¶¶ 52-55.

⁵ See http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-09-30A1.doc.