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**Media Bureau Announces *First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making in the Matter of Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures* Published in Federal Register March 4, 2010**

**Further NPRM Comment Date: May 3, 2010**

**Further NPRM Reply Comment Date: June 2, 2010**

On January 28, 2010, the Commission adopted a First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the *Matter of Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures*.<sup>1</sup> The *Rural Radio First R&O* was released February 3, 2010. In the Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making, the Commission sought comment, first, on whether, and how, it should establish an auction bidding credit for federally recognized Native American Tribes and Alaska Native Villages (“Tribes”). Second, the Commission sought comment on whether, and how, to extend the Tribal Priority adopted in the *Rural Radio First R&O* to Tribes without tribal lands. The Commission set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 60 and 90 days, respectively, after publication of the *Rural Radio First R&O* in the Federal Register.<sup>2</sup>

By this *Public Notice*, the Media Bureau announces that the *Rural Radio First R&O* was published in the Federal Register on March 4, 2010.<sup>3</sup> Comments must be submitted no later than Monday, May 3, 2010. Reply Comments must be submitted no later than Wednesday, June 2, 2010. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraphs 75 to 78 of the *Rural Radio First R&O*.<sup>4</sup> The *Rural Radio First R&O* is also available on the Commission’s website.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> MB Docket No. 09-52, First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making, FCC 10-24 (rel. Feb. 3, 2010) (“*Rural Radio First R&O*”). Although the First Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making are part of the same Commission document, they are published separately in the Federal Register. See *infra* note 3.

<sup>2</sup> See *Rural Radio First R&O* at 1, 36 ¶¶ 75.

<sup>3</sup> *Policies to Promote Rural Radio Service and to Streamline Allotment and Assignment Procedures*, 75 Fed. Reg. 9797 (Mar. 4, 2010) (First Report and Order), 75 Fed. Reg. 9856 (Mar. 4, 2010) (Further Notice of Proposed Rule Making).

<sup>4</sup> *Rural Radio First R&O* at 36 ¶¶ 75-78.

<sup>5</sup> See [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-10-24A1.doc](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-10-24A1.doc) (Word), [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-10-24A1.pdf](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-10-24A1.pdf) (Acrobat).

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