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MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DEADLINES FOR THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING REGARDING REVISION OF THE COMMISSION'S PROGRAM CARRIAGE RULES

MB DOCKET NO. 11-131

NPRM Comment Deadline: November 28, 2011 NPRM Reply Comment Deadline: December 28, 2011

On August 1, 2011, the Commission adopted and released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the Matter of *Revision of the Commission's Program Carriage Rules* (the "*Program Carriage NPRM*"). In the *Program Carriage NPRM*, the Commission seeks comment on proposed revisions to or clarifications of the program carriage rules, which are intended to improve the Commission's procedures and to advance the goals of the program carriage statute. The Commission set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 60 and 90 days, respectively, after publication of the *Program Carriage NPRM* in the *Federal Register*.²

By this *Public Notice*, the Media Bureau announces that the *Program Carriage NPRM* was published in the *Federal Register* today, September 29, 2011.³ Comments must be submitted no later than November 28, 2011. Reply Comments must be submitted no later than December 28, 2011. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraph 88 of the *Program Carriage NPRM*.⁴ The *Program Carriage NPRM* is also available on the Commission's website.⁵

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¹ See Revision of the Commission's Program Carriage Rules, MB Docket No. 11-131, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-119 (rel. Aug. 1, 2011).

² See Program Carriage NPRM at 1.

³ See Revision of the Commission's Program Carriage Rules, 76 Fed. Reg. 60675 (Sept. 29, 2011).

⁴ See Program Carriage NPRM at ¶ 88.

⁵ See http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs public/attachmatch/FCC-11-119A1.doc (Word), http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs public/attachmatch/FCC-11-119A1.doc (Word), http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs public/attachmatch/FCC-11-119A1.doc (Word), http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs