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REQUEST FOR COMMENT REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM COMMISSION'S CLOSED CAPTIONING RULES

CG Docket No. 06-181

Several entities have filed petitions for exemption from the closed captioning requirements, pursuant to Section 79.1 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1, for the television programs they produce.¹ Petitioners claim that compliance would be "economically burdensome," as defined in Section 79.1(f) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1(f).

Comments and oppositions are due within 30 days from the date of this public notice. The case identifier and CG Docket Number 06-181 must be placed on all filings. Comments and oppositions sent via e-mail to the Commission will be considered informal and are not part of the official record.

Filing Instructions

An original and two (2) copies of all comments, oppositions, and replies must be filed with the Commission.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, commercial overnight courier, or by first class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail). All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Attn: CGB Room 3-C438.

* <u>Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings</u> must be delivered to: Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of <u>before</u> entering the building.

* <u>Commercial overnight courier mail</u> (other than U.S. Postal Service, Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Attention: Disability Rights Office, Room 3-B431, 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.

* <u>U.S. Postal Service mail</u> (including first-class, Express, and Priority Mail) should be addressed to: Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Attention: Disability Rights Office, Room 3-B431, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554.

¹ The names of the Petitioners are set forth in Attachment A.

All comments and oppositions must be served on the petitioner. In addition, comments and oppositions filed must indicate that they have been served on the petitioner.

An original and two (2) copies of the petitioner's reply to the comments in the record are due 20 days after the comment deadline. Electronic filing is not available at this time. In addition, replies to comments or oppositions shall be served on the commenting or opposing party and shall include a certification that the commenter was served with a copy.

All comments, oppositions, and replies must contain a detailed, full showing, supported by affidavit or signed under penalty of perjury, of any facts or considerations relied on.

The petitions, comments, oppositions and replies will be available for public inspection in the Commission's Reference Information Center:

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The petitions, public notice, and decisions (when issued) can also be found at http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/economically-burdensome-exemption-closed-captioning-requirements.

To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY). This *Public Notice* can also be downloaded in Word and Portable Document Format at <u>http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/economically-burdensome-exemption-closed-captioning-requirements</u>.

Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Contact: Perlesta Hollingsworth (202) 418-7383; email <u>Perlesta.Hollingsworth@fcc.gov</u> or Suzy Rosen Singleton (202) 810-1503; email <u>Suzanne.Singleton@fcc.gov</u>.

ATTACHMENT A

Case Identifier	Petitioner/Program Name	Address
CGB-CC-0001	Curtis Baptist Church	1326 Broad Street
	_	Augusta, GA 30901
CGB-CC-0024	Gerald Bryant TV	c/o Robinson Curley & Clayton, P.C.
		300 South Wacker Drive, Ste. 1700
		Chicago, IL 60606
CGB-CC-0143	First Lutheran Church	301 West Clark
		Albert Lea, MN 56007
CGB-CC-0144	Dawson Memorial Baptist Church	1114 Oxmoor Road
	_	Birmingham, AL 35209
CGB-CC-0287	Gray Publishing, Inc.	35555 Kenai Spur Highway, PMB 232
		Soldotna, AK 99669
CGB-CC-0303	First Baptist Church	701 South Main Street
		Jonesboro, AR 72401

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