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Deadline Extended for Comment on SSR Communications, Inc.’s Petition for Rulemaking to Amend the Commission’s Rules Governing FM Broadcast Stations

RM 11727

Extended Comment Deadline: September 18, 2014
Extended Reply Comment Deadline: October 3, 2014

1. By this Public Notice, the Media Bureau extends the deadline for filing comments and reply comments in the above-captioned proceeding. On January 22, 2013, SSR Communications, Inc. (“SSR”) filed a Petition for Rulemaking to create a new Zone II FM broadcast station class, or “C4” allocation, and amend certain technical rules for the FM broadcast service.¹ The Commission released a public notice establishing a 30- day deadline for filing statements supporting or opposing the SSR Petition, with statements due August 18, 2014.² On July 23, 2014, REC Networks (“REC”) requested an extension of this deadline based on its attendance at the “Grassroots Radio Conference” and resultant conflict with the deadline date.³ REC explained that, as the proceeding could substantially impact many of the LPFM and community-based noncommercial FM radio service stakeholders attending this Conference, an extension of the deadline would facilitate the development of “a complete record...[and] would be in the best interest of this proceeding and therefore, in the public interest.”⁴ We grant REC’s extension request.

2. As set forth in Section 1.46(a) of the Commission’s Rules,⁵ the Commission’s policy is that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted. Given the broad scope of the SSR Petition and the pending comment deadline, we believe that granting the REC extension request would facilitate development of a full record. Accordingly, we extend the deadline for filing statements in support of or in opposition to the SSR Petition by one month, until September 18, 2014. We also extend the deadline for filing replies to such statements until October 3, 2014.

3. For additional information on this proceeding, contact James Bradshaw, James.Bradshaw@fcc.gov or Raphael Sznajder, Raphael.Sznajder@fcc.gov, of the Media Bureau, Audio Division, (202) 418-2700. Press contact: Janice Wise, (202) 418-8165.

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¹ SSR Communications, Inc., Petition for Rulemaking (filed Jan. 22, 2013) (“SSR Petition”).

² Public Notice, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Reference Information Center Petition for Rulemaking Filed, Report No. 3007 (Jul. 18, 2014).

³ REC Networks, Motion for Extension of Time, RM 11727 (filed Jul. 23, 2014) at 1.

⁴ *Id.* at 1.

⁵ 47 C.F.R. § 1.46.