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MEDIA BUREAU EXTENDS THE FILING DATE FOR TIME-SHARES SUMBITTED IN RESPONSE TO THE JULY 9, 2014, PUBLIC NOTICE IDENTIFYING TENTATIVE SELECTEES IN 79 GROUPS OF MUTUALLY EXCLUSIVE APPLICATIONS

By this Public Notice the Media Bureau ("Bureau") announces it will accept all time-share agreements submitted by October 8, 2014, 6:00 p.m. EDT, that were filed in response to the July 9, 2014, Public Notice identifying tentative selectees in 79 groups of mutually exclusive ("MX") applications filed in the October 2013 low power FM window.¹

July Public Notice: The *July PN* identified tentative selectees in 79 MX groups. The Commission gave MX groups with multiple tentative selectees the option of proposing a time-share agreement to share the use of the frequency.² The Commission stated that the time-share proposals were to be submitted "within 90-days of the release of [the *July PN*]." As stated above, the *July PN* was released on July 9, 2014, which would have required time-share proposals to be due by October 7, 2014.

However, it has come to the Bureau's attention that the *July PN* caused confusion among some applicants. The *July PN* also established a deadline for MX applicants to file major amendments to remove technical conflicts among the MX applicants.⁴ The Commission stated: "Starting July 10, 2014, at 12:01 a.m. EDT, the first business day after the date of release of [the *July PN*], we open a 90-day period to permit the MX applicants ... to file major amendments.... This 90-day period for filing major change amendments ends October 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. EDT."⁵

Based on the deadline stated in the *July PN* for major amendments, some applicants believed that timeshare proposals were also due by October 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. EDT. To ensure fairness in the processing of time-share proposals, the Bureau will accept time-share agreements that were submitted by October 8, 2014, 6:00 p.m. EDT.⁶

¹ See FCC Names Tentative Selectees of Mutually Exclusive LPFM Applications, Public Notice, 29 FCC Rcd 8665 (MB 2014) ("July PN").

² *Id.* at 8670.

³ *Id*.

⁴ *Id.* at 8671.

⁵ *Id*.

⁶ The Bureau will also accept a time-share proposal that has been submitted by October 8, 2014, at 6:00 p.m. EDT, which has been signed by all the parties to the proposal and submitted by at least one party as an amendment to its application.

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