**DA 14-254**

**February 26, 2014**

**OFFICE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY EXTENDS COMMENT PERIOD FOR METHODOLOGY FOR PREDICTING POTENTIAL INTERFERENCE BETWEEN BROADCAST TELEVISION AND WIRELESS SERVICES**

**ET Docket No. 14-14**

**GN Docket No. 12-268**

**Comment Date: March 17, 2014**

On January 29, 2014, the Office of Engineering & Technology (“OET”) released a *Public Notice* in this docket seeking comment on a methodology for predicting potential interference between broadcast television and licensed wireless services. In a jointly filed “Motion for Extension of Time,” the National Association of Broadcasters (“NAB”), ABC Television Affiliates Association, CBS Television Network Affiliates Association, FBC Television Affiliates Association, NBC Television Affiliates, The Walt Disney Company, 21st Century Fox, Inc., NBCUniversal Media, LLC, CBS Corporation, Univision Television Group Inc., Association of Public Television Stations (“APTS”), and Public Broadcasting Service (“PBS”) ask pursuant to section 1.46 of the Commission’s Rules[[1]](#footnote-1) that the comment deadline be extended by 30 days from the original deadline of February 28, 2014.[[2]](#footnote-2) As described below, we grant in part the joint request to extend the comment filing deadline with regard to comments to the *Public Notice* of the inter-service interference methodology.

It is the Commission's policy under Section 1.46(a) that extensions of time are not routinely granted. In the instant case, however, we find that extending the comment period for remarks on the inter-service interference methodology and questions posed in the Public Notice will serve the public interest by allowing commenters additional time to review the technical contents of the PN and its appendix. Accordingly, we hereby extend the deadline for filing comments to March 17, 2014. This action is taken pursuant to authority found in Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, [47 U.S.C. § 154(i)](http://web2.westlaw.com/find/default.wl?mt=26&db=1000546&docname=47USCAS154&rp=%2ffind%2fdefault.wl&findtype=L&ordoc=2027521580&tc=-1&vr=2.0&fn=_top&sv=Split&tf=-1&referencepositiontype=T&pbc=C366CE7D&referenceposition=SP%3b17a3000024864&rs=WLW13.01), and in the Commission's rules, [47 C.F.R. §§ 0.31](http://web2.westlaw.com/find/default.wl?mt=26&db=1000547&docname=47CFRS0.131&rp=%2ffind%2fdefault.wl&findtype=L&ordoc=2027521580&tc=-1&vr=2.0&fn=_top&sv=Split&tf=-1&pbc=C366CE7D&rs=WLW13.01), [0.241](http://web2.westlaw.com/find/default.wl?mt=26&db=1000547&docname=47CFRS0.331&rp=%2ffind%2fdefault.wl&findtype=L&ordoc=2027521580&tc=-1&vr=2.0&fn=_top&sv=Split&tf=-1&pbc=C366CE7D&rs=WLW13.01), and [1.46](http://web2.westlaw.com/find/default.wl?mt=26&db=1000547&docname=47CFRS1.46&rp=%2ffind%2fdefault.wl&findtype=L&ordoc=2027521580&tc=-1&vr=2.0&fn=_top&sv=Split&tf=-1&pbc=C366CE7D&rs=WLW13.01).

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Action by the Chief, Office of Engineering & Technology.

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1. 47 C.F.R. § 1.46. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)
2. *See* “Motion for Extension of Time” dated February 20, 2014, jointly filed by National Association of Broadcasters (“NAB”), ABC Television Affiliates Association, CBS Television Network Affiliates Association, FBC Television Affiliates Association, NBC Television Affiliates, The Walt Disney Company, 21st Century Fox, Inc., NBCUniversal Media, LLC, CBS Corporation, Univision Television Group Inc., Association of Public Television Stations (“APTS”), and Public Broadcasting Service (“PBS”), as filed in ET Docket No. 14-14 (“NAB and the Broadcast Parties Comment Period Extension Request”). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)