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NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE DATE OF ACCESSIBLE EMERGENCY INFORMATION RULES AND EMERGENCY INFORMATION/VIDEO DESCRIPTION APPARATUS RULES REQUIRING OMB APPROVAL

MB Docket No. 12-107

On April 9, 2013, the Commission released the *Emergency Information Order*, which adopted rules requiring that emergency information provided in video programming be made accessible to individuals who are blind or visually impaired and that certain apparatus be capable of delivering video description and emergency information to those individuals.¹ Those rules became effective on June 24, 2013, except for the rules that require approval by the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”).² The information collection was submitted to OMB for review under 44 U.S.C. § 3507(d) and was approved by OMB on April 9, 2014.³ The Commission in the *Emergency Information Order* stated that these rules will become effective upon announcement in the *Federal Register* of OMB approval and an effective date of the rules.⁴ The Commission has published this notice in the *Federal Register*, announcing an effective date

¹ *Accessible Emergency Information, and Apparatus Requirements for Emergency Information and Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010; Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010*, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 28 FCC Rcd 4871 (2013) (“*Emergency Information Order*”).

² See Federal Communications Commission, 47 CFR Part 79, Accessible Emergency Information; Apparatus Requirements for Emergency Information and Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010, Final Rule, 78 FR 31770 (May 24, 2013). See also Public Notice, *Notice of Effective Date of New Emergency Information Rules and Emergency Information/Video Description Apparatus Rules and Announcement of Comment and Reply Comment Deadlines for Related Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, 28 FCC Rcd 7971 (2013). The rules that require OMB approval are Sections 79.105(a), 79.105(b)(3), and 79.105(b)(4), and revised Section 79.2(c).

³ See Notice of Office of Management and Budget Action for OMB Control No. 3060-0967 (approved Apr. 9, 2014), available at <http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/DownloadNOA?requestID=256372>.

⁴ *Emergency Information Order*, 28 FCC Rcd at 4932, ¶ 97.

of April 16, 2014.⁵ Accordingly, the rules that required OMB approval took effect on April 16, 2014.

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⁵ See Federal Communications Commission, 47 CFR Part 79, Accessible Emergency Information, and Apparatus Requirements for Emergency Information and Video Description: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010, Final Rule; Announcement of Effective Date, 79 FR 21399 (Apr. 16, 2014).