

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
)
Promoting Innovation and Competition in the) MB Docket No. 14-261
Provision of Multichannel Video Programming)
Distribution Services)

ORDER

Adopted: March 11, 2015

Released: March 11, 2015

Extended Reply Comment Filing Deadline: April 1, 2015

By the Chief, Media Bureau:

1. On March 9, 2015, the National Cable and Telecommunications Association (“NCTA”) filed a motion for extension of time to respond to the reply comments of the *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (“*NPRM*”) in the above-captioned proceeding. In the *NPRM*, the Commission sought comment on how to interpret the term “Multichannel Video Programming Distributor” and related issues.¹ The Commission set a deadline of March 18, 2015 for filing reply comments. NCTA asserts that the comments filed in response to this *NPRM* are “substantial” in breadth, containing over 800 pages from more than 40 parties addressing “numerous legal and policy questions.”² The Commission’s general policy is not to grant extensions of time routinely,³ but we find that given the large number of commenters and complex issues involved here, the public interest warrants an extension of the reply comment deadline. Although NCTA seeks a 30-day extension, we believe that a two-week extension will give the public enough time to respond to the comments filed in response to the *NPRM*.

2. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 154(i), and Sections 0.51, 0.283, and 1.46 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.51, 0.283, and 1.46, that the reply comment deadline is extended to April 1, 2015.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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¹ See *Promoting Innovation and Competition in the Provision of Multichannel Video Programming Distribution Services*, MB Docket No. 14-261, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 29 FCC Rcd 15995 (2014) (“*NPRM*”).

² NCTA Motion for Extension of Time at 1.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(a).