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**Comment and Reply Comment dates set
 for NPRM Addressing Cable Franchising Issues**

**MB Docket No. 05-311**

**Comment Deadline: November 14, 2018**

**Reply Comment Deadline: December 14, 2018**

 On September 25, 2018, the Commission released a *Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (*Second FNPRM*) to address two issues raised by a remand from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit in *Montgomery County, Md. et al. v. FCC* regarding how local franchising authorities may regulate cable operators.[[1]](#footnote-3) The Commission set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 and 60 days, respectively, after publication of the *Second FNPRM* in the Federal Register.[[2]](#footnote-4)

 A summary of the *Second FNPRM* was published in the Federal Register on October 15, 2018.[[3]](#footnote-5) Accordingly, comments will be due on or before November 14, 2018, and reply comments on or before December 14, 2018. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraph 36 of the *Second FNPRM*.[[4]](#footnote-6)

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1. *See Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992*, MB Docket No. 05-311, FCC 18-131, at 1 (rel. Sept. 25, 2018). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
2. *Id.* [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
3. 83 Fed. Reg. 51911 [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
4. *See Second FNPRM* at para. 36. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)