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ANNOUNCEMENT OF EFFECTIVE DATE FOR STREAMLINED REAUTHORIZATION PROCEDURES FOR ASSIGNED OR TRANSFERRED TELEVISION SATELLITE STATIONS MB Docket No. 18-63 MB Docket No. 17-105

Effective Date: May 15, 2019

On March 11, 2019, the Federal Communications Commission adopted in the above-referenced proceeding a Report and Order streamlining the Commission's procedures for reauthorizing television satellite stations when they are assigned or transferred.\(^1\) Assignment and transfer applicants may avail themselves of the streamlined procedures when there has been no material change in the underlying circumstances supporting the satellite station's existing authorization. To make a streamlined showing, applicants must: (1) certify that the underlying circumstances supporting the satellite's existing authorization have not materially changed, and (2) provide a copy of the most recent written Commission decision granting the existing satellite authorization.

The Commission ordered that the revisions to its rules be effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.² The rule amendments were published in the Federal Register on April 15, 2019.³ Accordingly, they will become effective on May 15, 2019.

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¹ Streamlined Reauthorization Procedures for Assigned or Transferred Television Satellite Stations, Modernization of Media Regulation Initiative, MB Docket Nos. 18-63, 17-105, Report and Order, FCC 19-17 (Mar. 12, 2019).

² The Commission stated that Federal Register publication would be preceded by approval by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) of non-substantive changes to the information collection requirements contained in the rulemaking. *Id.* at para. 22. OMB approved those changes on March 28, 2019 under OMB control number 3060-0031.

³ FCC, Streamlined Reauthorization Procedures for Assigned or Transferred Television Satellite Stations, Modernization of Media Regulation Initiative, 84 Fed. Reg. 15125 (Apr. 15, 2019).