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## OFFICE OF GENERAL COUNSEL REMINDS PARTIES THAT EXECUTIVE ORDER CLOSING COMMISSION ON DECEMBER 24 WILL EXTEND CERTAIN DEADLINES FALLING ON THAT DATE

On December 11, 2020, the President released an Executive Order providing for the closing of executive departments and agencies of the Federal Government on December 24, 2020.<sup>1</sup> Section 1.4(j) of the Commission's rules states that if a filing deadline falls on a holiday the document shall be filed on the next business day.<sup>2</sup> Pursuant to Section 1.4(j), all filing deadlines that would have occurred on Thursday, December 24, 2020, will instead occur on Monday, December 28, 2020.<sup>3</sup> Additionally, December 24 will not count in computing filing periods of less than seven days under Section 1.4(g) of the Commission's rules, since it will be a Commission holiday.<sup>4</sup>

Please direct all questions regarding this Public Notice to the Office of the Secretary, Geraldine Taylor at [Geraldine.Taylor@fcc.gov](mailto:Geraldine.Taylor@fcc.gov) (202) 418-0305.

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<sup>1</sup> Executive Order Providing for the Closing of Executive Departments and Agencies of the Federal Government on December 24, 2020, (rel. Dec. 11, 2020), at <https://www.whitehouse.gov/presidential-actions/executive-order-providing-closing-executive-departments-agencies-federal-government-december-24-2020/>

<sup>2</sup> 47 CFR § 1.4(j).

<sup>3</sup> For example, the Media Bureau released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in Sponsorship Identification Requirements for Foreign Government-Provided Programming, Public Notice, *Comment and Reply Comment Dates Set for Notice of Proposed Rulemaking Regarding Sponsorship Identification Requirements for Foreign Government-Provided Programming*, DA-20-1398 (rel. Nov. 24, 2020), which required that comments be submitted by Thursday, December 24, 2020. Pursuant to section 1.4(j) of the Commission's rules, the filing deadline for initial comments now falls on Monday, December 28, 2020.

<sup>4</sup> 47 CFR § 1.4(g).