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Media Bureau Announces Federal Register Publication of Report and Order in Amendments of Parts 73 and 74 to Improve the Low Power FM Radio Service Technical Rules

MB Docket Nos. 19-193, 17-105

On April 23, 2020, the Commission released a Report and Order in its proceeding to modernize and revise the technical rules for the Low Power FM (LPFM) service. The *Order* revises the LPFM technical rules in order to improve LPFM reception and increase flexibility in transmitter siting while maintaining interference protection and the core LPFM goals of diversity and localism.

By this *Public Notice*, the Media Bureau announces that the *Order* was published in the Federal Register on June 11, 2020² and, as the thirtieth day thereafter falls on a weekend, becomes effective on July 13, 2020, the next business day. The Bureau notes, however, that only the changes to sections 1.52, 73.807, 73.810, 73.825, 73.860, 73.871, 74.1201, 74.1263, 74.1283, and 74.1290 of the Commission's Rules, will become effective on July 13, 2020.³ Changes to the other rules adopted in the *Order*, specifically changes to sections 73.816, 73.850, and 73.870 of the Rules,⁴ which contain new or modified information collection requirements that require approval by the Office of Management and Budget under the Paperwork Reduction Act, will become effective on the date specified in a notice published at a later date in the Federal Register announcing such approval. The Media Bureau will release a Public Notice at that time announcing the effective date of the remaining rule changes.

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¹ Amendment of Parts 73 and 74 to Improve the Low Power FM Service Technical Rules, MB Docket Nos. 19-193, 17-105, Report and Order, FCC 20-53 (April 23, 2020) (Order).

² Amendment of Parts 73 and 74 to Improve the Low Power FM Service Technical Rules; Modernization of Media Regulation Initiative, 85 Fed. Reg. 35567 (June 11, 2020).

³ 47 CFR §§ 1.52, 73.807, 73.810, 73.825, 73.860, 73.871, 74.1201, 74.1263, 74.1283, and 74.1290.

⁴ 47 CFR §§ 73.816, 73.850, and 73.870.