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## **UNIVERSAL LICENSING, TOWER CONSTRUCTION NOTIFICATION, E-106, AND ANTENNA STRUCTURE REGISTRATION SYSTEMS ARE AVAILABLE; BUREAUS PROVIDE ADDITIONAL GUIDANCE ON FILING DEADLINE EXTENSIONS**

The Federal Communications Commission's Universal Licensing System (ULS), Tower Construction Notification System (TCNS), E-106 System, and Antenna Structure Registration System (ASR) are now available.<sup>1</sup> These systems were unavailable from approximately 6:30 p.m. EDT on Friday, June 9, 2023 until approximately 9:00 a.m. EDT on Wednesday, June 21, 2023 due to technical issues. On June 13, 2023, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (the Bureaus) issued a public notice providing initial guidance regarding affected filings and review periods, as well as resources available for emergency authorization requests.<sup>2</sup> By this Public Notice, the Bureaus provide additional guidance regarding filing deadlines and review periods affected by the unavailability of these systems. This Public Notice supersedes the June 13 Public Notice to the extent that it is inconsistent with any deadlines or time periods set forth therein.

*Extension of Deadlines for Regulatory Filings in ULS and ASR:* Because parties could not make electronic filings or view the contents of the affected systems while they were unavailable, we are extending the deadlines for all regulatory filings that were due in the affected systems between June 9, 2023 and June 29, 2023 until Friday, June 30, 2023.<sup>3</sup> We note that we have provided for a longer extension for these filings than initially contemplated in the June 13 Public Notice in anticipation of high traffic volumes on these systems in the coming days. In that regard, we encourage filers to consider deferring discretionary filings this week, and we encourage filers preparing large submissions to coordinate in advance with staff of the Bureaus. We hereby waive the Commission's rules to the extent necessary to effectuate this extension. This Public Notice does not extend the deadlines for any comment or filing dates outside of the June 9 to June 29 time period. Requests for extension of time beyond the relief provided here will be considered consistent with the Commission's normal practice.

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<sup>1</sup> The query download feature in ULS and ASR, which is used to save the results of a search in a pipe-delimited text (\*.txt) file, remains unavailable. While the public may request a query download and will receive an email confirmation that their request has been received, they will not receive a second email containing a link to the query download results. The Commission will update the ULS and ASR websites when the query download feature is available.

<sup>2</sup> Universal Licensing, Tower Construction Notification, E-106, and Antenna Structure Registration Systems Unavailable; Filing Deadlines Extended, Public Notice, DA 23-506 (WTB PSHSB June 13, 2023) (*June 13 Public Notice*).

<sup>3</sup> ULS applications filed under the extended deadlines will be accepted as timely and applicants will not be required to include special information or attachments, seek waivers, or pay waiver fees.

*Resuming Paused Historic Preservation Review Periods:* For any review periods based on filings made in the TCNS and E-106 systems that were in progress during the period of unavailability, those review periods were paused, or tolled, while the systems were unavailable. Accordingly, review periods will resume as of June 21, 2023.

*Responsive Pleadings:* To the extent that due dates are extended by this Public Notice for filings to which reply or responsive pleadings are allowed, the actual filing date will trigger the timeframes established by the Commission's rules for reply or responsive pleadings.

*Statutory Filing Deadlines:* The Commission cannot waive statutory filing deadlines such as those associated with petitions for reconsideration. However, for the purpose of any statutory deadlines applicable to filings required to be made in the affected systems, we consider the Commission to be open for the filing of documents with statutory deadlines beginning on Friday, June 30, 2023, and filings due between June 9, 2023, and June 29, 2023 will be deemed timely filed if filed by June 30, 2023.

*Special Temporary Authority (STA):* All STAs that expire from June 9, 2023 through June 29, 2023 will now expire on June 30, 2023. All STA applicants should resume normal STA filing procedures as of the date of this Public Notice, which includes electronic filing in ULS for most STA applications and filing in the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) for market-based STAs only. Emergency STA requests that are unable to immediately be filed electronically can still be initially filed by telephone or email.

Pursuant to 47 CFR § 1.3, and their respective delegated authorities, this Public Notice is issued by the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau.

Applicants and licensees with questions may contact FCC Licensing Support via the web or phone at the contact information available on the following page:  
<https://www.fcc.gov/wireless/available-support-services>.

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