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## MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DEADLINES FOR THE LOCAL PROGRAMMING PRIORITY APPLICATION REVIEW NPRM

### MB Docket No. 24-14

**Comment Date: March 11, 2024**

**Reply Comment Date: April 8, 2024**

On January 17, 2024, the Commission released a *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)* proposing to prioritize processing review of certain applications filed by commercial and noncommercial radio and television broadcast stations that provide local journalism or other locally originated programming.<sup>1</sup> The Commission set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments in response to the *NPRM* at 30 and 60 days, respectively, after publication of the *NPRM* in the Federal Register.<sup>2</sup>

A summary of the *NPRM* was published in the Federal Register on February 8, 2024.<sup>3</sup> Accordingly, comments will be due on or before March 11, 2024, and reply comments on or before April 8, 2024. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraph 24 of the *NPRM*.<sup>4</sup> The *NPRM* is available on the Commission's website.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *Priority Application Review for Broadcast Stations that Provide Local Journalism or Other Locally Originated Programming*, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, MB Docket No. 24-14, FCC 24-1 (rel. Jan. 17, 2024).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 1.

<sup>3</sup> Federal Communications Commission, *Priority Application Review for Broadcast Stations that Provide Local Journalism or Other Locally Originated Programming*, Proposed Rule, 89 FR 8622 (Feb. 8, 2024).

<sup>4</sup> See *NPRM* at para. 24.

<sup>5</sup> See <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-1A1.docx> (Word); <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-1A1.pdf> (PDF).