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MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMPLIANCE DATE FOR CLOSED CAPTIONING DISPLAY SETTINGS REQUIREMENTS

Compliance is required by August 17, 2026

MB Docket No. 12-108

By this Public Notice, the Media Bureau announces the date by which manufacturers of covered apparatus and multichannel video programming distributors must comply with the requirement to make closed captioning display settings readily accessible to individuals who are deaf and hard of hearing.¹ On July 19, 2024, the Commission released an order adopting the new “readily accessible” requirement.² On August 15, 2024, the Bureau announced by Public Notice the effective date of the *Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order* and stated that the Bureau would publish a subsequent Public Notice to announce the compliance date.³

By the terms of the *Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order*, compliance with the “readily accessible” requirement, as codified in new section 79.103(e) of the Commission’s rules, is not “required until the Office of Management and Budget has completed its review of any information collection requirements that the Media Bureau determines is required under the Paperwork Reduction Act or two years after the date of publication in the *Federal Register*, whichever is later.”⁴ The Office of Management and Budget has completed its review of the rule’s requirements.⁵ The Bureau therefore announces that compliance with the “readily accessible” requirement, 47 CFR § 79.103(e), must be no later than August 17, 2026.⁶

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¹ Federal Communications Commission, *Accessibility of User Interfaces, and Video Programming Guides and Menus*, 89 Fed. Reg. 66268 (Aug. 15, 2024).

² *Accessibility of User Interfaces, and Video Programming Guides and Menus*, MB Docket No. 12-108, Third Report and Order, FCC 24-79 (rel. July 19, 2024) (*Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order*).

³ *Media Bureau Announces Publication of Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order*, Public Notice, DA 24-826 (MB 2024) (announcing Federal Register publication and the effective date of the *Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order*).

⁴ *Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order* at para. 59.

⁵ Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs (OIRA), OIRA Conclusion (Jan. 10, 2025), https://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=202411-3060-008.

⁶ *Closed Captioning Display Settings Report and Order* at para. 59.