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COMMENT DATES SET FOR *FIFTH FNPRM* *OF NEXT GEN TV PROCEEDING*

MB Docket No. 16-142

Comment Date: January 20, 2026
Reply Comment Date: February 18, 2026

On October 29, 2025, the Commission released a Fifth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (*FNPRM*) in the Next Generation Television (“Next Gen TV” or “ATSC 3.0”) proceeding.¹ By this Public Notice, we announce that today the Federal Register published a summary of the *FNPRM*.²

The *FNPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 60 and 90 days, respectively, after publication of the *FNPRM* in the Federal Register.³ Accordingly, comments must be submitted no later than January 20, 2026. Reply Comments must be submitted no later than February 18, 2026. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in the *FNPRM*.⁴

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¹ *Authorizing Permissive Use of the “Next Generation” Broadcast Television Standard*, GN Docket No. 16-142, Fifth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 25-72 (rel. Oct. 29, 2025) (*Fifth Next Gen TV FNPRM*). The *Fifth Next Gen TV FNPRM* seeks comment on proposed rule changes that would support and accelerate the nation’s ongoing market-based broadcast television transition to ATSC 3.0. It tentatively concludes that the Commission should eliminate the simulcasting requirement for stations that transition to 3.0, while continuing to permit simulcasting on a voluntary, simplified basis. It also seeks comment on a range of closely related issues and other matters touching on the Next Gen TV transition. The document is available on the Commission’s website at <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fifth-next-gen-tv-further-notice>.

² *Authorizing Permissive Use of the Next Generation Broadcast Television Standard*, Proposed Rule, 90 FR 52327 (Nov. 20, 2025).

³ *Fifth Next Gen TV FNPRM* at page 1.

⁴ *Id.* at para.77.