Federal Communications Commission

Before the Federal Communications Commission Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)
TeleScripps Cable Company) CUID No. KY0640) (Hardin County)
Complaint Regarding Cable Programming Services Tier)))

ORDER

Adopted: December 4, 1996

Released: December 6, 1996

By the Chief, Cable Services Bureau:

1. In this Order, we address a Motion for an Extension of Time filed by Comcast Cablevision of the South ("Comcast") on November 29, 1996.¹ Comcast requests additional time in which to file its petition for reconsideration of an order recently issued by the Cable Services Bureau.² As explained below, we grant Comcast's Motion.

2. Pursuant to Section 1.46 (b) of the Commission's rules concerning extensions of time,³ Comcast requests that we extend the deadline for filing its petition for reconsideration from December 9, 1996 to December 16, 1996. Comcast provides several grounds in support of its request. According to Comcast, it recently acquired TeleScripps Cable Company ("TeleScripps"). As a result, Comcast argues that it was not aware of the facts surrounding the resolution of the cable programming services tier complaint, the response filed by TeleScripps or discussions between the parties.

3. Although it is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted,⁴ we believe that the facts in this proceeding warrant granting Comcast's request. Specifically, Comcast recently acquired TeleScripps and did not participate in the complaint process which resulted in a refund liability. Therefore, we believe that extending the deadline

47 C.F.R. § 1.46.

¹ On November 13, 1996, Comcast Corporation acquired TeleScripps Cable Company.

² See In the Matter of TeleScripps Cable Company, DA No. 96-1843 (Cab. Ser. Bur., released November 7, 1996). In that Order, we determined that the cable programming services tier rate increase that TeleScripps Cable Company implemented on February 1, 1996 in Hardin County, Kentucky was unreasonable and we imposed refund liability.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 1.46 (b).

for filing Comcast's petition for reconsideration to December 16, 1996 is appropriate and serves the public interest.

4. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission's rules, that Comcast's Motion for An Extension of Time, IS GRANTED.

5. This action is taken pursuant to delegated authority under Section 0.321 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 0.321.

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