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Acting Chairwoman Mignon Clyburn Statement on FCC's Adoption of New Rules Making Digital Communications More Accessible to People With Disabilities

Washington, D.C. – Acting Chairwoman Clyburn has issued the following statement:

"For more than two years, the FCC has moved aggressively to implement every key component of the landmark Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010. I'm proud that, as a result of today's action, 25 million Americans who are blind or visually impaired will be able to navigate menus on a range of devices that show video programming, and an additional 36 million deaf and hard of hearing Americans will be able to activate closed captions easily. Once these rules take effect, people who are blind or visually impaired will be able to quickly find a news channel during an emergency or tune in to their favorite show as readily as sighted people."

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