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**DEADLINE EXTENDED FOR COMMENT ON MEDIACOM PETITION FOR RULEMAKING
TO AMEND THE COMMISSION'S RULES GOVERNING PRACTICES OF VIDEO
PROGRAMMING VENDORS**

RM 11728

Extended Comment Deadline: September 29, 2014
Extended Reply Comment Deadline: October 14, 2014

1. By this Public Notice, the Media Bureau extends the deadlines for filing comments and reply comments in the above-captioned proceeding. On July 21, 2014, Mediacom Communications Corporation ("Mediacom") filed a Petition for Rulemaking to Amend the Commission's Rules Governing Practices of Video Programming Vendors.¹ The Commission released a public notice establishing deadlines for filing comments on the Mediacom Petition, with comments due August 28, 2014, and reply comments due 15 days thereafter.² On August 1, 2014, the American Cable Association ("ACA") requested a one-month extension of the comment deadlines.³ ACA explained that it "requests this extension to ensure that it and other interested parties have time to fully develop the record in response to the Petition."⁴ According to ACA, the Mediacom Petition addresses "key areas of reform . . . that will require serious and careful study," and ACA is a small organization that is currently engaged in several other proceedings.⁵ We grant ACA's request.

2. As set forth in Section 1.46(a) of the Commission's Rules,⁶ the Commission's policy is that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted. Given the scope of the Mediacom Petition and the pending comment deadlines in other proceedings of interest to ACA and other parties, however, we believe that granting ACA's request is necessary to facilitate the development of a full record. Accordingly, we extend the deadline for filing statements in support of or in opposition to the Mediacom Petition by one month, until September 29, 2014. We also extend the deadline for filing replies to such statements until October 14, 2014.

¹ Mediacom Communications Corporation, Petition for Rulemaking to Amend the Commission's Rules Governing Practices of Video Programming Vendors (filed Jul. 21, 2014) ("Mediacom Petition").

² Public Notice, Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau Reference Information Center Petition for Rulemaking Filed, Report No. 3008 (Jul. 29, 2014).

³ American Cable Association, Motion for Extension of Time to File Comments, RM 11728 (filed Aug. 1, 2014).

⁴ *Id.* at 1.

⁵ *Id.* at 1-2.

⁶ 47 C.F.R. § 1.46.

3. For additional information on this proceeding, contact Diana Sokolow, Diana.Sokolow@fcc.gov, of the Media Bureau, Policy Division, (202) 418-2120. Press contact: Janice Wise, (202) 418-8165.

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