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Television Stations Reminded To Update Their FCC Form 387 - DTV Transition Status Report by July 18, 2008

In the *Third DTV Periodic Review Report and Order*, ¹ the Commission announced that all television stations must file a DTV Transition Status Report using FCC Form 387 on or before February 19, 2008. ² The Commission also stated that stations must update these forms **as events warrant** ³ and, by October 20, 2008, if they have not by that date reported the completion of their transition, *i.e.*, that they have begun operating their full facility as authorized by the post-transition DTV Table Appendix B. ⁴ By this Public Notice, the Media Bureau reminds television stations of their obligation to update their DTV Transition Status Reports.

The Commission stated that the Media Bureau must prepare a comprehensive summary report of the information provided in the Form 387 no later than August 18, 2008 (six months prior to the February 17, 2009 transition deadline). The report will enable the Commission to assess the progress toward completing the transition and to make any mid-transition adjustments in time for the February 17, 2009 deadline. So that the August 18, 2008 summary report contains the most current information on the state of the DTV transition, we ask that all television stations, if they have not already done so, update their DTV Transition Reports by **July 18, 2008.** Stations should report any significant changes to the information contained in their original DTV Transition Status Reports including a change in the station's (1) transition plans, (2) construction or operational status or (3) existing service (e.g., reduction or termination of analog or pre-transition digital service). In addition, stations should report if they have filed (1) an application for extension of time; (2) an application for digital construction permit; (3) a request to reduce or terminate analog or digital operations; and/or (4) a petition for rulemaking to change their post-transition DTV channel.

¹ Third Periodic Review of the Commission's Rules and Policies Affecting the Conversion to Digital Television, MB Docket No. 07-91, *Report and Order*, 23 FCC Rcd 2994, ¶34 (2007)(*Third DTV Periodic Review Report and Order*).

² The original filing deadline of February 18, 2008 was extended by one day because February 18, 2008 was a federal holiday. *See* "Third DTV Periodic Report and Order Published in Federal Register Today," *Public Notice*, 23 FCC Rcd 906 (MB 2007).

³ The Commission also reminded stations that they are responsible for the continuing accuracy and completeness of the information furnished in their form and that whenever that information is no longer substantially accurate and complete in all significant respects, the station must file an updated form as promptly as possible and in any event within 30 days to furnish such additional or corrected information as is appropriate. *See Third DTV Periodic Review Report and Order, supra* at ¶35 citing 47 C.F.R. § 1.65(a) and 47 U.S.C. § 308(b).

⁴ Third DTV Periodic Review Report and Order, supra at ¶35.

⁵ *Id*.

Stations must continue to file updates until construction of fully authorized post-transition facilities is complete and the station has begun operating its full post-transition DTV Table Appendix B facility. In addition, stations that have not completed construction of their post-transition facility and applied for a license to cover by October 20, 2008, must update their form to report their current status as of that date.

Form 387 may be updated electronically using the Commission's Consolidated Database System ("CDBS") Electronic Filing System via the Internet from the Media Bureau's Web site at: http://www.fcc.gov/mb/cdbs.html or http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/prod/cdbs/forms/prod/cdbs_ef.htm.

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