Federal Communications Commission

§ 76.41 Franchise application process.

(a) Definition. Competitive franchise applicant. For the purpose of this section, an applicant for a cable franchise in an area currently served by another cable operator or cable operators in accordance with 47 U.S.C. 541(a)(1).

(b) A competitive franchise applicant must include the following information in writing in its franchise application, in addition to any information required by applicable State and local laws:

1. The applicant’s name;
2. The names of the applicant’s officers and directors;
3. The business address of the applicant;
4. The name and contact information of a designated contact for the applicant;
5. A description of the geographic area that the applicant proposes to serve;
6. The PEG channel capacity and capital support proposed by the applicant.

§ 76.11 Lockbox enforcement.

Any party aggrieved by the failure or refusal of a cable operator to provide a lockbox as provided for in Title VI of the Communications Act may petition the Commission for relief in accordance with the provisions and procedures set forth in § 76.7 for petitions for special relief.

§ 76.29 Special temporary authority.

(a) In circumstances requiring the temporary use of community units for operations not authorized by the Commission’s rules, a cable television system may request special temporary authority to operate. The Commission may grant special temporary authority, upon a finding that the public interest would be served thereby, for a period not to exceed ninety (90) days, and may extend such authority, upon a like finding, for one additional period, not to exceed ninety (90) days.

(b) Requests for special temporary authority may be submitted informally, by letter, and shall contain the following:

1. Name and address of the applicant cable system.
2. Community in which the community unit is located.
3. Type of operation to be conducted.
4. Date of commencement of proposed operations.
5. Duration of time for which temporary authority is required.
6. All pertinent facts and considerations relied on to demonstrate the need for special temporary authority and to support a determination that a grant of such authority would serve the public interest.
7. A certificate of service on all interested parties.

(c) A request for special temporary authority shall be filed at least ten (10) days prior to the date of commencement of the proposed operations, or shall be accompanied by a statement of reasons for the delay in submitting such request.

(d) A grant of special temporary authority may be rescinded by the Commission at any time upon a finding of facts which warrant such action.


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