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Dated: December 3, 2010.

**Roland E. Smith,**  
*Secretary, Farm Credit Administration Board.*  
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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[MB Docket No. 10-238; DA 10-2227]

### Request for Comment for Report on In- State Broadcast Programming

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications  
 Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice; solicitation of  
 comments.

**SUMMARY:** This document solicits public  
 comments and data for use in  
 preparation of a report on in-state  
 broadcasting required by Section 304 of  
 the Satellite Television Extension and  
 Localism Act of 2010 (STELA). The  
 Commission is required by legislative  
 mandate to submit this report no later  
 than August 27, 2011.

**DATES:** Comments may be filed on or  
 before January 24, 2011, and reply  
 comments may be filed on or before  
 February 22, 2011.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications  
 Commission, 445 12th Street, SW.,  
 Washington, DC 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dan  
 Bring, Media Bureau (202) 418-2164,  
 TTY (202) 418-7172, or e-mail at  
[Danny.Bring@fcc.gov](mailto:Danny.Bring@fcc.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a  
 synopsis of the Commission's document  
 in MB Docket No. 10-238, DA-10-2227,  
 released November 23, 2010. The  
 complete text of the document is  
 available for inspection and copying  
 during normal business hours in the  
 FCC Reference Center, 445 12th Street,  
 SW., Washington, DC 20554, and may  
 also be purchased from the  
 Commission's copy contractor, BCPI,  
 Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW.,

### Synopsis

1. Section 304 of the Satellite  
 Television Extension and Localism Act  
 of 2010 (STELA) requires the  
 Commission to submit a report on in-  
 state broadcast programming to the  
 appropriate Congressional committees  
 no later than 18 months after its  
 enactment (*i.e.*, August 27, 2011).  
 Satellite Television Extension and  
 Localism Act of 2010, Title V of the  
 "American Workers, State, and Business  
 Relief Act of 2010," Public Law 111-  
 175, 124 Stat. 1218 (2010). By this  
 Public Notice, the Media Bureau  
 (Bureau) seeks comment for use in  
 preparation of the required report.

2. Specifically, Section 304 of STELA  
 states:

SEC. 304. REPORT ON IN-STATE  
 BROADCAST PROGRAMMING. Not later  
 than 18 months after the date of the  
 enactment of this Act, the Federal  
 Communications Commission shall submit to  
 the appropriate Congressional committees a  
 report containing an analysis of—

(1) The number of households in a State  
 that receive the signals of local broadcast  
 stations assigned to a community of license  
 that is located in a different State;

(2) the extent to which consumers in each  
 local market have access to in-state broadcast  
 programming over the air or from a  
 multichannel video programming distributor;  
 and

(3) whether there are alternatives to the use  
 of designated market areas, as defined in  
 section 122 of title 17, United States Code,  
 to define local markets that would provide  
 more consumers with in-state broadcast  
 programming.

3. To analyze the issues relating to the  
 availability of in-state broadcast stations  
 for consumers, the Bureau seeks  
 comment generally regarding the  
 appropriate methodologies, metrics,  
 data sources, and level of granularity we  
 should use for our report to Congress  
 required under Section 304. We also  
 seek comment regarding our  
 interpretation of and metrics  
 appropriate for each of the specific  
 subsections of Section 304. In addition,  
 the Bureau requests data for use in  
 preparation of the report.

4. *Section 304(1)*: Section 304(1)  
 requires the Commission to estimate the  
 number of households in a state that  
 receive the signals of local broadcast  
 stations assigned to a community of  
 license that is located in a different  
 state. The Bureau proposes to use OET  
 Bulletin No. 69 (OET 69) methodology  
 to estimate the number of households in  
 each broadcast television station's

service area. OET Bulletin 69, available  
 at [http://www.fcc.gov/oet/info/  
 documents/bulletins/#69](http://www.fcc.gov/oet/info/documents/bulletins/#69), provides  
 guidance on the use of the Longley-Rice  
 propagation model and U.S. Census  
 blocks to evaluate TV service coverage  
 and interference. The Bureau seeks  
 comment on the use of OET 69 and  
 which stations to include in the analysis  
 (*i.e.*, commercial, noncommercial  
 educational, Class A, translators,  
 satellite, and/or low-power).

5. *Section 304(2)*: Section 304(2)  
 requires the Commission to estimate the  
 extent to which consumers in each local  
 market have access to in-state broadcast  
 programming over-the-air or from a  
 multichannel video programming  
 distributor (MVPD). The Bureau  
 proposes that the term "consumers"  
 should be interpreted as households, the  
 term "local market" should be  
 interpreted as the designated market  
 area (DMA), and the term "access"  
 should refer to the ability to obtain a  
 television station's broadcast  
 programming. The Bureau seeks  
 comment on the interpretation of these  
 terms.

6. The Bureau seeks comment on  
 whether the intent of the Section 304(2)  
 analysis is to identify geographic areas  
 (*e.g.*, counties) and associated  
 populations within specific states that  
 have limited access to in-state broadcast  
 programming and whether analysis  
 based on DMAs will identify these  
 geographic areas and populations. The  
 Bureau also seeks comment on whether  
 other criteria should be considered,  
 such as network affiliation or whether  
 the stations offer local news. To  
 measure the "extent" to which  
 consumers in each local market have  
 access to in-state broadcast  
 programming, the Bureau intends to  
 collect, aggregate, and compare data  
 based on DMAs and counties and  
 requests data on a DMA and county  
 basis. Commenters also are invited to  
 suggest and provide data for other  
 geographic areas that would be  
 responsive to the directive of Section  
 304(2). Commenters are asked to submit  
 any other data that they believe will  
 assist the Commission in preparing the  
 report.

7. In addition, the Bureau seeks  
 comment on three possible approaches  
 for measuring the extent of access to in-  
 state broadcast programming, whereby  
 we would estimate the number of  
 households that have access to (1) a  
 specific number of in-state stations, (2)  
 some percentage of their broadcast  
 programming from in-state stations, or  
 (3) some percentage of the stations  
 licensed to communities in their state.  
 The Bureau asks commenting parties to

provide data associated with the approach recommended, or to direct the Commission to any outside data sources where such specific data may be available.

8. For the Section 304(2) analysis, the Bureau proposes to use the Longley-Rice methodology to estimate access to broadcast programming over-the-air and data from the Annual Report of Cable Television Systems, FCC Form 325, to estimate access to broadcast programming carried by some, but not all, cable systems. The Bureau requests that all MVPDs provide information on the broadcast stations they carry on their systems and whether they carry the same broadcast stations throughout the DMA, county or other geographic area. The Bureau seeks comment on the proposed sources of data for estimating over-the-air and MVPD access to broadcast programming and whether there are other sources of data that would provide more reliable estimates. The Bureau also seeks comment on the appropriate methodology for combining broadcast and MVPD data that may be collected from different sources using different geographic bases and the most appropriate way to aggregate data from broadcast, cable, DBS, and other MVPDs. Commenters are requested to provide relevant data or data sources associated with the methodology they recommend.

9. The Bureau seeks comment on whether and how to include information for the United States Virgin Islands, Puerto Rico, and Guam in this report. The Bureau also requests that MVPDs provide data to measure the extent of access to in-state broadcast programming in these three geographic areas.

10. *Section 304(3)*: Section 304(3) requires the Commission to consider alternatives to the use of DMAs to define local markets that would provide more consumers with in-state broadcast programming. DMAs are used in the planning and purchase of television advertising and are also referenced in FCC regulations regarding the carriage of broadcast television stations on cable and DBS systems and in the media ownership rules. As such, redefining local markets with alternative geographic areas would likely affect viewers, the advertising market, the number of stations carried by MVPDs, and ownership of stations. The Bureau seeks comment on alternatives to the use of DMAs and the effects of alternatives on viewers, advertising markets, number of stations carried by MVPDs, ownership of stations, network affiliation agreements, and areas of exclusivity.

### Procedural Matters

11. *Ex Parte Rules*. There are no ex parte or disclosure requirements applicable to this proceeding pursuant to 47 CFR 1.204(b)(1).

12. *Comment Information*. Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. Comments may be filed using: (1) The Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies.

*See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- **Electronic Filers:** Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/> or the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.

- **For ECFS filers,** if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions, filers should send an e-mail to [ecfs@fcc.gov](mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov), and include the following words in the body of the message "get form." A Sample form and directions will be sent in response.

- **Paper Filers:** Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

- **All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings** for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th St., SW., Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. The filing hours are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands

or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.

- **Commercial overnight mail** (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.

- **U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail** must be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW., Washington DC 20554.

- **People with Disabilities:** Contact the FCC to request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to [fcc504@fcc.gov](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (TTY).

Federal Communications Commission.

**Thomas Horan,**

*Chief of Staff, Media Bureau.*

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## FEDERAL ELECTION COMMISSION

### Sunshine Act Notices

**DATE AND TIME:** Thursday, December 2, 2010, at 10 a.m.

**PLACE:** 999 E Street, NW., Washington, DC (Ninth Floor).

**STATUS:** This meeting will be open to the public.

*The Following Items were Withdrawn from the Agenda:*

Proposed Final Audit Report on the Washington State Democratic Central Committee

Proposed Final Audit Report on the Tennessee Republican Party Federal Election Account

Individuals who plan to attend and require special assistance, such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations, should contact Shawn Woodhead Werth, Commission Secretary and Clerk, at (202) 694-1040, at least 72 hours prior to the hearing date.

**PERSON TO CONTACT FOR INFORMATION:** Judith Ingram, Press Officer, *Telephone:* (202) 694-1220.

**Shawn Woodhead Werth,**

*Secretary and Clerk of the Commission.*

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