

been approved by OMB and have not changed since that approval.

Federal Communications Commission.

Marlene H. Dortch,
Secretary.

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47 CFR Part 74

[FCC 14-150]

**Commission Suspends Expiration
Dates and Construction Deadlines for
New Digital Low Power Television and
TV Translator Stations**

AGENCY: Federal Communications
Commission.

ACTION: Final rule; suspension of
expiration dates.

SUMMARY: The Commission announced
that, effective immediately, it is
suspending the expiration dates and
construction deadlines for all
outstanding construction permits for

new digital low power television (LPTV)
and TV translator stations. The
Commission will decide on a new
construction deadline for these
permittees in the rulemaking proceeding
in MB Docket No. 03-185. Until a
decision is reached in the rulemaking
decision and the Commission can
determine the effect of the future
incentive auction and repacking,
permittees of new digital LPTV and TV
translator stations may delay completing
construction of their digital facilities.

DATES: The suspension became effective
on October 10, 2014.

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Effective
immediately, the expiration dates and
construction deadlines for all
outstanding unexpired construction
permits for new digital low power
television (LPTV) and TV translator
stations set forth in 47 CFR 74.788 are
hereby suspended pending final action
in the rulemaking proceeding in MB

Docket No. 03-185 initiated today by
the Commission. In a Third Notice of
Proposed Rulemaking released October
10, 2014 in MB Docket No. 03-185 (FCC
14-151) the Commission recognized
that the incentive auction and repacking
process will impact existing analog
LPTV and TV translator stations
transitioning to digital and, because of
this, it tentatively concluded to
postpone the September 1, 2015 digital
transition date. For similar reasons, the
Commission also tentatively concluded
to extend the construction deadlines of
permits for new digital LPTV and TV
translator stations and proposed that
these permits be subject to whatever
new transition date is adopted. This
proposed action would also have the
effect of treating these permittees
similarly to the permittees of
transitioning LPTV and TV translator
stations.

Federal Communications Commission.

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