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FCC PROPOSES TO UPDATE RULES APPLICABLE TO BROADCAST STATIONS

Proposals Reflect Current Application Processing Requirements, Codify and Harmonize Provisions, and Remove Outdated References.

WASHINGTON, December 11, 2024—The Federal Communications Commission today adopted a proposal to update broadcast radio and TV rules to better reflect current application filing and processing requirements, harmonize administrative and processing procedures across services, and remove references to outdated practices and legacy filing systems.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking also proposes to revise rules concerning the signing of applications and the filings of informal objections. Such action ensures that the Commission's rules are accurate and structurally efficient, thus reducing potential confusion among the public, applicants and licensees, and minimizing filing and processing burdens. This NPRM is a continuation of our efforts to update our broadcast radio and television rules.

Action by the Commission December 11, 2024 by Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FCC 24-126). Chairwoman Rosenworcel, Commissioners Carr, Starks, Simington, and Gomez approving. Chairwoman Rosenworcel issuing a separate statement.

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