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**Media Bureau and Office of Engineering and Technology Establish Schedule
for *Ex Parte* Meetings in Next Gen TV Proceeding
June 27-30, 2017 Set Aside for Meetings with Staff
GN Docket No. 16-142**

On February 24, 2017, the Commission released a *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM)* in GN Docket No. 16-142 (*Next Gen TV NPRM*) that seeks comment on a proposal to authorize television broadcasters to use the “Next Generation” broadcast television transmission standard.¹ Comments in response to the *Next Gen TV NPRM* were due on May 9, 2017, and reply comments are due June 8, 2017.²

As described in the *Next Gen TV NPRM*, this matter shall be treated as a “permit-but-disclose” proceeding in accordance with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules.³ Given the interest in this proceeding, we have determined that it would be efficient for Commission staff to set aside a specific period for *ex parte* meetings. Staff will be available for meetings with interested parties to discuss issues raised in comments and replies on Tuesday, June 27 through Friday, June 30, 2017, between 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM each day. To the extent interested parties have an unavoidable conflict such that they cannot meet on any of these dates, they may contact Bureau staff to discuss alternate arrangements. To schedule meetings pursuant to this Notice, please contact Evan Baranoff, Evan.Baranoff@fcc.gov, (202) 418-7142, or Brendan Murray, Brendan.Murray@fcc.gov, (202) 418-1573, of the Media Bureau, Policy Division.

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¹ See *Authorizing Permissive Use of the “Next Generation” Broadcast Television Standard*, GN Docket No. 16-142, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 32 FCC Rcd 1670 (2017).

² See *Comment Deadlines Set for Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on Next Generation Broadcast Television Transmission Standard*, GN Docket No. 16-142, Public Notice, 32 FCC Rcd 1851 (MB 2017).

³ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*