

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of

Rules and Policies to Promote New Entry	)	
And Ownership Diversity in the	)	MB Docket No. 17-289
Broadcasting Services	)	
	)	
To the Commission	)	

**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF PROCEDURAL DATES**

The Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council (“MMTC”), pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §1.46(b), respectfully requests that the dates for filing comments and reply comments in the above-referenced proceeding each be extended by 31 days. If this Motion is granted, the Comment date would be changed from Friday, March 9, 2018 to Monday, April 9, 2018, and the Reply Comment date would be changed from Monday, April 9, 2018 to Thursday, May 10, 2018.<sup>1</sup>

The Commission expects the Advisory Committee on Diversity and Digital Empowerment (“ACDDE”) to file Comments.<sup>2</sup> However, the ACDDE is not scheduled to meet until March 27, 2018, on which date the ACDDE is expected to consider a draft of the Comments.

The undersigned, as Rapporteur for the Broadcast Development Working Group of the ACDDE, is preparing the ACDDE’s draft Comments.

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<sup>1</sup> See *Rules and Policies to Promote New Entry And Ownership Diversity in the Broadcasting Services*, 83 Fed. Reg. 774-75 (January 8, 2018).

<sup>2</sup> See *2014 Quadrennial Regulatory Review – Review of the Commission’s Broadcast Ownership Rules and Other Rules Adopted Pursuant to Section 202 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, 32 FCC Rcd 9857, 9859 ¶125 and n. 358 (2017) (“*Incubator NPRM*”).

Since October 2017, the ACDDE's Broadcast Development Working Group, chaired by former Commissioner Henry M. Rivera, has been deliberating at length on the issues presented in the *Incubator NPRM*. Inasmuch as the *Incubator NPRM* sought answers to over 70 substantive questions, many of which are highly complex, it will not be possible for a complete and comprehensive set of Comments to be circulated to the ACDDE members for their review until March.

The ACDDE's Chair, Julia Johnson, has reviewed and supports this Motion.

WHEREFORE, it is respectfully requested that the Commission adjust the dates for Comments and Reply Comments responsive to the *Incubator NPRM* as requested above.

Respectfully submitted,

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