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In the Matter of: )  
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Implementation of the Satellite Home )  
Viewer Improvement Act of 1999 )  
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Retransmission Consent Issues )

CS Docket No. 99-363

MOTION FOR BRIEF EXTENSION OF TIME

The National Association of Broadcasters ("NAB") hereby respectfully requests that the Commission grant a two-day extension of time, until Friday, January 21, 2000, for the filing of reply comments in this proceeding. In support of this motion, the NAB states:

1. The Commission has received hundreds of pages of comments containing complex arguments from many parties. Many of these comments make detailed legal arguments that must be carefully analyzed and double-checked, as well as factual claims that must be reviewed and evaluated for possible rebuttal. Performing this work, and preparing reply comments that will be of maximum assistance to the Commission, is necessarily a time-consuming process.

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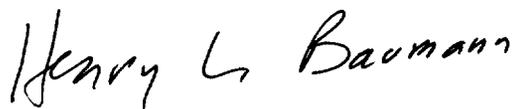
2. Because copies of these filings became available only during the day on Thursday – and more filings may still be posted on the Commission’s ECFS system – parties are only now able to begin reviewing and responding to them.

3. The federal Martin Luther King holiday is on Monday. As a result, there are effectively only two or two-and-a-half working days for parties to prepare reply comments after they have received copies of initial comments filed by other parties. This result was surely unintended, since the Commission set its schedule based on a (then unknown) date of publication in the Federal Register. The current schedule will have the effect of canceling the King holiday for all parties working on reply comments.

4. A two-day extension will not in any way materially delay the Commission’s resolution of this proceeding.

For the foregoing reasons, NAB respectfully requests that the Commission today (Friday, January 14) set the deadline for filing of replies in this matter at Friday, January 21, 2000.

Respectfully submitted,



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