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NOTICE OF EFFECTIVE DATE OF IP CLOSED CAPTIONING RULES REQUIRING OMB APPROVAL

MB Docket No. 11-154

On January 12, 2012, the Commission adopted the *IP Closed Captioning Order*, which adopted rules governing the closed captioning requirements for the owners, providers, and distributors of video programming delivered using Internet protocol (“IP”), as well as rules governing the closed captioning capabilities of certain apparatus on which consumers view video programming.¹ Those rules became effective on April 30, 2012, except for the rules that require approval by the Office of Management and Budget (“OMB”).² The information collection was submitted to OMB for review under 47 U.S.C. § 3507(d) and was approved by OMB on July 24, 2012.³ The Commission in the *IP Closed Captioning Order* stated that these rules will become effective after the Commission publishes a notice in the *Federal Register* announcing OMB approval and the relevant effective date.⁴ The Commission has published this notice in the *Federal Register*, announcing an effective date of today, August 6, 2012.⁵ Accordingly, the rules that required OMB approval took effect on August 6, 2012.

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¹ *Closed Captioning of Internet Protocol-Delivered Video Programming: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010*, Report and Order, 27 FCC Rcd 787 (2012) (“*IP Closed Captioning Order*”).

² See Federal Communications Commission, 47 CFR Parts 15 and 79, Closed Captioning of Internet Protocol-Delivered Video Programming, 77 FR 19480 (Mar. 30, 2012). The rules that require OMB approval are Sections 79.4(c)(1)(ii), 79.4(c)(2)(ii)-(iii), 79.4(d)(1)-(4) and (6)-(9), 79.4(e)(1)-(6), and 79.103(b)(3)-(4).

³ See *Notice of Office of Management and Budget Action* for OMB Control No. 3060-1162 (approved July 24, 2012); http://www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAViewICR?ref_nbr=201205-3060-020.

⁴ See *IP Closed Captioning Order*, 27 FCC Rcd 864, ¶ 131.

⁵ See Federal Communications Commission, 47 CFR Part 79, Closed Captioning of Internet Protocol-Delivered Video Programming: Implementation of the Twenty-First Century Communications and Video Accessibility Act of 2010, 77 FR 46632 (Aug. 6, 2012).