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**MEDIA BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES  
FOR THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING REGARDING REVIEW OF THE  
COMMISSION'S PROGRAM ACCESS RULES AND EXAMINATION OF  
PROGRAMMING TYING ARRANGEMENTS**

**MB DOCKET NO. 07-198**

**Comment Date: November 30, 2007**

**Reply Comment Date: December 17, 2007**

On October 1, 2007, the Commission released a *Notice of Proposed Rule Making* (“NPRM”) on revisions to the Commission’s program access and retransmission consent rules and whether it may be appropriate to preclude the practice of programmers to tie desired programming with undesired programming.<sup>1</sup> The *NPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 and 45 days after publication in the *Federal Register*.<sup>2</sup>

On October 31, 2007, the *NPRM* was published in the *Federal Register*.<sup>3</sup> Accordingly, comments must be filed on or before November 30, 2007 and reply comments must be filed on or before December 17, 2007. Commenters should follow the filing instructions provided in paragraphs 138 through 142 of the *NPRM*.<sup>4</sup> The *NPRM* is also available on the Commission’s website.<sup>5</sup>

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By the Chief, Media Bureau

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<sup>1</sup> See *Review of the Commission’s Program Access Rules and Examination of Programming Tying Arrangements, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, MB Docket No. 07-198, FCC No. 07-169 (rel. October 1, 2007) (“NPRM”).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.* at 1.

<sup>3</sup> 72 FR 61590 (October 31, 2007).

<sup>4</sup> See *NPRM* at ¶¶ 138-142.

<sup>5</sup> See [http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\\_public/attachmatch/FCC-07-169A1.doc](http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/FCC-07-169A1.doc).