

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

In the Matter of)	
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Implementation of Section 11 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992)	CS Docket No. 98-82
)	
Implementation of Cable Act Reform Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996)	CS Docket No. 96-85
)	
The Commission’s Cable Horizontal and Vertical Ownership Limits and Attribution Rules)	MM Docket No. 92-264
)	
Review of the Commission’s Regulations Governing Attribution of Broadcast and Cable/MDS Interests)	MM Docket No. 94-150
)	
Review of the Commission’s Regulations and Policies Affecting Investment in the Broadcast Industry)	MM Docket No. 92-51
)	
Reexamination of the Commission’s Cross-Interest Policy)	MM Docket No. 87-154
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ORDER

Adopted: January 29, 2002

Released: January 29, 2002

By the Chief, Cable Services Bureau:

1. The *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in the above-captioned proceeding, in which the Commission solicits comment on its cable horizontal and vertical ownership limits, specified that comments were due on or before 75 days after publication in the Federal Register. Replies were due on or before 105 days after publication in the Federal Register. On October 11, 2001, the summary of the *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* was published in the Federal Register,¹ which thereby established a comment date of December 26, 2001 and a reply date of January 25, 2002. On October 15, 2001, the Cable Services Bureau, *sua sponte*, extended the pleading cycle in this proceeding.² Under the

¹ See 66 Fed. Reg. 51905 (October 11, 2001).

² See Order, DA 01-2390 (CSB October 15, 2001).

extended pleading cycle, comments were due on January 4, 2002, and replies are due on February 4, 2002.

2. On January 28, 2002, the National Cable & Telecommunications Association (“NCTA”) filed a motion seeking an extension of time in which to file reply comments. NCTA states that, in its initial comments, it submitted an economic analysis addressing many of the issues raised in the *Further Notice*. It now seeks additional time in order to prepare an additional economic analysis addressing the comments and economic analyses submitted by commenters on January 4. NCTA states that it cannot complete the review and analysis of those initial comments and prepare and file its own additional economic analysis within the four-week period established by the Commission. NCTA seeks an additional two weeks to do so.

3. Accordingly, in the interest of developing a full and complete record and in the interest of not prejudicing any party, we herein grant the motion of NCTA and extend the date for filing reply comments by all interested parties in this proceeding. All reply comments will be due on or before February 19, 2002.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

W. Kenneth Ferree
Chief, Cable Services Bureau