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CABLE SERVICES BUREAU ACTION

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REQUEST FOR EXEMPTION FROM COMMISSION'S CLOSED CAPTIONING RULES CSR 5536

USA Broadcasting, Inc. ("USAB") has filed a petition for exemption from the closed captioning requirements, pursuant to Section 79.1 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1. USAB owns 13 full-power UHF television stations that carry electronic retail programming and plans to change the format on its stations to provide original and local programming. Petitioner claims that compliance with the closed captioning requirements would impose an undue burden, as defined in Section 79.1(f) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 79.1(f).

Comments and oppositions are due within 30 days from the date of this public notice. Petitioner's reply is due 20 days thereafter. Please place the case identifier, CSR 5536, on all filings.

The petition is available for public inspection in the Commission's Reference Information Center:

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