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## **MEDIA BUREAU TEMPORARILY LIFTS THE FREEZE ON THE FILING OF MINOR MODIFICATION APPLICATIONS THAT EXPAND THE CONTOUR OF FULL POWER AND CLASS A TELEVISION STATIONS FROM NOVEMBER 28 THROUGH DECEMBER 7, 2017**

**MB Docket No. 16-306**  
**GN Docket No. 12-268**

The Media Bureau is temporarily lifting the freeze imposed on April 5, 2013 on the filing and processing of minor modification applications that would increase a full power television station's noise-limited contour or a Class A station's protected contour in one or more directions beyond the station's authorized facilities.<sup>1</sup> The freeze will be lifted on Tuesday, November 28, 2017, and reimposed at 11:59 pm EST on Thursday, December 7, 2017.<sup>2</sup> Minor modification applications submitted during this time period will be processed on a first come/first served basis, i.e., the filing of an acceptable application "cuts-off" the filing rights of subsequent, conflicting applications.<sup>3</sup> In addition, the Media Bureau will process minor modification applications that have been pending since April 5, 2013 which are at variance with the limitations imposed in the *April 2013 Freeze Public Notice*.

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<sup>1</sup> *Freeze on the Filing of Modification Applications to Be Lifted Temporarily to Permit Filing of Applications to Expand the Contours of Full Power and Class A Television Stations That Are Not Part of the Post-Incentive Auction Repack Process*, Public Notice, DA 17-1033 (rel. Oct. 19, 2017). *Media Bureau Announces Limitations on the Filing and Processing of Full Power and Class A Television Station Modification Applications, Effective Immediately, and Reminds Stations of Spectrum Act Preservation Mandate*, Public Notice, 28 FCC Rcd 4364 (MB 2013) (*April 2013 Freeze Public Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> Applications proposing to change a full power or Class A television station's channel will not be accepted for filing.

<sup>3</sup> 47 CFR § 73.623(b).