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In the Matter of)
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Verification of Statements of Account) **Docket No. 2012-5**
Submitted by Cable Operators and)
Satellite Carriers)

MOTION TO EXTEND DATE FOR FILING REPLY COMMENTS

The Joint Sports Claimants, Program Suppliers, and the National Cable & Telecommunications Association (collectively "Moving Parties") jointly move for a further extension of time to October 24, 2012 for filing reply comments in the above-captioned rulemaking proceeding implementing the audit provisions of the Satellite Television Extension and Localism Act of 2010 ("STELA"). In support of this motion, the Moving Parties state:

1. Pursuant to a prior extension of time granted for the purpose of allowing the Moving Parties to seek common ground on various aspects of the proposed rules, reply comments currently are due on October 3, 2012. *See Verification of Statements of Account Submitted by Cable Operators and Satellite Carriers*, 77 Fed. Reg. 56,874 (September 14, 2012).

2. Over the past few weeks, the Moving Parties have engaged in discussions regarding the audit process. However, given the complexity of the issues, additional time is needed to bring the discussions to a conclusion and, if successful, to memorialize the areas of agreement in a joint set of reply comments and proposed rules that the Office can publish for public comment. The Moving Parties believe that the requested extension period will facilitate their discussions without causing harm to any interested person.

WHEREFORE, the Moving Parties request that the deadline for reply comments in this

matter be extended to October 24, 2012.

Respectfully submitted,

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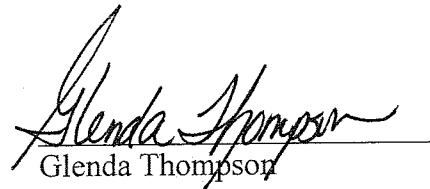
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