

technology, e.g., permitting electronic submission of responses.

To ensure that public comments are fully understood and have the maximum effect on the development of final regulations, ACF urges that each comment clearly identify the specific section or sections of the regulations at issue and the type of respondent being addressed.

OMB is required to make a decision concerning the collections of information contained in these proposed regulations between 30 and 60 days after publication of this document in the Federal Register. Therefore, a comment is best assured of having its full effect if OMB receives it within 30 days of publication. This does not affect the deadline for the public to comment on the proposed regulations. Written comments to OMB on the proposed information collections should be sent directly to the following: Office of Management and Budget, Paperwork Reduction Project, 725 17th Street, NW., Washington, DC 20503, ATTN: Ms. Wendy Taylor.

#### *Regulatory Flexibility Act*

The Regulatory Flexibility Act (Pub. L. 96-354) requires the Federal government to anticipate and reduce the impact of regulations and paperwork requirements on small businesses. The Secretary certifies that these proposed regulations will not have a significant economic impact on a substantial number of small entities because the primary impact of these regulations is on State governments and individuals. We do not believe that any provision will have direct impact on small businesses or other small entities within the scope of the Regulatory Flexibility Act and therefore, a regulatory flexibility analysis is not required.

#### List of Subjects

##### *45 CFR Part 232*

Aid to families with dependent children, Child support, Grant programs-social programs.

##### *45 CFR Part 235*

Aid to families with dependent children, Fraud, Grant programs-social programs, Public assistance programs.

(Catalog of Federal Domestic Assistance Programs 93.020, Assistance Payments Maintenance Assistance.)

Dated: June 21, 1996.

Mary Jo Bane,

*Assistant Secretary for Children and Families.*

Approved: July 1, 1996.

Donna E. Shalala,

*Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services.*

For the reasons set forth in the preamble, we propose to amend Chapter II of Title 45 of Code of Federal Regulations as follows:

#### **PART 232—SPECIAL PROVISIONS APPLICABLE TO TITLE IV—A OF THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT**

1. The authority citation for Part 232 is amended to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 602, and 1302.

2. Section 232.12 is amended by revising the introductory text of paragraph (b) and paragraphs (b)(1) and (b)(3).

##### **§ 232.12 Cooperation in obtaining support.**

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(b) The plan shall specify that "cooperate" includes any of the actions reflected in paragraphs (b) (1), (2), (3), or (4) of this section that are relevant to, or necessary for, the achievement of the objectives specified in paragraph (a) of this section:

(1) Appearing at an office of the State or local agency or the child support agency as necessary prior to receipt of benefits (or, if necessary for recipients, at redetermination) to provide verbal or written information, or documentary evidence known to, possessed by, or reasonably obtainable by the applicant or recipient.

(i) An applicant or recipient who knowingly provides false information shall be subject to prosecution for perjury.

(ii) States shall specify the actions, documents and information required of applicants and recipients to cooperate in achieving the objectives specified in paragraph (a).

(2) \* \* \*

(3)(i) As part of the requirement to cooperate in paternity establishment, providing:

(A) The name of the putative father; and

(B) Sufficient additional information to enable the State agency, if reasonable efforts were made, to verify the identity of the person named; including such information as the putative father's social security number; date of birth; past or present address; telephone number; past or present place of employment; past or present school attended; names and addresses of parents, friends or relatives able to

provide location information; or other information which could enable service of process on such person.

(ii) The State shall establish criteria for determining cooperation in cases where the individual cannot reasonably be expected to know the required identifying information about the father (including, but not limited to, cases where long term recipients do not know the required information due to a lapse of a long period of time since contact with the father).

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3. Section 232.46 is revised to read as follows:

##### **§ 232.46 Granting or continuation of assistance.**

The plan shall provide that the State or local agency will not deny, delay, or discontinue assistance pending a determination of cooperation or good cause for refusal to cooperate if the applicant or recipient has complied with the requirements of §§ 232.12, 232.40(c) and 232.43 to furnish corroborative evidence and information. This requirement applies to the 45-day application processing time frame, a shorter application period as elected by the State and to all applications filed under any State-defined criteria for emergency processing.

#### **PART 235—ADMINISTRATION OF FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS**

1. The authority citation for Part 235 continues to read as follows:

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 603, 616, and 1302.

2. Section 235.70 is amended by revising paragraph (b)(2), removing paragraph (b)(3), and redesignating paragraph (b)(4) as (b)(3) to read as follows:

##### **§ 235.70 Prompt notice to child support or Medicaid agency.**

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(b) \* \* \*

(1) \* \* \*

(2) *Prompt notice* means written notice including a copy of the AFDC case record, or all relevant information as prescribed by the child support agency. Prompt notice must also include all relevant information as prescribed by the State Medicaid agency for the pursuit of liable third parties. The prompt notice shall be provided within two working days of the filing of the application.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

### 47 CFR Parts 1 and 73

[MM Docket No. 96-16, DA 96-1033]

#### Revision of Broadcast EEO Policies

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Proposed rule; extension of comment and reply comment period.

**SUMMARY:** In *Streamlining Broadcast EEO Rules and Policies*, DA 96-1033, released June 26, 1996, (*Streamlining*), the Commission grants a motion for extension of time concerning the Commission's *Order and Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, MM Docket No. 96-16, (*NPRM*). A group of organizations request the extension of time due to, among other things, staff shortages. The Commission finds that the public interest favors grant of the motion for extension of time for filing comments, as well as a corresponding extension of time for filing reply comments.

**DATES:** Initial comments due July 11, 1996; reply comments due August 12, 1996.

**ADDRESSES:** Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Hope G. Cooper, Mass Media Bureau, Enforcement Division. (202) 418-1450.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

*Adopted:* June 26, 1996.

*Released:* June 26, 1996.

*Comment Date:* July 11, 1996.

*Reply Comment Date:* August 12, 1996.

1. On February 8, 1996, the Commission adopted an *Order and Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, 11 FCC Rcd 5154 (1996), 61 FR 9964 (March 12, 1996) (*NPRM*), which vacated the Commission's *EEO Forfeiture Policy Statement* and requested comment on proposals for amending the Commission's EEO Rule and policies. Comment and Reply Comment dates were established for April 30, 1996, and May 30, 1996, respectively.

2. On April 12, 1996, twenty organizations, including the Minority Media and Telecommunications Council (hereinafter "Petitioners"), filed a Motion for Extension of Time to file comments in response to the above-captioned proceeding.<sup>1</sup> On April 26, 1996, the Commission granted the Petitioners' request for extension of

time.<sup>2</sup> The date for filing comments was extended to July 1, 1996, and the date for filing reply comments was extended to July 31, 1996.

3. On June 20, 1996, Petitioners filed a Motion for Further Extension of Time. Therein, Petitioners request that we extend further the date for submission of comments in response to the *NPRM* by ten days, until July 11, 1996. Petitioners do not seek an extension of the reply comment deadline. In support of their request, petitioners state that they are conducting "very extensive research on broadcast stations' EEO practices, in order to provide the Commission and the other parties with a useful database for evaluation of the Commission's proposals."<sup>3</sup> They assert that due to, among other things, staff shortages, "it is physically impossible to complete this task by July 1."<sup>4</sup>

4. It is Commission policy that extensions of time not be routinely granted. See Section 1.46(a) of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR Section 1.46(a). We believe, however, that the public interest favors grant of the request for extension of time for filing comments in this proceeding. In addition, we believe that the public interest favors a corresponding extension of time for filing reply comments. Accordingly, we will extend the date for filing comments to July 11, 1996, and extend the date for filing reply comments to August 12, 1996.

5. Accordingly, it is ordered that the Motion for Extension of Time filed by Petitioners is granted and that the Commission, on its own motion, also extends the time for filing reply comments.

6. It is therefore ordered that the dates for filing comments and reply comments in this proceeding ARE EXTENDED to July 11, 1996, and August 12, 1996, respectively.

7. This action is taken pursuant to authority found in Sections 4(i) and 303(r) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. Sections 4(i) and 303(r), and Sections 0.204(b), 0.283 and 1.46 of the Commission's Rules, 47 CFR Sections 0.204(b), 0.283 and 1.46.

Federal Communications Commission.

Roy J. Stewart,

Chief, Mass Media Bureau.

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<sup>2</sup> FCC 96-198 (released: April 26, 1996), 61 FR 25183 (May 20, 1996).

<sup>3</sup> Minority Media and Telecommunications Council *et al.*, Motion For Further Extension of Time, MM Docket No. 96-16, filed June 20, 1996, at 1.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.* at 2.

## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### 50 CFR Part 648

[I.D. 070596D]

#### New England Fishery Management Council; Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold a 2-day meeting to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone.

**DATES:** The meeting will begin on Wednesday, July 17, 1996, at 10 a.m. and on Thursday, July 18, 1996, at 8:30 a.m.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Holiday Inn, Route One, Peabody, MA; telephone (508) 535-4600. Requests for special accommodations should be addressed to the New England Fishery Management Council, 5 Broadway, Saugus, MA 01906-1097; telephone: (617) 231-0422.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas G. Marshall, Executive Director, (617) 231-0422.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

July 17, 1996

After introductions, the July 17 session will begin with a report on and discussion of the Canadian Program for Responsible Fishing Operations. The Marine Mammal Committee report will follow and include a recommendation to take final action on Framework Adjustment 16 to the Northeast Multispecies Fishery Management Plan (Multispecies FMP) that would extend the timing of the Mid-coast Closure Area. An additional measure under consideration for the same framework adjustment would prohibit the use of pelagic and any other gillnets in the harbor porpoise time/area closures under certain conditions.

In the afternoon, the Multispecies Groundfish Committee will review and possibly recommend changes to the gillnet effort reduction measures currently in the FMP. Additionally, they will discuss membership on the Council's Multispecies Monitoring Committee, progress on the development of a fishery management plan for whiting, and possible alternatives to the Gulf of Maine

<sup>1</sup> See National Council of Churches *et al.*, Petition For Reconsideration and Clarification, MM Docket No. 96-16, filed April 11, 1996, at 1.