President Obama Signs DTV Delay Act Into Law
DTV Transition Date Officially Moved to June 12, 2009

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President Obama signed into law the DTV Delay Act that serves to move the digital television transition from February 17th to June 12th.

Irrespective of this delay, many stations will proceed with the termination of analog operation on February 17th. Additional information regarding the procedures for termination of analog service may be found in the group’s prior advisories on the subject, which may be accessed via the links provided below:

- February 5th Advisory “FCC Issues Procedures Relating to Delay of DTV Transition to June 12, 2009” and the related February 6th supplement; and

- February 10th Advisory “FCC Releases List of Stations that Intend to Terminate Analog Operation On or Before February 17, 2009”

The FCC is expected to issue additional guidance regarding the impact of the DTV delay on television broadcasters in the coming days. We will advise you further as the circumstances warrant.

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