## FCC to Host Workshop on New Ownership Report (Forms 323 and 323-E)

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## The FCC announced that the Media Bureau will hold a workshop on

Tuesday, November 28, 2017 from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm, to help licensees familiarize themselves with the revised ownership report (Forms 323 and 323-E) in the Licensing and Management System (LMS) to be prepared for the 2017 ownership report filing window. As this is the launch of a new form in a new filing system, all filers are encouraged to attend or review the workshop online.

The workshop will include a presentation by FCC staff, a filing demonstration, and an opportunity to ask questions in person or via email.

To view live streaming video of the workshop on the FCC's website, go to https://www.fcc.gov/general/live. To submit a question during the live stream, email form323@fcc.gov and use "Info Session" for the subject line.

To attend the workshop in person, the FCC has asked that you register by sending an e-mail to form323@fcc.gov no later than November 22, 2017. The session will be held in the Commission Meeting Room at FCC Headquarters, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington DC, 20554.

A video of the workshop will be available on the FCC's website after November 28, 2017. It will linked at https://www.fcc.gov/media/ownershipreport-commercial-broadcast-station-form-323.

> As a reminder, the biennial ownership report filing window will run from December 1, 2017 until March 2, 2018. Information on the new ownership report must be accurate as of **October 1, 2017**.

Last year, the FCC adopted revisions to the biennial ownership reporting requirements for both commercial and noncommercial educational (NCE) broadcast stations, including the requirement that all NCE stations to file a Form 323-E on a uniform date in odd numbered years at the same time that commercial stations file their ownership reports.

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The FCC postponed this year's filing deadline from December 1, 2017 until March 2, 2018, because the new form was not yet available. The FCC plans to make the new ownership report filing system available to filers starting December 1, 2017.

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