

REVIEW OF RECENT EVENTS IN THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ARENA

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COMMENT PERIOD EXTENDED IN "OPEN INTERNET" PROCEEDING DUE TO D.C. CIRCUIT'S COMCAST DECISION

The FCC has extended the deadline for filing reply comments in its *Open Internet* proceeding for the second time. *In the Matter of Preserving the Open Internet Broadband Industry Practices*, GN Docket No. 09-191, WC Docket No. 07-52, DA 10-607, Order (rel. Apr. 7, 2010) (*Open Internet*). The extension was granted in response to a request from several industry associations to enable all interested parties to evaluate and consider the legal implications of the recent D.C. Circuit's Comcast decision. The new deadline is now April 26, 2010.

In the *Open Internet* proceeding, the FCC seeks comment on the best means of preserving a free and open Internet. Specifically, the FCC proposes language to codify the four principles articulated in its *Internet Policy Statement*, as well as to codify two other principles that would require a broadband Internet access service provider to treat lawful content, application, and services in a nondiscriminatory manner, and to disclose information concerning its network management and other practices.

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