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NOTICE OF PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD **FOR PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO 207 CMR 1.00, 3.00 and 12.00**

Notice is hereby given in accordance with Massachusetts General Laws Chapter 30A that the Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("DTC") will hold a public comment period relative to proposed amendments to 207 CMR 1.00, 3.00 and 12.00. These minor procedural amendments would 1) allow the Department to prescribe notice posting methods for public hearings on cable licensing, 2) allow businesses to file tariffs electronically with the Department, and 3) remove outdated references.

Written comments will be accepted from September 27, 2024, until 5:00 pm on Friday, October 18, 2024, and may be submitted via email to Shonda Green, Secretary of the DTC, at dte.filing@mass.gov or mailed to: Shonda Green, Department of Telecommunications and Cable, 1000 Washington Street, Suite 600, Boston, MA 02118. Copies of the proposed regulations may be obtained from the DTC website available at <https://www.mass.gov/doc/notice-of-proposed-207-cmr-amendments/download>.

By Commissioner Karen Charles
Department of Telecommunications and Cable

Small Business Impact Statement

(As required by M.G.L. c. 30A §§ 2, 3 & 5)

CMR No.: 207 CMR 1.00, 3.00 & 12.00

Estimate of the Number of Small Businesses Impacted by the Regulation: 0

Select Yes or No and Briefly Explain

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to create, file, or issue additional reports? No. The change in 207 CMR 12.00 is intended to change tariff filings from paper submissions to electronic submissions, but the filings themselves are substantively similar. The changes to the remaining regulations are minor and will not require additional reports.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to implement additional recordkeeping procedures? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will not require additional recordkeeping.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to provide additional administrative oversight? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will not require additional oversight.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Will small businesses have to hire additional employees in order to comply with the proposed regulation? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will not require hiring additional employees.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does compliance with the regulation require small businesses to hire other professionals (e.g. a lawyer, accountant, engineer, etc.)? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and should not require small businesses to hire any additional professionals to ensure compliance.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to purchase a product or make any other capital investments in order to comply with the regulation? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will not require additional purchases or investments to comply.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Are performance standards more appropriate than design/operational standards to accomplish the regulatory objective? (Performance standards express requirements in terms of outcomes, giving the regulated party flexibility to achieve regulatory objectives and design/operational standards specify exactly what actions regulated parties must take.) This question is not applicable to the proposed changes in these regulations.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Do any other regulations duplicate or conflict with the proposed regulation? No.

Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to cooperate with audits, inspections or other regulatory enforcement activities? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will not require any major change to existing regulatory compliance.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation require small businesses to provide educational services to keep up to date with regulatory requirements? No. The changes to these regulations will not require small businesses to provide educational services.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the regulation likely to <i>deter</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will have no substantive effect on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Is the regulation likely to <i>encourage</i> the formation of small businesses in Massachusetts? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will have no substantive effect on small businesses.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation provide for less stringent compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will have no substantive effect on compliance or reporting requirements.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Does the regulation establish less stringent schedules or deadlines for compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will have no substantive effect on compliance or reporting requirements.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Did the agency consolidate or simplify compliance or reporting requirements for small businesses? No. The changes to these regulations are minor and will have no substantive effect on compliance or reporting requirements.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Can performance standards for small businesses replace design or operational standards without hindering delivery of the regulatory objective? This question is not applicable to the proposed changes in these regulations.
Yes <input type="checkbox"/>	No <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Are there alternative regulatory methods that would minimize the adverse impact on small businesses? There should be no adverse impact on small businesses.