

## EXTENSION OF COMMENT PERIOD

# DETERMINATION OF REASONABLE RATES AND TERMS FOR THE DIGITAL PERFORMANCE OF SOUND RECORDINGS

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Copyright Office 37 CFR Part 260 [Docket No. 96–5 CARP DSTRA]

#### Determination of Reasonable Rates and Terms for the Digital Performance of Sound Recordings

AGENCY: Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

**SUMMARY:** The Copyright Office is extending the period to file comments to proposed regulations that will govern the RIAA collective when it functions as the designated agent receiving royalty payments and statements of accounts from nonexempt, subscription digital transmission services which make digital transmissions of sound recordings under the provisions of section 114 of the Copyright Act.

**DATES:** Comments and Notices of Intent to Participate in a Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel Proceeding are due no later than September 19, 2001.

ADDRESSES: An original and five copies of any comment and Notice of Intent to Participate shall be delivered to: Office of the General Counsel, Copyright Office, James Madison Building, Room LM-403, First and Independence Avenue, SE., Washington, DC; or mailed to: Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel (CARP), P.O. Box 70977, Southwest Station, Washington, DC 20024-0977.

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION

On July 23, 2001, the Copyright Office published a notice of proposed rulemaking seeking comments on proposed regulations that will govern the RIAA collective when it functions as the designated agent receiving royalty payments and statements of accounts from nonexempt, subscription digital transmission services which make digital transmissions of sound recordings under the provisions of section 114 of the Copyright Act. 66 FR 38226 (July 23, 2001). Comments on the proposed terms and Notices of Intent to Participate in a Copyright Arbitration Royalty Panel Proceeding, the purpose of which would be to adopt terms governing the RIAA collective in its handling of royalty fees collected from the subscription services, were due on August 22, 2001.

On August 22, 2001, The American Federation of Musicians of the United States and Canada ("AFM") and The American Federation of Television and Radio Artists ("AFTRA") filed a request for an extension of the filing date for comments until September 19, 2001. The Office is granting this request and is extending the deadline for filing comments to September 19, 2001. Parties who have previously filed comments may supplement those comments or withdraw those comments and resubmit them in accordance with the extended deadline for filing comments.

Dated: August 29, 2001

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