Report 2005-2008



January 15, 2009

### **Mission Statement**

The Media Bureau develops, recommends and administers the policy and licensing programs relating to electronic media, including cable television, broadcast television, and radio in the United States and its territories.

 Promoting Competition Across Technology Platforms



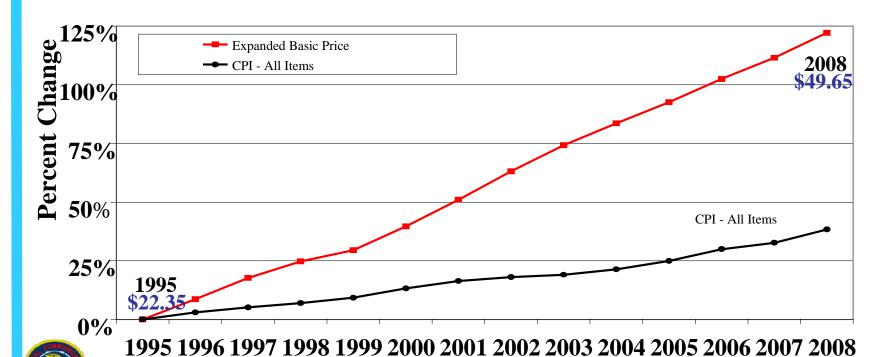
 Fostering Innovation Through Open Technology Platforms





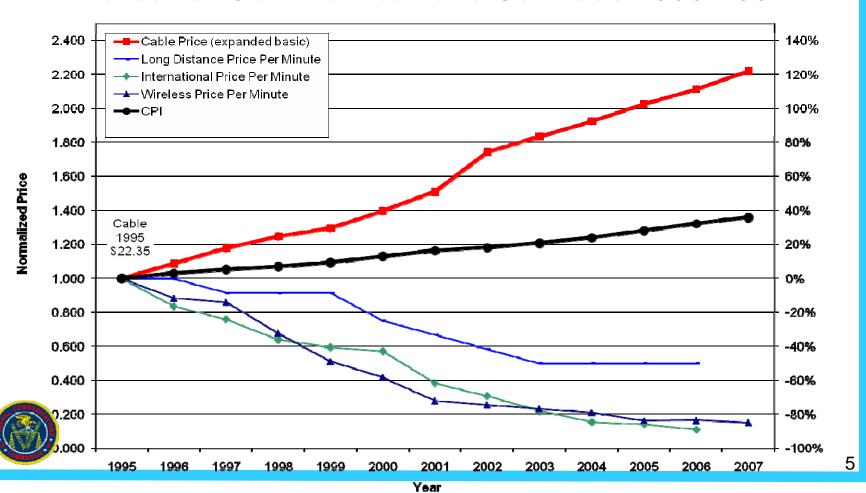


 Cable Rates and Consumer Price Index 1995-2008



Year

#### Rates for Communications Services 1995-2007



### **Promoting Competition**

- Video Franchise Reform
- Apartment Building Access

- Video Programming Competition
  - Prohibition of Exclusive Contracts
  - Leased Access Reform
  - Horizontal Ownership Limit





### **Fostering Innovation**

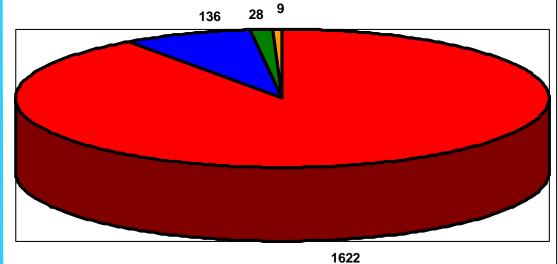
Non-Proprietary Set-Top Boxes





## **Overseeing the DTV Transition**

# Status of Full- Power Stations Transition to Digital



- Transition Completed Or On Track by 2/17/2009 (Over 90%)
- Serving 85% by 2/17/2009 (8%)
- Stations Going Dark on 2/17/2009 (1.5%)
- Stations Operating Below 85% on 2/17/2009 (.05%)



## Overseeing the DTV Transition

- Broadcaster Preparation
  - New Channels and Buildout Requirements
  - DTV Transition Status Reporting
  - Means for Full Coverage of Service Area
- Policy Goals
  - Carriage Obligations of Cable and Satellite
  - Television Labeling Requirement
  - DTV Consumer Education Initiative
  - Analog Night Light

# **Protecting Consumers**

- Children's Television
  - \$26.1M in fines and consent decrees
- Violence Report











- Fostering Diversity and Localism
  - Diversity
    - Access to Capital Conference
  - -Localism
  - Spectrum Sharing

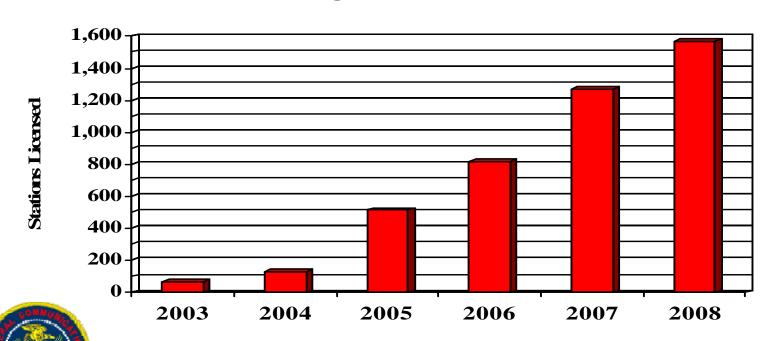




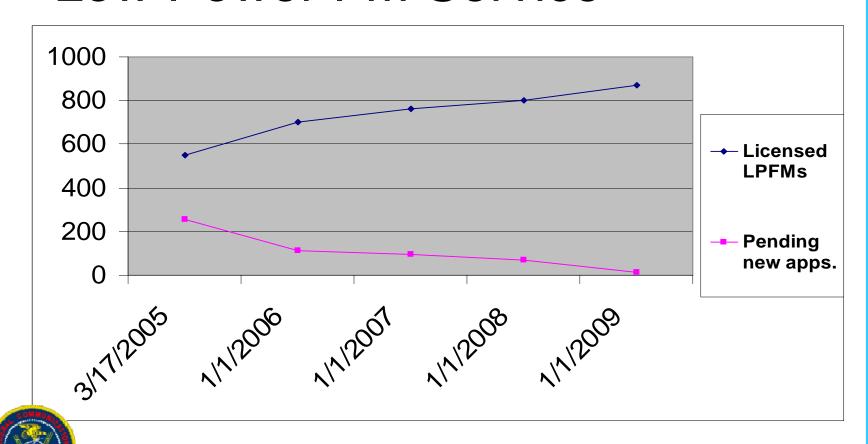


Digital Audio Broadcasting

**Digitial Terrestrial Radio** 



Low Power FM Service



### WORKLOAD

- 67,617 Applications Disposed
- 216 Items Circulated to 8th Floor
- 193 Commission Orders Adopted
- 33 Meeting Agenda Items Adopted
- 880 NALs Issued (\$5.0M Total)
- 7 Consent Decrees Reached (\$24.2M Total)
- 2130 Responses to Congressional Inquiries