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U.S. Copyright Office

[Docket No. 2014-02]

Extension of Comment Period; Study on the Right of Making Available; Request for Additional Comments

AGENCY: U.S. Copyright Office, Library of Congress.

ACTION: Extension of comment period.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Copyright Office is extending the deadline for public comments that address topics listed in the Office's July 15, 2014 Request for Additional Comments.

DATES: Comments are now due no later than 5:00 p.m. EDT on September 15, 2014.

ADDRESSES: All comments should be submitted electronically. To submit comments, please visit http://www.copyright.gov/docs/making_available/. The website interface requires submitters to complete a form specifying name and organization, as applicable, and to upload comments as an attachment via a browser button. To meet accessibility standards, commenting parties must upload comments in a single file not to exceed six megabytes ("MB") in one of the following formats: a Portable Document File ("PDF") format that contains searchable, accessible text (not an image); Microsoft Word; WordPerfect; Rich Text Format ("RTF"); or ASCII text file format (not a scanned document). The form and face of the comments must include both the name of the submitter and organization. The Office will post all comments publicly on the Office's website exactly as they are received, along with names and organizations. If electronic submission of comments is not feasible, please contact the Office at 202-707-1027 for special instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Maria Strong, Senior Counsel for Policy and International Affairs, by telephone at 202-707-1027 or by email at mstrong@loc.gov, or Kevin Amer, Counsel for Policy and International Affairs, by telephone at 202-707-1027 or by email at kamer@loc.gov.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

On July 15, 2014, the Copyright Office issued a Request for Additional Comments on the state of U.S. law recognizing and protecting “making available” and “communication to the public” rights for copyright holders.¹ The Request listed several questions for interested members of the public to address in the context of U.S. implementation of the WIPO Copyright Treaty (WCT) and the WIPO Performances and Phonograms Treaty (WPPT) rights of “making available” and “communication to the public,” and also invited views on specific issues raised during the public roundtable held in Washington, DC on May 5, 2014. To provide sufficient time for commenters to respond, the Office is extending the time for filing additional comments from August 14, 2014 to September 15, 2014.

Dated: July 28, 2014.

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Associate Register of Copyrights.

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¹ Study on the Right of Making Available; Request for Additional Comments, 79 FR 41309 (July 15, 2014).