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SHORT SUBJECTS

MVPD EEO Reports due soon - MVPDs out there should be aware that their EEO reports are due no later than September 30. The FCC has eliminated many periodic reports for broadband television distributors, but not the annual employment report for Multichannel Video Program Distributors – you know who you are!

Forewarned is Foregone - The FCC is cracking down on sales of illegal Citizens Band equipment, which need FCC certification prior to sale. One Oregon store was fined \$7,000 for offering eleven models of CB transceivers that proved not to be certified. The store had received an FCC warning a few years earlier for the same offense. And a Florida store was fined \$7,000 for selling amateur radio transmitters, which do not have to be certified -- but these units could easily be converted to CB transmitters, which do. Here, too, the store had previously received a warning. Let's be careful out there!