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I am submitting the following statement as President of the ACB Government Employees Affiliate (ACBGE) - we are aware that time is of the essence and that the 508/255 refresh must be finalized by the end of this year.

We live in a world that is constantly changing, especially when it comes to IT. Today, more and more information can only be obtained through use of websites, kiosks, and touch screens. People who are blind or have low vision come from all walks of life. We are lawyers, teachers, and government employees. While we are a virtually paperless environment, in a lot of ways, our access to these environments is shrinking. Although the Federal Government would like everyone to believe that they are the leaders in , setting the standards for accessibility, in employment, At this point, they do not behave as leaders in either development or enforcement of those standards. So, the Access Board needs to end the interminably long process for refreshing the regulations for 508. We need strong regulations with even stronger enforcement. Therefore, we urge those involved to take an active part in expressing this input with the greatest sense of urgency.

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