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## COMMON CARRIER BUREAU EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR FIRST ANNUAL CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH GEOGRAPHIC DEAVERAGING AND RATE INTEGRATION REQUIREMENTS TO AUGUST 1, 2001

### CC Docket No. 96-61

Section 64.1900 of the Commission's rules requires nondominant interexchange carriers (IXCs) to file annual certifications that they satisfy the geographic rate averaging and rate integration obligations of section 254(g) of the Communications Act.<sup>1</sup> The Bureau had previously established a deadline for the first of these annual certifications of May 1, 2001, *i.e.*, the day after the April 30, 2001 transition deadline for detariffing mass market consumer services.<sup>2</sup> Because the Bureau subsequently extended the transition deadline to July 31, 2001,<sup>3</sup> we now extend the initial certification deadline to August 1, 2001. Subsequent annual certifications should continue to be filed on May 1 of each year, starting in 2002.

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<sup>1</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 64.1900; 47 U.S.C. § 254(g). *See Policy and Rules Concerning the Interstate, Interexchange Marketplace*, CC Docket No. 96-61, Second Report and Order, 11 FCC Rcd 20730 (1996); Order on Reconsideration, 12 FCC Rcd 15014 (1997); Second Order on Reconsideration and Erratum, 14 FCC Rcd 6004 (1999).

<sup>2</sup> *See Policy and Rules Concerning the Interstate, Interexchange Marketplace*, CC Docket No. 96-61, Order, 15 FCC Rcd 22321, para. 24 (Com.Car.Bur. 2000) (extending transition deadline from January 31, 2001 to April 30, 2001). *See also Domestic Interexchange Carrier Detariffing Order Takes Effect*, CC Docket, No. 96-61, Public Notice, DA 00-1028 (Com.Car.Bur. May 9, 2000).

<sup>3</sup> *See Common Carrier Bureau Extends Transition Period for Detariffing Consumer Domestic Long Distance Services*, CC Docket No. 96-61, Public Notice, DA 01-282 (Com.Car.Bur. Feb. 5, 2001).