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**PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR COMMENTS ON
NATIONAL EXCHANGE CARRIER ASSOCIATION, INC. PETITION FOR INTERIM WAIVER
OF SECTION 69.602 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES
File No. ASD 01-24**

Released: April 13, 2001

Comment Date: April 23, 2001
Reply Date: April 30, 2001

On April 10, 2001, the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. (NECA) filed a Petition for Interim Waiver of Section 69.602 of the Commission Rules concerning annual election requirements for NECA's Board of Directors. (See 47 C.F.R. § 69.602). Specifically, NECA requests a waiver of section 69.602(e) and (f), which require an annual election, and section 69.602(i), which requires that a director serve for a term of one year. (See 47 C.F.R. §§ 69.602(e), (f), and (i)). NECA states that the waiver will relieve unnecessary administrative and financial burdens and requests that the Commission grant this waiver by May 15, 2001, as preparation for the October 2001 Board of Director's election must begin following that date.

Interested parties may file comments no later than April 23, 2001, with the Secretary, FCC, 445 12th Street, SW, TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Replies to these comments should be filed no later than April 30, 2001. Comments should reference File No. ASD 01-24. A copy of each pleading should also be sent to Ernestine Creech, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau, FCC, Room 6-C317, 445 12th Street, SW, TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554, and to the Commission's contractor for public services records duplication, International Transcription Services, Inc. (ITS), 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036. Copies are available for inspection and copying during normal business hours in the FCC's Reference Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW, TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Copies also can be obtained from ITS at 1231 20th Street, NW, Washington, DC 20036 or by calling ITS at (202) 857-3800 or faxing ITS at (202) 857-3805.

This proceeding is being treated as a permit, but disclose proceeding for purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules. See generally 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1216. Interested parties are to file with the Secretary, FCC, and serve ITS, with copies of any written *ex parte* presentations or summaries of oral *ex parte* presentations in these proceedings in the manner specified above.

For further information, please contact Andrew Mulitz, at (202) 418-0850 (voice) or (202) 418-0484 (TTY).

Action by the Chief, Accounting Safeguards Division, Common Carrier Bureau, FCC.