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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES LIMITED EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE COMMENTS AND REPLY COMMENTS ON PROPOSAL TO REVISE MULTICHANNEL MULTIPOINT DISTRIBUTION SERVICE AND THE INSTRUCTIONAL TELEVISION FIXED SERVICE RULES (RM-10586)

Comment Date: November 21, 2002 Reply Date: November 29, 2002

By Public Notice dated October 17, 2002, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) sought comment on a paper entitled, "A Proposal for Revising the MDS and ITFS Regulatory Regime," submitted by the Wireless Communications Association International, Inc., the National ITFS Association and the Catholic Television Network ("proponents"). The proponents filed this paper on October 7, 2002. The due dates for comments and reply comments were November 14, 2002 and November 21, 2002, respectively. On November 12, 2002, the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) was taken off line for emergency repairs, and the system remains offline and unavailable as of the afternoon of November 14. Under these circumstances, we will extend, on our own motion, the due dates to accommodate the needs of parties planning to file electronically. Accordingly, comments will be due no later than **November 21, 2002**, and reply comments will be due no later than **November 29, 2002**.

Parties should refer to RM-10586 and DA 02-2732 in their submissions. All comments should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. A copy of each response also should be sent to Qualex International, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC, 20554, 202-863-2893, and to Charles M. Oliver, Federal Communications Commission, Wireless

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Proposal to Revise Multichannel Multipoint Distribution Service and the Instructional Television Fixed Service Rules (RM-10586), *Public Notice*, DA 02-2732 (WTB rel. Oct. 17, 2002).

Telecommunications Bureau, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Policy and Rules Branch, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Room 4-C367, Washington, D.C. 20554.

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Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. As the Commission has not yet begun a rulemaking proceeding in this matter, this inquiry is exempt from the Commission's ex parte rules, but all information will be made available to the public unless confidential treatment is sought and granted.

Copies of the proposal and all responses to this Public Notice will be available for inspection and copying during regular business hours in the Reference Information Center (RIC) of the Consumer Information Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, D. C. 20554. Copies may also be obtained from Qualex. In addition, the proposal is available at http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html. For further information regarding the public reference file, please contact Maria Ringold, Chief, Wireless Branch, RIC, (202) 418-1350.

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By the Chief, Policy and Rules Branch, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.