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## NEW PAYPHONE COMPENSATION RULES WILL GO INTO EFFECT ON JULY 1, 2004

### CC DOCKET NO. 96-128

On October 3, 2003, the Commission released a *Report and Order* in CC Docket No. 96-128 (*Payphone Order*) in which the Commission adopted new rules concerning the compensation of payphone service providers (PSPs) pursuant to section 276 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended.<sup>1</sup> A summary of the Commission's *Payphone Order* was published in the Federal Register on November 6, 2003 establishing the effective date for the rules as the first day of the first calendar-year quarter following approval of paperwork collection requirements by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).<sup>2</sup> The Commission received OMB approval on Wednesday, May 5, 2004.<sup>3</sup> Accordingly, the effective date of the *Payphone Order* and its new rules is July 1, 2004.

To provide carriers time to transition to the new rules and to meet OMB requirements, the Commission in the *Payphone Order* also re-adopted its previous rules adopted in the *Second Order on Reconsideration* on an interim basis until the new rules become effective.<sup>4</sup> Therefore, as of July 1, 2004, the interim rules, currently set forth at [47 CFR 64.1300\(a\)](#), [64.1310\(a\)](#), and [64.1310\(b\)](#) are no longer effective.

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<sup>1</sup> *Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, CC Docket No. 96-128, Report and Order, 18 FCC Rcd 19975 (2003) (*Payphone Order*).

<sup>2</sup> 68 FR 62751-01 (Nov. 6, 2003).

<sup>3</sup> OMB Approval No. 3060-1046 (May 5, 2004).

<sup>4</sup> *Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, CC Docket No. 96-128, Second Order on Reconsideration, 16 FCC Rcd 8098 (2002) (*Second Order on Reconsideration*); *remanded sub nom., Sprint Corp. v. FCC*, 315 F.3d 369 (D.C. Cir. 2003).