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**THE WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES THE DESIGNATION OF A
TEMPORARY ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER FOR THE PURPOSE OF
PROVIDING THE HURRICANE KATRINA LIFELINE ASSISTANCE**

WC Docket No. 03-109

Released Date: November 16, 2005

On November 16, 2005, the Telecommunications Access Policy Division of the Wireline Competition Bureau granted the petition of TracFone Wireless, Inc., as amended, for designation as a temporary eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC)¹ for the purpose of providing the Hurricane Katrina Lifeline assistance pursuant to the Commission's *Hurricane Katrina Order*.²

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¹ Application of TracFone Wireless, Inc. for Emergency Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier to Provide Lifeline Assistance to Hurricane Katrina Victims, WC Docket No. 03-109 (filed Nov. 3, 2005); Amendment to Application of TracFone Wireless, Inc. for Emergency Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier to Provide Lifeline Assistance to Hurricane Katrina Victims, WC Docket No. 03-109 (filed Nov. 14, 2005).

² *Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, FCC 05-178 (rel. Oct. 14, 2005) (*Hurricane Katrina Order*).