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**WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU GRANTS REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO
FILE COMMENTS ON TIME WARNER CABLE'S PETITION FOR PREEMPTION
REGARDING THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION'S DENIAL OF A
CERTIFICATE OF PUBLIC CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY**

WC Docket No. 06-54

On March 15, 2006, COMPTTEL filed a request for a two week extension of time to file comments on the petition of Time Warner Cable (TWC) for preemption of the South Carolina Public Service Commission's decision to deny TWC a certificate of public convenience and necessity for certain areas served by rural local exchange carriers.¹ On March 16, 2006, the South Carolina Coalition (SCC) also filed for an extension of time to file comments in this proceeding. The current deadline for filing comments is March 27, 2006.²

Although requests for extensions of time are not routinely granted,³ we do occasionally grant limited extensions of time when we find that the public interest would be served by doing so. In this case, we believe that granting an extension of time to file comments and reply comments in this proceeding is in the public interest. COMPTTEL and SCC ask generally for additional time so that they may incorporate into their comments a thorough analysis of the complicated issues at hand. In addition, COMPTTEL states that TWC does not object to a two week extension of the comment and reply comment periods. We believe that other parties will benefit equally from an extension of these deadlines, and that such an extension will enable the Commission to obtain a more complete and well-developed record in this proceeding. Parties therefore have until **April 10, 2006** to file comments on TWC's petition in this docket, and until **April 25, 2006** to file reply comments.

For further information regarding this proceeding, contact Jennifer Schneider, Wireline Competition Bureau, (202) 418-0425.

¹ Petition of Time Warner Cable for Preemption Pursuant to Section 253 of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended, WC Docket No. 06-54 (filed Mar. 1, 2006).

² See *Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on Time Warner Cable's Petition for Preemption Regarding the South Carolina Public Service Commission's Denial of a Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity*, WC Docket No. 06-54, DA 06-535, Public Notice (rel. Mar. 6, 2006).

³ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(a).