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## WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON LEVEL 3'S REQUEST FOR SPECIAL TEMPORARY AUTHORIZATION OF THOUSAND-BLOCK CODES IN AREA CODE 603

### PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED

WC Docket No. 08-154

**Comment Date: August 7, 2008**

**Reply Comment Date: August 14, 2008**

By this Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) seeks comment on a request filed by Level 3 Communications, LLC for the Bureau to grant a Special Temporary Authorization of numbering resources in area code 603, pending the resolution of its petition for additional telephone numbers in that area code.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, Level 3 requests that the Bureau direct the North American Numbering Plan Administrator to assign and release a thousands-block growth code in a number of rate centers where exhaust has been reached or is imminent.<sup>2</sup>

Interested parties may file comments on the request on or before **August 7, 2008** and reply comments on or before **August 14, 2008**. All pleadings are to reference WC Docket No. 08-154. Comments may be filed using: (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies.<sup>3</sup>

- **Electronic Filers:** Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/> or the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting comments.
- For ECFS filers, if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service

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<sup>1</sup> Request of Level 3 Communications, LLC for Special Temporary Authorization of Thousand-Blocks in Area Code 603 (filed July 18, 2008) (Level 3 Request). *See also* Emergency Petition of Level 3 Communications, LLC, for the Assignment of Additional Telephone Numbers in Area Code 603, and for the Preemption of the Actions of the New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission Pursuant to Section 253 of the Communications Act of 1934 (filed July 18, 2008). By separate public notice the Bureau also seeks comment on Level 3's emergency petition. *See Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on Level 3's Emergency Petition for Assignment of Additional Telephone Numbers in Area Code 603*, Public Notice, WC Docket No. 08-154, DA 08-1732 (rel. Jul. 24, 2008).

<sup>2</sup> Level 3 Request at 1-2.

<sup>3</sup> *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions, filers should send an e-mail to [ecfs@fcc.gov](mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov), and include the following words in the body of the message, "get form." A sample form and directions will be sent in response.

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- The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.
- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
- U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Washington DC 20554.

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All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Parties should also send a copy of their filings to Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554, or by e-mail to [CPDcopies@fcc.gov](mailto:CPDcopies@fcc.gov). Parties shall also serve one copy with the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 488-5300, or via e-mail to [fcc@bcpiweb.com](mailto:fcc@bcpiweb.com).

Documents in WC Docket No. 08-154 are available for public inspection and copying during business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12<sup>th</sup> St. SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554. The documents may also be purchased from BCPI, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, TTY (202) 488-5562, e-mail [fcc@bcpiweb.com](mailto:fcc@bcpiweb.com). These documents may also be viewed on the Commission's website at <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs>.

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