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**WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU GRANTS
EXTENSION OF TIME TO FILE REPLY COMMENTS ON
COMMERCIAL MOBILE RADIO SERVICES
MARKET COMPETITION**

WT Docket No. 09-66

Revised date for filing Reply Comments: July 13, 2009

On May 14, 2009, the Bureau released the *Public Notice* in this proceeding, soliciting data and information in order to evaluate the state of competition among providers of Commercial Mobile Radio Services (“CMRS”) for its Fourteenth Annual Report and Analysis of Competitive Market Conditions with Respect to Commercial Mobile Services (“*Fourteenth Report*”).¹ The Bureau established a pleading cycle for the *Public Notice*, with comments due on June 15, 2009 and replies due on June 29, 2009.

On June 19, 2009, CTIA – The Wireless Association (“CTIA”) and Rural Telecommunications Group, Inc. (“RTG”) filed a joint request for a 14-day extension of the reply comment deadline “to enable interested parties to review and evaluate the record submitted in the initial round of comments.”² CTIA and RTG state that “the current reply comment date is just 14 days after the initial comment date, and a short 14-day extension would service the public interest by providing parties sufficient time to meaningfully address the detailed economic and technical analyses submitted in the initial round of comments.”³

It is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time are not routinely granted.⁴ Such extensions may be warranted when, among other things, the additional time will serve the public interest. In the instant proceeding, we find that providing the requested limited extension would be beneficial to the development of a complete record on the issues. Accordingly, we find that granting the extension of time requested by CTIA and RTG serves the public interest.

Accordingly, we hereby grant the above-described request for extension of time filed in WT Docket No. 09-66. The deadline for filing reply comments is extended to July 13, 2009.

¹ See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Commercial Mobile Radio Services Market Competition, *Public Notice*, WT Docket No. 09-66, DA 09-1070 (WTB rel. May 14, 2009) (“*Public Notice*”).

² CTIA – The Wireless Association and Rural Telecommunications Group, Inc. Request for Extension of Reply Comment Deadline, WT Docket No. 09-66 (filed June 19, 2009) (“*Request*”).

³ *Request* at 1.

⁴ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(a).

This action is taken pursuant to authority found in Sections 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 154(i), and Sections 0.131, 0.331, and 1.46 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.131, 0.331, and 1.46.

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