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COMMENT SOUGHT ON THE JOINT PETITION OF PINE DRIVE TELEPHONE AND QWEST TO WAIVE THE STUDY AREA BOUNDARY FREEZE AS CODIFIED IN PART 36 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES

CC Docket No. 96-45

Comment Date: August 26, 2010 Reply Comment Date: September 10, 2010

On June 29, 2010, Pine Drive Telephone Company (Pine Drive) and Qwest Communications (Qwest) filed a joint petition for waiver of the study area boundary freeze.¹ Pine Drive and Qwest seek a waiver of the study area boundary freeze in order to remove certain territories from Qwest's Colorado study area and to add those same territories to Pine Drive's existing Colorado study area.²

Interested parties may file **comments on or before August 26, 2010**, and **reply comments on or before September 10, 2010**. All pleadings are to reference **CC Docket No. 96-45**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), or by filing paper copies.³

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¹ Pine Drive Telephone Company and Qwest Communications, Joint Petition for Waiver of the Definition of "Study Area" Contained in Part 36, Appendix-Glossary of the Commission's Rules, CC Docket No. 96-45 (filed June 29, 2010) (Petition); 47 C.F.R. Part 36 App. (defining "study area").

² Specifically, the petitioners request that Pine Drive's existing study area be extended to include an area referred to as the Red Creek Ranch territory and a territory north of the Red Creek Ranch territory and State Highway 96. *See* Petition at 1. Qwest has no facilities or customers in the areas to be transferred to Pine Drive. *Id.* at 2.

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

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- (2) Gary Seigel, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-C408, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: <u>Gary.Seigel@fcc.gov</u>; and
- (3) Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A452, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: <u>Charles.Tyler@fcc.gov</u>.

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For further information, please contact Gary Seigel, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at (202) 418-7400 or TTY (202) 418-0484.

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⁴ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq*.

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2).

⁶ 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).