Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> St., S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

News Media Information 202 / 418-0500 Internet: http://www.fcc.gov TTY: 1-888-835-5322

DA 10-1955

Release Date: October 12, 2010

## WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU EXTENDS DEADLINE FOR FILING OPPOSITIONS TO SOUTHERNLINC PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION TO OCTOBER 14, 2010

WC Docket No. 05-337; CC Docket No. 96-45

On September 3, 2010, the Commission released the *Corr Wireless Order*, which addressed a petition requesting review of a Universal Service Administrative Company decision.<sup>1</sup> On September 30, 2010, SouthernLINC filed a petition for reconsideration of the *Corr Wireless Order*,<sup>2</sup> and on October 4, 2010, Allied Wireless Communications, Inc., et al., did as well.<sup>3</sup> Pursuant to section 1.106 of the Commission's rules, oppositions to the SouthernLINC petition would be due on October 12, 2010, while oppositions to the Allied petition would be due on October 14, 2010.<sup>4</sup>

In order to avoid unnecessary duplication of efforts by parties filing oppositions to the two related petitions, the Wireline Competition Bureau extends to **October 14, 2010**, the deadline for filing oppositions to the SouthernLINC petition.<sup>5</sup> This will permit parties to address both petitions in a comprehensive and unified manner. Replies to the oppositions will be due seven days after the oppositions are filed, consistent with section 1.106(h) of the Commission's rules.<sup>6</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> High-Cost Universal Service Support; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Request for Review of Decision of Universal Service Administrator by Corr Wireless Communications, LLC, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 10-155 (rel. Sept. 3, 2010) (Corr Wireless Order), recon. pending.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Petition for Partial Reconsideration of SouthernLINC Wireless and the Universal Service for America Coalition, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 96-45 (filed September 30, 2010) (SouthernLINC Petition).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Joint Petition for Reconsideration of Allied Wireless Communications Corp. et al., WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 96-45 (filed October 4, 2010).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.106(g).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> SouthernLINC cited section 1.429 of the Commission's rules as the procedural basis for its petition. SouthernLINC Petition, at 1 (citing 47 C.F.R. § 1.429). However, section 1.429 applies to petitions for reconsideration in rulemaking proceedings. Because the *Corr Wireless Order* was not part of a rulemaking proceeding, section 1.106, which governs petitions for reconsideration generally, applies.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.106(h).

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

- FCC -