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NECA FILES ANNUAL UPDATE COST ALLOCATION MANUAL REVISION WCB/Pricing File No. 10-01

PUBLIC NOTICE

COMMENTS DUE: February 22, 2010 REPLY COMMENTS DUE: March 8, 2010

I. COST ALLOCATION MANUAL FILING

1. The Commission has received a revised cost allocation manual (CAM) from the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. (NECA). The revisions reflect changes that occurred during 2009. Specifically, changes were made to Section I: Introduction, and Section VI: Cost Allocation Tables. The Section I changes were made to improve reporting accountability reflecting new activity centers. In addition, a change in accounting procedures required the elimination of depreciation items in the Summary of Cost Pool Reassignments. The changes to Section VI include a modification in the Disbursements Apportionment definition as a result of a new financial system. In addition, Depreciation and Insurance were eliminated from the Cost Apportionment Table and Methodology section because these are not actual activities.

II. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- 2. This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules.¹ Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one- or two-sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required.² Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.³
- 3. Interested parties may file comments on or before **February 22, 2010**, and reply comments on or before **March 8, 2010**. Such filings shall refer to the internal **WCB/Pricing File No. 10-01**. Comments in this proceeding may not be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).

¹ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200, 1.1206.

² See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

³ *Id*.

- 4. Interested parties should file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.
- 5. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
- 6. All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th St., SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of <u>before</u> entering the building. The filing hours at both locations are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. 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 must be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington DC 20554.
- 7. Three (3) copies of the comments and reply comments should also be sent to the Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 5-A361, Washington, D.C. 20554, Attn: Paula Cech. Parties are also requested to send an e-mail version of all comments and reply comments to paula.cech@fcc.gov. Parties shall also serve one copy with Best Copy and Printing, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, (800) 378-3160, or via e-mail to fcc@bcpiweb.com.
- 8. Documents in this proceeding are available for public inspection and copying during business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554. The documents may also be purchased from Best Copy and Printing, Inc., telephone (800) 378-3160, facsimile (301) 816-0169.
- 9. People with Disabilities: To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (tty).
- 10. For further information, contact Paula Cech, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, (202) 418-1551.