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## WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON CORDOVA WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS, INC. PETITION FOR WAIVER OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE RULES

WC Docket No. 10-90 WT Docket No. 10-208

Comment Date: November 13, 2012

Reply Comment Date: November 28, 2012

The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau seeks comment on a petition filed by Cordova Wireless Communications, Inc. ("Cordova") for waiver of Section 54.307(e)(3)(iv) of the Commission's Universal Service Fund ("USF") Rules. Section 54.307(e) establishes a methodology for determining USF support for competitive eligible telecommunications carriers from January 1, 2012.

Cordova filed a confidential and a redacted version of its waiver petition.<sup>3</sup> Parties seeking access to the confidential version of Cordova's waiver petition shall request access pursuant to the terms of the *Third Protective Order* adopted August 30, 2012.<sup>4</sup>

Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated above. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

• Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <a href="http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/">http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/</a>.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Petition for Waiver of Cordova Wireless Communications, Inc., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al. (filed Oct. 1, 2012); see also Connect America Fund et al., WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 26 FCC Rcd 17,663 (2011).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 54.307(e).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Certain information included in Cordova's petition was filed pursuant to the *Third Protective Order* in this proceeding. *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket No. 10-90 et al., Third Protective Order, DA 12-1418 (rel. Aug. 30, 2012) (*Third Protective Order*).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See id.

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For further information, please contact Kathryn Hinton, Auctions and Spectrum Access Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0660.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 et seq.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 1.2106(b)(2).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).