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## WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON AT&T PETITION FOR LIMITED WAIVER OF CALL SIGNALING RULES

CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45; GN Docket No. 09-51; WC Docket Nos. 03-109, 05-337, 07-135, 10-90;  
WT Docket No. 10-208

**COMMENTS: February 9, 2012**  
**REPLY COMMENTS: February 24, 2012**

On December 29, 2011, AT&T Inc. (AT&T) filed a petition seeking a limited waiver of the Commission's call signaling rules.<sup>1</sup> AT&T asks for a waiver of the call signaling rules adopted by the Commission in the *USF/ICC Transformation Order* in two circumstances.<sup>2</sup> Specifically, AT&T requests "a limited waiver of the requirement to pass CN [the Signaling System 7 (SS7) Charge Number] unaltered where it is different than CPN [Calling Party Number]."<sup>3</sup> Also, AT&T "seeks a limited waiver of the rule requiring service providers using MF signaling to pass the number of the called party (or CN, if different) in the MF ANI [Multi-Frequency Automatic Number Identification] field."<sup>4</sup> AT&T asserts that its requested waiver is necessary because "compliance with the new rules is technically infeasible using currently deployed equipment and while AT&T investigates options to come into compliance where possible."<sup>5</sup>

Interested parties may file **comments on or before February 9, 2012**, and **reply comments on or before February 24, 2012**. All pleadings are to reference **CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45; GN Docket No. 09-51; WC Docket Nos. 03-109, 05-337, 07-135, 10-90; WT Docket No. 10-208**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).<sup>6</sup> Two courtesy copies must

<sup>1</sup> See Petition for Limited Waiver of AT&T Inc., CC Docket Nos. 01-92, 96-45; GN Docket No. 09-51; WC Docket Nos. 03-109, 05-337, 07-135, 10-90; WT Docket No. 10-208, at 1 (filed Dec. 29, 2012) (Petition) (citing 47 C.F.R. § 64.1601(a)).

<sup>2</sup> See *In the Matter of Connect America Fund, A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers, High-Cost Universal Service Support, Developing an Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Lifeline and Link-Up, Universal Service Reform – Mobility Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, GN Docket No. 09-51, WC Docket No. 07-135, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 01-92, CC Docket No. 96-45, WC Docket No. 03-109, WT Docket No. 10-208, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 11-161, paras. 702 - 735 (rel. Nov. 18, 2011) (*USF/ICC Transformation Order*).

<sup>3</sup> See Petition at 3.

<sup>4</sup> *Id.* at 6.

<sup>5</sup> *Id.* at 8.

<sup>6</sup> See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

be delivered to Belinda Nixon, Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Pricing Policy Division, 445 12th Street, SW, Room 5-A221, Washington, DC 20554, or via e-mail at [belinda.nixon@fcc.gov](mailto:belinda.nixon@fcc.gov).

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<sup>7</sup> See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200, 1.1206.

<sup>8</sup> See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

<sup>9</sup> See *id.*

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