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NECA FILES ANNUAL UPDATE
COST ALLOCATION MANUAL REVISION
WCB/Pricing File No. 12-02

COMMENTS DUE: February 24, 2012
REPLY COMMENTS DUE: March 12, 2012

I. COST ALLOCATION MANUAL FILING

The Commission has received a revised cost allocation manual (CAM) from the National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. (NECA).¹ The revisions reflect changes that occurred during 2011. Specifically, changes were made to Section I: Introduction, Section VI: Cost Allocation Tables, and Section VII: Time Reporting Procedures. The Section I and Section VII changes include renaming the Responsibility Center and creating a New Project Code. NECA states that these changes were made to improve reporting accountability and more accurately reflect the department. NECA states it made certain modifications to the Section VI Description of Cost Pools-Legal and Description of Cost Pools-Line Operations to more accurately reflect the cost pool.

II. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

This matter shall be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules.² 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.³ 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.⁴

Interested parties may file comments on or before **February 24, 2012**, and reply comments on or before **March 12, 2012**. Such filings shall refer to the internal **WCB/Pricing File No. 12-02**. Comments in this proceeding may not be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).

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.

¹ See National Exchange Carrier Association, Inc. Cost Accounting and Procedures Manual (Revised Dec. 30, 2011).

² See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200, 1.1206.

³ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

⁴ *Id.*

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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.

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