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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU REMINDS PARTIES OF DEADLINES FOR FILING OPPOSITIONS AND REPLIES REGARDING THE ADAK EAGLE ENTERPRISES, LLC AND WINDY CITY CELLULAR, LLC PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION AND APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF THE ADAK/WINDY CITY WAIVER ORDER

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

Oppositions Due: August 30, 2013

Replies to Oppositions Due: September 9, 2013

On July 15, 2013, the Wireline Competition Bureau released the *Adak/Windy City Waiver Order*, which denied a request for waiver by Adak Eagle Enterprises, LLC (AEE) for waiver of section 54.302 of the Commission's rules, which established a \$250 per line per month cap on high-cost universal service support for carriers generally. The *Adak/Windy City Waiver Order* also denied a request for waiver by Windy City Cellular, LLC (WCC) for waiver of section 54.307(e) of the Commission's rules, which established a \$250 per line per month cap on high-cost universal service support for competitive eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs).²

On August 14, 2013, AEE and WCC concurrently filed a petition for reconsideration of the *Adak/Windy City Waiver Order* and an application for review of the *Adak/Windy City Waiver Order*.³ In the petition for reconsideration, AEE and WCC specifically request that the Bureaus reconsider their denial of AEE's and WCC's respective petitions. In the application for review, AEE and WCC specifically request that the Commission reverse the *Adak/Windy City Waiver Order* on the bases that the Bureaus exceeded their authority.

¹ Adak Eagle Enterprises, LLC and Windy City Cellular, LLC Request for Waiver of Certain High-Cost Universal Service Rules, WC Docket No. 10-90, WT Docket No. 10-208, Order, DA 13-1578 (Wireline Comp. Bur. & Wireless Telecom. Bur. rel. July 15, 2013) (Adak/Windy City Waiver Order).

² *Id*.

³ Adak Eagle Enterprises, LLC and Windy City Cellular, LLC, Petition for Reconsideration of the Wireline Competition Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Decision in the July 15, 2013 FCC Order, WC Docket No. 10-90, WT Docket No. 10-208 (filed Aug. 14, 2013) (Petition for Reconsideration); Adak Eagle Enterprises, LLC and Windy City Cellular, LLC, Application for Review of the Wireline Competition Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Decision in the July 15, 2013 FCC Order, WC Docket No. 10-90, WT Docket No. 10-208 (filed Aug. 14, 2013) (Application for Review).

Pursuant to the Commission's rules,⁴ oppositions shall be filed within 15 days after the petition for reconsideration and application for review are filed and replies to oppositions shall be filed within 10 days after the opposition is filed. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).⁵

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/.
- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

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- 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.
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- (2) Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A452, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: Charles.Tyler@fcc.gov.

⁴ Pursuant to section 1.106, oppositions to a petition for reconsideration shall be filed within 10 days after the petition is filed, and replies to oppositions shall be filed within 7 days after the opposition is filed. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.106(g)-(h). In the interest of ease and clarity, since AEE and WCC filed a petition for reconsideration and an application for review concurrently, the Bureau will abide by the filing deadlines for the application for review. Consequently, pursuant to section 1.115, oppositions shall be filed within 15 days after the party's filing and replies to oppositions shall be filed within 10 days after the opposition is filed. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.115.

⁵ See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

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

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⁶ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 et seq.