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**REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON PETITION FILED BY PURPLE COMMUNICATIONS, INC.
REGARDING THE PROVISION OF BOTH INBOUND AND OUTBOUND FUNCTIONALITY
FOR INTERNET PROTOCOL CAPTIONED TELEPHONE SERVICES**

CG Docket Nos. 10-51 & 03-123

Comments: (15 days after date of publication in the Federal Register)

Reply Comments: (25 days after date of publication in the Federal Register)

On July 8, 2013, Purple Communications, Inc. (Purple) filed a petition (Purple Petition) requesting expedited clarification or partial reconsideration, or, alternatively, a waiver of one aspect of the *VRS Reform Order* regarding the use of Internet Protocol Captioned Telephone Service (IP CTS) through web or wireless technologies.¹ Specifically, Purple requests that the Commission clarify that footnote 122 of the *VRS Reform Order*, stating that “calls that are completed using a technology that does not provide both inbound and outbound functionality are not compensable from the TRS Fund,” does not apply when users access IP CTS through web and wireless services.² Purple asserts that this footnote, if left intact, would force Purple and other IP CTS providers to cease the provision of IP CTS using web and wireless applications because “there is no technology currently available that allows inbound IP CTS over web or wireless technologies to be captioned without some intermediary step.”³

Pursuant to Sections 1.429 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.429, we invite interested parties to file comments on the Purple Petition and to file reply comments on or before the dates specified above. All filings must reference **CG Docket Nos. 10-51 & 03-123**. Comments may be filed using the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings. Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting comments. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and **CG Docket Nos. 10-51 & 03-123**.

¹ Purple Communications, Inc., *Petition of Purple Communications, Inc. for Expedited Clarification or Partial Reconsideration or, Alternatively, a Waiver*, CG Docket Nos. 03-123 and 10-51 (filed July 8, 2013) (*Purple Petition*).

² Purple Petition at 1.

³ *Id.* at 1-2.

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A copy of this *Notice*, the Purple Petition and any subsequently filed documents in this matter will be available during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 418-0270. This *Notice*, Purple Petition and any subsequently filed documents in this matter may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor at its website, www.bcpweb.com, or call 1-800-378-3160. A copy of the submission may also be found by searching on ECFS (insert **CG Docket Nos. 10-51 & 03-123** into the Proceeding block).

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