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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES AVAILABLILTY OF STAFF PRESENTATIONS REGARDING CONNECT AMERICA PHASE II

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As a part of its open, transparent and deliberative process to implement Connect America Phase II (Phase II),¹ the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) presented two webinars about Phase II to state public utility commissions on September 11 and 12, 2013. Today, the Bureau makes PDF copies of the associated staff presentations available on the Commission's website. These presentations are available at http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/price-cap-resources.

The first presentation, titled "Connect America Phase II: Update on Implementation," provides an overview of Phase II and the Bureau's progress in implementing Phase II.

The second presentation, titled "Connect America Cost Model Overview," addresses the Connect America Phase II cost model. The presentation provides an overview of the model, the resources available to better understand the model, and information on how to access the model.

These staff presentations have also been submitted into the record in WC Docket 10-90.

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¹ Connect America Phase II will provide ongoing support to areas served by price cap carriers, including areas currently lacking broadband-capable infrastructure, using "a combination of a forward-looking broadband cost model and competitive bidding." *Connect America Fund et al.*, WC Docket 10-90 et al., Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 26 FCC Rcd 17663, 17673-74, paras. 23-25 (2011), *pets. for review pending sub nom. In re: FCC 11-161*, No. 11-9900 (10th Cir. filed Dec. 8, 2011).