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REQUEST FOR COMMENT ON PETITION FILED BY SPRINT CORPORATION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF CERTAIN RULES ADOPTED FOR INTERNET PROTOCOL CAPTIONED TELEPHONE SERVICE

CG Docket Nos. 13-24 & 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 September 30, 2013, Sprint Corporation (Sprint) filed a petition (Sprint Reconsideration Petition)¹ requesting reconsideration of certain rules adopted for Internet Protocol Captioned Telephone Service (IP CTS) in the *IP CTS Reform Order* of August 26, 2013.² First, Sprint asks that the Commission reconsider the rule prohibiting all providers from receiving compensation from the Interstate Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Fund (Fund) for minutes of use generated by consumers using IP CTS software and applications that consumers receive at no charge or purchase for less than \$75 on or after the effective date of the rule.³ Second, Sprint asks that the Commission modify its registration and certification requirements to allow access to IP CTS phones in public places.⁴ Third, Sprint seeks authorization to utilize wording that differs slightly from the Commission's required wording for labels warning consumers that only registered users of IP CTS may use IP CTS with captions turned on.⁵ Such labels must be adhered to IP CTS devices and displayed on the device screens of software-based IP CTS applications.⁶

Pursuant to section 1.429 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.429, we invite interested parties to file comments on the Sprint Reconsideration Petition and to file reply comments on or before the dates specified above. All filings must reference **CG Docket Nos. 13-24 & 03-123**. Comments may

¹ Sprint Corporation, *Petition for Reconsideration of Sprint Corporation*, CG Docket Nos. 13-24 and 03-123 (filed September 30, 2013) (Sprint Reconsideration Petition).

² Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket Nos. 13-24 and 03-123, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 13-118 (rel. Aug. 26, 2013) (IP CTS Reform Order).

³ Sprint Reconsideration Petition at 2-5. See 47 C.F.R. § 64.604(c)(11)(i).

⁴ Sprint Reconsideration Petition at 5-8. See 47 C.F.R. § 64.604(c)(9).

⁵ Sprint Reconsideration Petition at 8-9.

⁶ See 47 C.F.R. § 64.604(c)(11)(iii).

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. 13-24 & 03-123.

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 one additional copy for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th St., SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. The filing hours are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of <u>before</u> entering the building. 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. U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington DC 20554.

A copy of this *Notice*, the Sprint Reconsideration 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*, Sprint Petition and any subsequently filed documents in this matter may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor at its website, www.bcpiweb.com, or call 1-800-378-3160. A copy of the submission may also be found by searching on ECFS (insert **CG Docket Nos. 13-24 & 03-123** into the Proceeding block).

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