

Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of)	
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Federal-State Joint Board on)	CC Docket No. 96-45
Universal Service)	
)	
Kingsgate Telephone, Inc.)	
Petition for Waiver of the Definition)	
of "Study Area" in the Appendix –)	
Glossary of Part 36)	

ORDER

Adopted: July 15, 2014

Released: July 15, 2014

By the Acting Chief, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. On June 30, 2014, ETS Telephone Company, Inc. (ETS) requested a 60-day extension of time to file a study area waiver request in the above-captioned proceeding.¹ ETS claims that an extension is warranted because the employees who addressed this issue in 1996 are no longer with the company, the records required may be several years old and are not readily available, and ETS is a small company with few employees.²

2. We grant a 60-day extension, until September 16, 2014, of the deadline for ETS to file a study area waiver request.³ Although the Commission does not routinely grant extensions of time, we find the circumstances in this case constitute good cause. We urge ETS to use this extension of time to discuss its waiver request with other relevant incumbent local exchange carriers and the Public Utility Commission of Texas and to ensure that ETS files a complete request.

¹ Motion of ETS Telephone Company, Inc. for Extension of Time, CC Docket No. 96-45 (filed June 30, 2014) (ETS Motion).

² ETS Motion at 1.

³ 47 C.F.R. § 1.46.

3. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to sections 1-5 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 151-155, and sections 0.91, 0.291, and 1.46 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, and 1.46, that ETS Telephone Company, Inc.'s Motion for Extension of Time, IS GRANTED to the extent described herein.

4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, pursuant to section 1.102(b)(1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.102(b)(1), this Order SHALL BE EFFECTIVE upon release.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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