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**COMMISSION ANNOUNCES THAT PETITIONS FOR RULEMAKING MAY BE SUBMITTED ONLINE**

The Federal Communications Commission today announces the availability of an online-filing module for Petitions for Rulemaking that previously could be filed only on paper.

To the extent a petition for rulemaking applies to an already-open docket, it may be submitted electronically in that docket just as it would have been possible before. The “Submit a Filing” page of ECFS remains available for filing in any open docket.

To submit a new non-docketed petition for rulemaking electronically, go to the ECFS Home Page at <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs> and choose “Submit a Non-Docketed Filing.” From that page, select “Petition for Rulemaking” from the drop-down menu of FCC inboxes and from the drop-down menu of filing types.

After submitting the petition, the user will see a confirmation page indicating that the submission has been received and providing a confirmation number. The petition will become available to Commission staff and to the public, usually within one business day, in an inbox with the Proceeding Number “INBOX-1.401” and the Subject “Petition for Rulemaking.”

Online filing of petitions for rulemaking is optional. Paper filings of such petitions will still be accepted. With this expansion of its online-filing capabilities, the Commission continues to work toward the goal of providing such capabilities for every type of filing that the public might submit.

For further information, please contact ECFS help at ecfshelp@fcc.gov or 202-418-0193.

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