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**WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU UPDATES STAFF regression ANALYSIS from PEER REVIEW OF *EMPIRICS OF BUSINESS DATA SERVICES* white paper**

**WC Docket Nos. 16-143, 15-247, 05-25, RM-10593**

On June 28, 2016, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) submitted into the record in this proceeding materials related to the peer review of Prof. Marc Rysman’s paper, *Empirics of Business Data Services* (Rysman Paper), including peer review charge memoranda, peer review reports, a revised Rysman Paper, and a Commission staff memorandum separately addressing additional comments received from the peer reviewers (FCC Staff Memorandum).[[1]](#footnote-2) The Bureau also published these materials on the Commission’s Peer Review Agenda webpage.[[2]](#footnote-3)

The FCC Staff Memorandum included an Attachment 3 entitled “Competitive Effect of Cable Network Infrastructure” in which Commission staff modified the regressions in the Rysman Paper to account for competitive effects of hybrid fiber-coax cable (HFC) infrastructure.[[3]](#footnote-4) Staff have since determined that, due to an inadvertent coding error, nine of the fifty-five tables of regression results in Attachment 3 to the FCC Staff Memorandum require updating as well as portions of the text describing the results.[[4]](#footnote-5) The revised tables do not change the findings in Attachment 3 to the FCC Staff Memorandum.

Today, July 8, 2016, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) submitted into the record in this proceeding an updated Attachment 3 to the FCC Staff memorandum.[[5]](#footnote-6) The Bureau likewise updated the Commission’s Peer Review Agenda webpage with this updated Attachment 3 to the FCC Staff Memorandum.[[6]](#footnote-7) The Bureau has also made available the underlying code used by staff to run the regression analysis contained in Attachment 3 to the FCC Staff Memorandum to authorized parties within the NORC Data Enclave®.

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1. Letter from William Layton, Assistant Division Chief, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket Nos. 16-143, 15-247, 05-25, RM-10593 (dated June 28, 2016) (June 28 Letter); *Wireline Competition Bureau Releases Peer Review Materials in Business Data Services (Special Access) Rulemaking Proceeding*, WC Docket Nos. 16-143, 15-247, and 05-25, RM-10593, Public Notice, DA 16-728 (WCB rel. June 28, 2016); *see also* Marc Rysman, *Empirics of Business Data Services* White Paper (Apr. 2016), <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2016/db0628/> DOC-340040A1.pdf. [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Peer Review of Business Data Services Industry White Paper, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC, https://www.fcc.gov/peer-review-business-data-services-industry-white-paper. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. June 28 Letter, Memorandum from Wireline Competition Bureau, Peer Review of *Empirics of Business Data Services* White Paper by Dr. Marc Rysman, Attach. 3, “Competitive Effect of Cable Network Infrastructure” (dated June 28, 2016). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. The incorrect tables are 1.1a, 1.2a, 1.3a, 2.1a, 2.2a, 2.3a, 3.1a, 3.2a, and 3.3a. [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. *See* Letter from Deena Shetler, Associate Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket Nos. 16-143, 15-247, 05-25, RM-10593, Attach., Competitive Effect of Cable Network Infrastructure (revised July 8, 2016) (dated July 8, 2016); *see also* Marc Rysman, *Empirics of Business Data Services* White Paper (Apr. 2016), <http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2016/db0628/> DOC-340040A1.pdf. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
6. FCC Staff Memorandum, Peer Review of Business Data Services Industry White Paper, Wireline Competition Bureau, FCC, https://www.fcc.gov/peer-review-business-data-services-industry-white-paper. [↑](#footnote-ref-7)