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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON VERIZON PETITION FOR WAIVER OF THE COMMISSION'S RULE FOR TARIFFS REFERRING TO TARIFFS

WC Docket No. 17-308

Comment Date: December 11, 2017 Reply Comment Date: January 10, 2018

On October 26, 2017, Verizon New England Inc., Verizon New York Inc., Verizon Delaware LLC, Verizon Virginia LLC, Verizon Washington D.C. Inc., Verizon Pennsylvania LLC, Verizon Maryland LLC, Verizon New Jersey Inc., Verizon North LLC and Verizon South Inc. (Verizon) filed a petition for waiver of section 61.74(a) of the Commission's rules. Specifically, Verizon "requests a waiver of Rule 61.74(a) when one of Verizon's FCC tariffs references another."

Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated above. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

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¹ Verizon Petition for Limited Waiver of Rule 61.74(a) to Allow a Verizon Tariff to Reference Another, WC Docket No. 17-308 (filed Oct. 26, 2017).

² *Id.* at 1. See 47 CFR § 61.74(a) ("Except as otherwise provided in this and other sections of this part, no tariff publication filed with the Commission may make reference to any other tariff publication or to any other document or instrument").

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³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 et seq.