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COMMENT SOUGHT ON PETITIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE REPORT AND ORDER ON TRS FUND COMPENSATION FOR INTERNET PROTOCOL CAPTIONED TELEPHONE SERVICE

CG Docket Nos. 13-24, 10-51, and 03-123

Oppositions Due: [15 days after date of publication in the Federal Register] Replies Due: [10 days after date oppositions are due]

The Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (Bureau) of the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) seeks comment on two petitions for reconsideration of the *IP CTS Compensation Order*, in which the Commission set compensation rates for Internet Protocol Captioned Telephone Service (IP CTS) of \$1.42 per minute, effective December 1, 2020, through June 30, 2021, and \$1.30 per minute, effective July 1, 2021, through June 30, 2022.

IDT Telecom, Inc. (IDT), a contributor to the Telecommunications Relay Services (TRS) Fund, contends that, because the Commission reduced the IP CTS compensation rate for the current 2020-21 TRS Fund Year, the Commission also should have reduced the applicable Fund contribution factor.²

T-Mobile USA, Inc., on behalf of Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint Accessibility), an IP CTS provider, asserts the Commission did not have a reasoned basis for adopting a single cost-based rate rather than a tiered rate structure and did not adequately consider certain costs.³

Pursuant to sections 1.1 and 1.429 of the Commission's rules, we invite interested parties to file and serve oppositions to and replies to oppositions to this petition on or before the dates specified above.⁴ All filings must reference CG Docket Nos. 13-24, 10-51, and 03-123.

Oppositions and replies may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System

¹ Misuse of Internet Protocol (IP) Captioned Telephone Service; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program, CG Docket Nos. 13-24, 03-123, and 10-51, Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 35 FCC Rcd 10866 (2020) (IP CTS Compensation Order); FCC, Internet Protocol Captioned Telephone Service, 85 FR 64971 (Oct. 14, 2020).

² IDT Telecom Inc., Petition for Reconsideration, CG Docket Nos. 13-24, 10-51, and 03-123, at 2-3 (filed Oct. 30, 2020), https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/1030027812500/TRS%20IPCTS%20Rate%20Setting%20Final%2010302020.pdf. The TRS Fund contribution factors for 2020-21 were established by the Bureau in an earlier order. Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program, CG Docket Nos. 03-123 and 10-51, Order, 35 FCC Rcd 6649, 6657-58, paras. 22, 24, 26 (CGB 2020) (2020 TRS Compensation Order">https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/1030027812500/TRS Compensation Order.

³ T-Mobile USA, Inc., Sprint Communications Company L.P., CG Docket Nos. 13-24, 10-51, and 03-123, at 2-3 (filed Oct. 13, 2020), https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/111335346621/IP%20CTS%20Petition%20for%20Reconsideration%20-%20Sprint%20Accessibility%20-%2011.13.2020.pdf.

^{4 47} CFR §§ 1.1, 1.429.

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⁵ See FCC, Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (May 1, 1998).