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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT DATES FOR NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING IN ELIMINATING *EX ANTE* PRICING REGULATION AND TARIFFING OF TELEPHONE ACCESS CHARGES PROCEEDING

WC Docket No. 20-71

Comment Date: July 6, 2020

Reply Comment Date: August 4, 2020

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau announces that comments in response to the *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Notice)* in the *Eliminating Ex Ante Pricing Regulation and Tariffing of Telephone Access Charges* proceeding are due no later than July 6, 2020, and reply comments are due no later than August 5, 2020.¹ In the *Notice*, the Commission seeks comment on a number of proposals to eliminate *ex ante* pricing regulation and tariffing of all “Telephone Access Charges,” which represent the last handful of interstate end-user charges that remain subject to regulation.² The *Notice* also seeks comment on a proposal prohibiting all carriers from separately listing Telephone Access Charges on customers’ telephone bills after these charges are deregulated and detariffed.³

The *Notice* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 45 and 75 days after the summary of the *Notice* is published in the Federal Register,⁴ which occurred on May 21, 2020.⁵ Complete filing instructions are contained in the *Notice* and the Federal Register Notice.⁶

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¹ *Eliminating Ex Ante Pricing Regulation and Tariffing of Telephone Access Charges*, WC Docket No. 20-71, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 20-40 (Apr. 1, 2020) (*Notice*). The document is available on the Commission’s website at <https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-20-40A1.pdf>. The document also is available electronically via the Commission’s Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) website at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs> (by FCC Number, FCC 20-40) and via the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) website at <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/> (by docket number, WC Docket No. 20-71).

² *Notice* at 13-21, paras. 36-60.

³ *Notice* at 21-23, paras. 61-67.

⁴ *Notice* at 1.

⁵ FCC, *Eliminating Ex Ante Pricing Regulation and Tariffing of Telephone Access Charges*, 85 Fed. Reg. 30899 (May 21, 2020) (Federal Register Notice).

⁶ *Notice* at 31-32, paras. 97-98; Federal Register Notice, 85 Fed. Reg. at 30899.