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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU INVITES COMMENTS ON ICONECTIV PETITION FOR COMPETITIVE PROCUREMENT OF THE TOLL FREE NUMBERING ADMINISTRATOR

WC Docket No. 20-174 WC Docket No. 17-192 CC Docket No. 95-155

Comments Due: July 29, 2020 Reply Comments Due: August 13, 2020

The Wireline Competition Bureau seeks comment on a petition filed on June 11, 2020, by iconectiv, LLC requesting that the Commission implement a competitive procurement process to select the Toll Free Numbering Administrator.¹ The petition argues that the current process "is a vestige of a bygone era"² that "stands in sharp contrast to the pro-competitive, contract-based approach that the Commission has taken with respect to other numbering administrator roles[.]"³

Filing Requirements. Pursuant to section 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR § 1.419, interested parties may file comments on or before **July 29, 2020**, and reply comments on or before **August 13, 2020**. All filings should refer to WC Docket No. 20-174, WC Docket No. 17-192, or CC Docket No. 95-155. Filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. Comments may be filed by paper or by 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 Petition of iconectiv, LLC for Competitive Procurement of the Toll Free Numbering Administrator Role, Public Petition at 2, WC Docket No. 17-192, CC Docket No. 95-155 (filed Jun. 11, 2020), https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/filing/106110355629328.

² *Id*. at 3.

³ *Id*. at 1.

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⁴ In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the FCC has closed its current hand-delivery filing location at FCC Headquarters. We encourage outside parties to take full advantage of the Commission's electronic filing system. Any party that is unable to meet the filing deadline due to the building closure may request a waiver of the comment or reply comment deadline, to the extent permitted by law. *FCC Announces Closure of FCC Headquarters Open Window and Change in Hand-Delivery Filing*, Public Notice, DA 20-304 (rel. Mar. 19, 2020). https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-closes-headquarters-open-window-and-changes-hand-delivery-policy.

⁵ See 47 CFR §§ 1.1200(a), 1.1206.