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**PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE**

***8YY Access Charge Reform Order***

**WC Docket No. 18-156**

**Oppositions Due: [15 days after date of publication in the Federal Register]**

**Replies Due: [25 days after date of publication in the Federal Register]**

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) announces that USTelecom—The Broadband Association (USTelecom) has filed a petition for reconsideration of the *8YY Access Charge Reform Order.*[[1]](#footnote-3) USTelecom requests reconsideration of the portion of the *8YY Access Charge Reform Order* related to a revenue recovery mechanism for price cap incumbent local exchange carriers.[[2]](#footnote-4)

The Commission published a summary of the *8YY Access Charge Reform Order* in the Federal Register on November 27, 2020.[[3]](#footnote-5) Petitions for reconsideration were due by December 28, 2020.[[4]](#footnote-6) The Petition, filed December 28, 2020, is therefore timely filed.

As required by the Commission’s rules, the Commission will publish a separate notice in the Federal Register announcing the filing of the Petition.[[5]](#footnote-7)

 *Filing Requirements.* Pursuant to the Commission’s rules, oppositions to the Petition for Reconsideration must be filed no later than 15 days after the publication date of this Public Notice in the Federal Register and replies to oppositions must be filed no later than 10 days thereafter.[[6]](#footnote-8) Oppositions and replies may be filed using the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), or by filing paper copies.

* Electronic Filers: Oppositions and replies may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: [https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs.](https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/)
* Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing. Filings can be sent by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission’s Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
	+ Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701.
	+ U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail must be addressed to 45 L Street, NE, Washington, DC 20554.
	+ Effective March 19, 2020, and until further notice, the Commission no longer accepts any hand or messenger delivered filings. This is a temporary measure taken to help protect the health and safety of individuals, and to mitigate the transmission of COVID-19. *See* FCC Announces Closure of FCC Headquarters Open Window and Change in Hand-Delivery Policy, Public Notice, DA 20-304 (March 19, 2020), <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-closes-headquarters-open-window-and-changes-hand-delivery-policy>.

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 *Ex Parte Rules.* This proceeding shall continue to be treated as a “permit-but-disclose” proceeding in accordance with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules.[[7]](#footnote-9) Persons making *ex parte* presentations must file a copy of any written presentation or a memorandum summarizing any oral presentation within two business days after the presentation (unless a different deadline applicable to the Sunshine period applies). Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must (1) list all persons attending or otherwise participating in the meeting at which the *ex parte* presentation was made, and (2) summarize all data presented and arguments made during the presentation. If the presentation consisted in whole or in part of the presentation of data or arguments already reflected in the presenter’s written comments, memoranda or other filings in the proceeding, the presenter may provide citations to such data or arguments in his or her prior comments, memoranda, or other filings (specifying the relevant page and/or paragraph numbers where such data or arguments can be found) in lieu of summarizing them in the memorandum. Documents shown or given to Commission staff during *ex parte* meetings are deemed to be written *ex parte* presentations and must be filed consistent with rule 1.1206(b). In proceedings governed by rule 1.49(f) or for which the Commission has made available a method of electronic filing, written *ex parte* presentations and memoranda summarizing oral *ex parte* presentations, and all attachments thereto, must be filed through the electronic comment filing system available for that proceeding, and must be filed in their native format (e.g., .doc, .xml, .ppt, searchable .pdf). Participants in this proceeding should familiarize themselves with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules.

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1. *See* USTelecom—The Broadband Association Petition for Reconsideration, WC Docket No. 18-156 (filed Dec. 28, 2020) (Petition) (seeking partial reconsideration of *8YY Access Charge Reform*, WC Docket No. 18-156, Report and Order, 35 FCC Rcd 11594 (2020) (*8YY Access Charge Reform* *Order*)). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
2. Petition at 1. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
3. Federal Communications Commission, 8YY Charge Reform, 85 Fed. Reg. 75894 (Nov. 27, 2020). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
4. 47 CFR §§ 1.4(b)(1), (j), 1.429(d). [↑](#footnote-ref-6)
5. 47 CFR § 1.429(e). [↑](#footnote-ref-7)
6. 47 CFR §§ 1.429(f)-(g). [↑](#footnote-ref-8)
7. 47 CFR §§ 1.1200 *et seq.* [↑](#footnote-ref-9)