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**PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR COMMENT ON APPLICATIONS FOR STATE CERTIFICATION FOR THE PROVISION OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE**

**CG DOCKET NO. 03-123**

**Comments Due: May 1, 2023**

**Reply Comments Due: May 16, 2023**

Notice is hereby given that the states listed below have applied to the Commission for renewal of certification of their state telecommunications relay service (TRS) programs, for the five-year period from July 26, 2023 through July 25, 2028.[[1]](#footnote-3) Each state’s application for certification must demonstrate that its TRS program complies with section 225 of the Communications Act[[2]](#footnote-4) and the Commission’s rules governing the provision of TRS.[[3]](#footnote-5) This notice seeks public comment on the following state applications for certification, which can be found on the Commission’s website at: <https://www.fcc.gov/general/trs-state-and-territories>.

**File No: TRS-46-22 File No: TRS-19-22**

Alabama Public Service Commission Regulatory Commission of Alaska

State of Alabama State of Alaska

**File No: TRS-02-22 File No: TRS-47-22**

Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing Arkansas Deaf and Hearing Impaired

State of Arizona State of Arkansas

**File No: TRS-32-22 File No: TRS-23-22**

California Public Utilities Commission Colorado Public Utilities Commission

State of California State of Colorado

**File No: TRS-48-22 File No: TRS-35-22**

Public Utilities Regulatory Authority Delaware Department of Technology and Information

State of Connecticut State of Delaware

**File No: TRS-49-22 File No: TRS-50-22**

Public Service Commission Florida Public Service Commission

District of Columbia State of Florida

**File No: TRS-51-22 File No: TRS-22-22**

Georgia Public Service Commission Hawaii Public Utilities Commission

State of Georgia State of Hawaii

**File No: TRS-43-22 File No: TRS-10-22**

Idaho Public Service Commission Illinois Telecommunications Access Corporation

State of Idaho State of Illinois

**File No: TRS-08-22 File No: TRS-03-22**

Indiana Telephone Relay Access Corporation Iowa Utilities Board

State of Indiana State of Iowa

**File No: TRS-07-22 File No: TRS-52-22**

Kansas Corporation Commission Kentucky Public Service Commission

State of Kansas Commonwealth of Kentucky

**File No: TRS-13-22 File No: TRS-53-22**

Louisiana Relay Administration Board Maine Telecommunications Relay Service Council

State of Louisiana State of Maine

**File No: TRS-33-22 File No: TRS-34-22**

Telecommunications Access of Maryland Dept. of Telecommunications and Cable

State of Maryland Commonwealth of Massachusetts

**File No: TRS-54-22 File No: TRS-39-22**

Michigan Public Service Commission Minnesota Department of Commerce

State of Michigan Telecommunications Access Minnesota

 State of Minnesota

**File No: TRS-55-22 File No: TRS-15-22**

Mississippi Public Service Commission Missouri Public Service Commission

State of Mississippi State of Missouri

**File No: TRS-56-22 File No: TRS-40-22**

Montana Telecommunications Access ProgramNebraska Public Service Commission

State of MontanaState of Nebraska

**File No: TRS-25-22 File No: TRS-42-22**

Department of Health and Human Services New Hampshire Public Utilities

Aging and Disability Services State of New Hampshire

State of Nevada

**File No: TRS-45-22 File No: TRS-14-22**

New Jersey Board of Public Utilities Commission for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

State of New Jersey State of New Mexico

**File No: TRS-16-22 File No: TRS-30-22**

New York State Department of Public Service North Carolina Utilities Commission

State of New York State of North Carolina

**File No: TRS-12-22 File No: TRS-37-22**

North Dakota Public Service Commission Public Utilities Commission of Ohio

State of North Dakota State of Ohio

**File No: TRS-57-22 File No: TRS-36-22**

Oklahoma Telephone Association Public Utility Commission of Oregon

State of Oklahoma State of Oregon

**File No: TRS-58-22 File No: TRS-28-22**

Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission Telecommunications Bureau of Puerto Rico

Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Puerto Rico

**File No: TRS-59-22 File No: TRS-11-22**

Rhode Island Public Utilities Commission Office of Regulatory Staff

State of Rhode Island State of South Carolina

**File No: TRS-60-22 File No: TRS-20-22**

SD Department of Human Services Tennessee Public Utility Commission

Division of Rehabilitation Services State of Tennessee

State of South Dakota

**File No: TRS-17-22 File No: TRS-09-22**

Public Utility Commission of Texas Public Service Commission

State of Texas State of Utah

**File No: TRS-44-22 File No: TRS-04-22**

Vermont Department of Public Service Department for the Deaf and Hard of Hearing

State of Vermont Commonwealth of Virginia

**File No: TRS-27-22 File No: TRS-06-22**

Office of the Deaf and Hard of Hearing West Virginia Public Service Commission

State of Washington State of West Virginia

**File No: TRS-01-22 File No: TRS-18-22**

Public Service Commission of Wisconsin Wyoming Department of Workforce Services

State of Wisconsin Division of Vocational Rehabilitation

 State of Wyoming

 Pursuant to Sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission’s rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415 & 1.419, interested parties may file comments on or before **May 1, 2023**, and reply comments on or before **May 16, 2023**. All filings must reference **CG Docket No. 03-123** and the relevant state identification number of the state application for which comments are being submitted.

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).

* Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/filings>.
* 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.
	+ Currently, the Commission does not accept any hand delivered or messenger delivered filings as a temporary measure taken to help protect the health and safety of individuals, and to mitigate the transmission of COVID-19.  In the event that the Commission announces the lifting of COVID-19 restrictions, a filing window will be opened at the Commission’s office located at 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, Maryland 20701.[[4]](#footnote-6)
	+ 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 may be addressed to 45 L Street, NE, Washington, DC 20554.
	+ During the time the Commission’s building is closed to the general public and until further notice, if more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of a proceeding, paper filers need not submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number; an original and one copy are sufficient.

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1. Current state TRS certifications expire July 25, 2023. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
2. Section 225 states, in pertinent part, that the Commission may approve a state’s application if it determines that the state’s program makes available TRS “in a manner that meets or exceeds” the Commission’s TRS requirements and “the program makes available adequate procedures and remedies for enforcing the requirements of the State program.” 47 U.S.C. §§ 225(f)(2)(A), (B). [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
3. 47 CFR §§ 64.601 *et seq.* [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
4. *See FCC Announces Closure of FCC Headquarters Open Window and Change in Hand-Delivery Policy*, Public Notice, 35 FCC Rcd 2788 (OMD 2020), <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-closesheadquarters-open-window-and-changes-hand-delivery-policy>. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)