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**WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES EFFECTIVE DATES OF 2025  
INCARCERATED PEOPLE'S COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES RULES AND  
COMMENT DATES FOR 2025 INCARCERATED PEOPLE'S COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES  
FURTHER NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING**

**WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375**

**Comments Due: January 5, 2026**

**Reply Comments Due: February 3, 2026**

On November 6, 2025, the Commission released the *2025 IPCS Order*, further implementing the Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act of 2022 and adopting revised rules and interim rate caps governing incarcerated people's communications services (IPCS).<sup>1</sup> By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) announces that the *2025 IPCS Order* was published in the Federal Register on December 5, 2025.<sup>2</sup> According to the terms of that *Order*, the rules and interim rate caps adopted therein take effect upon publication in the Federal Register and compliance with those rules is required 120 days after such publication or on **April 6, 2026**.<sup>3</sup>

By this Public Notice, the Bureau announces that the *2025 IPCS Further Notice* was also published in the Federal Register on December 5, 2025.<sup>4</sup> The *2025 IPCS Further Notice* requires that comments and reply comments be filed no later than 30 days and 60 days, respectively, after publication in the Federal Register.<sup>5</sup> Comments in response to the *2025 IPCS FNPRM* are therefore due no later than **January 5, 2026**, and reply comments are due no later than **February 3, 2026**. The *2025 IPCS Further Notice* and the *2025 IPCS Further Notice Federal Register Notice* contain complete filing instructions.<sup>6</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *Incarcerated People's Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375, Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 25-75 (rel. Nov. 6, 2025) (*2025 IPCS Order* or *Order* or *2025 IPCS Further Notice*).

<sup>2</sup> Federal Communications Commission, *Incarcerated People's Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, 90 Fed. Reg. 56013 (Dec. 5, 2025).

<sup>3</sup> *2025 IPCS Order* at 42-43, paras. 87-89.

<sup>4</sup> Federal Communications Commission, *Incarcerated People's Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, 90 Fed. Reg. 56115 (Dec. 5, 2025) (*2025 IPCS Further Notice Federal Register Notice*).

<sup>5</sup> *2025 IPCS Order* at 57, para. 132.

<sup>6</sup> See *2025 IPCS Order* at 55-56, paras. 123-24; *2025 IPCS FNPRM Federal Register Notice*, 90 Fed. Reg. at 56120-21.

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