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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON THE PUBLIC INTEREST PARTIES' APPLICATION FOR REVIEW OF THE 2025 IPCS WAIVER ORDER

WC Docket Nos. 23-62 and 12-375

Oppositions Due: August 29, 2025
Replies to Oppositions Due: September 15, 2025

By this *Public Notice*, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) notifies interested parties of the filing deadlines for oppositions, and replies thereto, to an Application for Review filed by the Public Interest Parties.¹ The Public Interest Parties seek review of the Bureau's industry waiver order, which temporarily suspends the compliance deadlines for rules adopted in the 2024 Incarcerated People's Communications Services (IPCS) Order² until April 1, 2027, or any alternative date the Commission sets as part of further action in the IPCS proceeding.³ Oppositions to the Public Interest Parties' Application for Review are due on **August 29, 2025**, and replies to oppositions are due on **September 15, 2025**.

Filing Requirements. Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file oppositions and reply to oppositions on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. All filings must refer to **WC Docket Nos. 23-62 and 12-375**.⁴

- **Electronic Filers:** Comments may be filed electronically using the Commission's online Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS): <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/>.⁵
- **Paper Filers:** Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing.

¹ See Application for Review of the Public Interest Parties, WC Docket Nos. 23-62 and 12-375, at 1 (filed July 30, 2025), <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/10731681711939/1> (the Public Interest Parties include the Benton Institute for Broadband & Society, the Criminal Justice Reform Clinic of Lewis & Clark Law School, National Consumer Law Center, Pennsylvania Prison Society, Prison Policy Initiative, Public Knowledge, Stephen A. Raheer, United Church of Christ Media Justice Ministry, and Worth Rises).

² *Incarcerated People's Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62 and 12-375, Report and Order, Order on Reconsideration, Clarification and Waiver, and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 39 FCC Rcd 7647 (2024).

³ *Incarcerated People's Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62 and 12-375, Order, DA 25-565 (WCB June 30, 2025).

⁴ All filings relating to this Public Notice should refer *only* to the dockets listed here.

⁵ See Federal Communications Commission, Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (May 1, 1998).

- Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial courier, or by the U.S. Postal Service. All filings must be addressed to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.
- Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary are accepted between 8:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. by the FCC's mailing contractor at 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of before entering the building.
- Commercial courier deliveries (any deliveries not by the U.S. Postal Service) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701.
- Filings sent by U.S. Postal Service First-Class Mail, Priority Mail, and Priority Mail Express must be sent to 45 L Street NE, Washington, DC 20554.
- *People with Disabilities:* To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530.

Permit but Disclose Ex Parte Communications. For the purposes of the Commission's *ex parte* rules, each petition addressed within this Public Notice will be treated as initiating a permit-but-disclose proceeding under the Commission's rules.⁶ 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.

Additional Information. For further information, please contact Shabbir Hamid, Pricing Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at 202-418-2328 or at Shabbir.Hamid@fcc.gov.

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⁶ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*