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**PROCEDURES AND OTHER REQUIREMENTS REGARDING PETITION FOR
RECONSIDERATION FILED BY SZ DJI TECHNOLOGY CO., LTD. AND APPLICATION
FOR REVIEW FILED BY AUTEL ROBOTICS CO., LTD.**

ET DOCKET NOS. 26-22 AND 26-23

Oppositions Due: April 6, 2026
Replies to Oppositions Due: May 11, 2026

By this Public Notice, the Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) announces the procedures, updated docket numbers, corrected deadlines, and other requirements applicable to the Petition for Reconsideration (Petition) filed by SZ DJI Technology Co., Ltd. (DJI) and the Application for Review (AFR or Application) filed by Autel Robotics Co., Ltd. (Autel).

Background. On December 22, 2025, the FCC added to the Covered List uncrewed aircraft systems (UAS) and UAS critical components produced in foreign countries and equipment and services listed in section 1709 of the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025 (FY2025 NDAA) (collectively, Covered UAS and UAS Critical Components).¹ Following a further specific determination from the Department of War (DoW), that Covered List addition was updated on January 7, 2026, to remove from the Covered List certain categories of UAS and UAS critical components until January 1, 2027.²

On January 21, 2026, DJI submitted its Petition requesting reconsideration of the UAS Public Notice modifying the Covered List “to include all of DJI’s communications and video surveillance equipment and services.”³

Also on January 21, 2026, Autel submitted an AFR of the UAS Public Notice and Second UAS Public Notice, “insofar as those . . . actions (i) categorically designate Autel’s [UAS] and UAS critical components as ‘covered’ based on an industry-wide classification untethered to any entity-specific determination, (ii) designate Autel’s video equipment and services and all its communications equipment

¹ *Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Announces Addition of Uncrewed Aircraft Systems (UAS) and UAS Critical Components Produced Abroad, and Equipment and Services Listed In Section 1709 of the FY2025 NDAA, to FCC Covered List*, WC Docket No. 18-89, Public Notice, DA 25-1086 (Dec. 22, 2025) (*UAS Public Notice*).

² *Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Announces Exemption of Uncrewed Aircraft Systems (UAS) and UAS Critical Components from FCC Covered List*, WC Docket No. 18-89, Public Notice, DA 26-22 (Jan. 7, 2026) (*Second UAS Public Notice*).

³ Petition for Reconsideration of SZ DJI Technology Co., Ltd., <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/1012210243026/1> (filed January 21, 2026).

and services as ‘covered,’ and (iii) exclude Autel from the exemption framework available to similarly situated manufacturers.”⁴

Updated Docket Numbers. While the Petition and the Application were initially filed in WC Docket No. 18-89, ET Docket No. 21-232, and EA Docket No. 21-233, OET and the Office of Managing Director (OMD) opened distinct dockets for these matters on January 29, 2026.⁵ The new dockets, captioned “In the Matter of SZ DJI Technology Co., Ltd.” in ET Docket No. 26-22, and “In the Matter of Autel Robotics Co., Ltd.” in ET Docket No. 26-23, should be used for all filings related to the Petition and Application respectively.

Filing Deadlines. We clarify that the deadline for filing oppositions to DJI’s Petition and Autel’s Application is **April 6, 2026**, and the corrected deadline for filing replies to those oppositions is **May 11, 2026**. These dates reflect an administrative correction as previously published in the Federal Register⁶ and, in recognition that the previously published deadline for replies falls on a Saturday (May 9), we clarify that parties may meet that deadline by filing on the next business day (May 11).⁷

Service Requirements. We waive *sua sponte* the service requirement for DJI’s Petition and Autel’s Application. Section 1.3 provides that the Commission may waive its rules and requirements where there is “good cause shown” to do so.⁸ Good cause, in turn, may be found “where particular facts would make strict compliance inconsistent with the public interest.”⁹ A waiver is therefore “appropriate only if special circumstances warrant a deviation from the general rule and such deviation will serve the public interest.”¹⁰

We find good cause to waive the service requirements in sections 1.106(g)-(h) and 1.115(f) of the Commission’s rules¹¹ for oppositions and replies to the Petition and Application, and instead allow parties to file such documents in the Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). The DJI Petition and Autel AFR present special circumstances that warrant a deviation from the general service rule because the rule would unduly burden filers by requiring them to individually serve each party, which may be affected by potentially broad participation. In a similar context where a proceeding involves twenty or more parties, the Commission allows a public notice to take the place of individualized service by the Commission.¹² A waiver of the service rule also will serve the public interest by reducing the burden of filing oppositions or

⁴ Application for Review of Autel Robotics Co., Ltd.: <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/document/10121050848612/1> (filed Jan. 21, 2026) (emphasis omitted).

⁵ Public Notice, Report No. 3232 (Jan 29, 2026).

⁶ Office of Engineering and Technology established Filing Deadline for Oppositions and Replies in Federal Register Notice, 91 FR 5245 (pub Feb 5, 2026); and Correction Notice, 91 FR 7222 (pub Feb 17, 2026).

⁷ See 47 CFR § 1.4(j).

⁸ *Id.* § 1.3 (“Any provision of the rules may be waived by the Commission on its own motion or on petition if good cause therefor is shown.”).

⁹ *Ne. Cellular Tel. Co. v. FCC*, 897 F.2d 1164, 1166 (D.C. Cir. 1990). In making this determination, the Commission may “take into account considerations of hardship, equity, or more effective implementation of overall policy.” *WAIT Radio v. FCC*, 418 F.2d 1153, 1159 (D.C. Cir. 1969).

¹⁰ *Ne. Cellular Tel. Co.*, 897 F.2d at 1166.

¹¹ 47 CFR §§ 1.106(g)-(h), 1.115(f).

¹² 47 CFR § 1.47(a) (“In proceedings involving a large number of parties, and unless otherwise provided by statute, the Commission may satisfy its service obligation by issuing a public notice that identifies the documents required to be served and that explains how parties can obtain copies of the documents.”); *id.* § 1.47(a), note to paragraph (a) (“The Commission expects that service by public notice will be used only in proceedings with 20 or more parties.”).

replies, thereby encouraging participation by interested parties. In this limited circumstance, we find that the filing of oppositions and replies in ECFS will provide a suitable alternative to individualized service.

Ex Parte Presentations. We designate these proceedings as “permit-but-disclose” proceedings in accordance with the Commission’s *ex parte* rules.¹³ These proceedings present issues that merit broad participation concerning communications equipment and services deemed to pose an unacceptable risk to the national security of the United States or the security and safety of United States persons. Designating these proceedings as “permit-but-disclose” serves the public interest by making it easier for stakeholders to communicate with Commission staff while increasing transparency for the public. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one- or two-sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. Other provisions pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in section 1.1206(b) of the Commission’s rules.

Filing Procedures. Under the Commission’s current procedures for the submission of filings and other documents, interested parties may file oppositions and replies on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. Submissions may be filed electronically through the Commission’s ECFS or by filing paper copies. We strongly encourage interested parties to file electronically. **All filings regarding the Petition should include the docket number established for this purpose: ET 26-22; and all filings regarding the Application should include the docket number established for this purpose: ET 26-23.**

Electronic Filers: Documents may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS at <http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs>. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting documents. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket number, ET Docket No. 26-22 or ET Docket No. 26-23.

Paper Filers: Parties that 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 Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. Commercial courier deliveries (any deliveries not by the U.S. Postal Service Mail) must be sent to 9050 Junction Drive, Annapolis Junction, MD 20701. Filings sent by U.S. Postal Service First-Class, Priority Mail, and Priority Mail Express must be sent to 45 L Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20554.

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¹³ 47 CFR §§ 1.1200(a), 1.1206.