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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU REMINDS PROVIDERS OF INCARCERATED PEOPLE'S COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES OF THE JUNE 1, 2026 DEADLINE FOR ANNUAL REPORTS AND CERTIFICATIONS

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By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) reminds providers of incarcerated people's communications services (IPCS) that Annual Reports and Certifications, which are ordinarily due April 1 of each year, pursuant to section 64.6060 of the Commission's rules,¹ are due on June 1, 2026, this year consistent with the Bureau's March 2026 *Public Notice* extending the filing deadline.² The current forms and instructions, which are suitable for use for this year's Annual Reports and Certifications are available at <https://www.fcc.gov/general/ipcs>.³ All required data must be submitted using the electronic Word and Excel templates provided by the Commission, and in a machine-readable and manipulable format.⁴ Public versions of the reports shall also be filed in the electronic Word and Excel templates provided by the Commission, and in a machine-readable and manipulable format, using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) at <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs>.⁵

Any request for confidential treatment must adhere to the standard set forth in section 0.459(b) of the Commission's rules,⁶ as applied in the *ICS Annual Report Transparency Order*.⁷ In that *Order*, the Bureau explained that information in the then-current Annual Reports regarding "facility names, inmate calling services rates, [and] the amounts of ancillary service charges" was not entitled to confidential treatment, given the "strong public interest in transparency surrounding rates, charges, terms, and fees for

¹ 47 CFR § 64.6060.

² The Annual Reports filing deadline was extended for 2026 filings by the Bureau in an Order released on February 25, 2026. See *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 26-189, at 1 (WCB Feb. 25, 2026); see also *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Providers of Incarcerated People's Communications Services of the June 1, 2026 Deadline for Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375, Public Notice, DA 26-276 (WCB Mar. 23, 2026).

³ In preparing their annual reports, IPCS providers should use the current annual reporting instructions, templates and certification form listed at the indicated site.

⁴ Incarcerated People's Communications Services Annual Reporting and Annual Certification Forms (FCC Forms 2301(a) and 2301(b)) Instructions at 5, available at <https://www.fcc.gov/general/ipcs> (Current IPCS Annual Reporting Instructions).

⁵ See *id.*; Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (May 1, 1998).

⁶ 47 CFR § 0.459(b); see *id.* § 0.459(c) (specifying that "[c]asual requests [for confidential treatment] (including simply stamping pages 'confidential') . . . will not be considered").

⁷ *Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket No. 12-375, Order, 35 FCC Rcd 9267 (WCB 2020) (*ICS Annual Report Transparency Order*).

inmate calling services.”⁸ The Bureau also denied confidential treatment of information on average daily population, because it found no persuasive reason for protecting such information from public disclosure.⁹ These same confidentiality determinations applied to the Annual Reports filed in 2021 through 2025,¹⁰ and remain applicable to the Annual Reports due June 1, 2026, providing required information for calendar year 2025.

As a result, the Bureau expects the majority of each Annual Report to be filed publicly via ECFS, with only limited requests, if necessary, for redaction from public inspection. We remind providers that requests for confidential treatment will be reviewed and will not be granted unless warranted.¹¹

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⁸ *Id.* at 9267, para. 1.

⁹ *Id.*

¹⁰ *Wireline Competition Bureau Announces OMB Approval of Revised IPCS Annual Reporting and Certification Requirements*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375, Public Notice, 40 FCC Rcd 7457 (WCB 2025); *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Providers of Inmate Calling Services of the April 1, 2024 Deadline for Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375, Public Notice, 39 FCC Rcd 1472 (WCB 2024); *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Providers of Inmate Calling Services of the April 1, 2023 Deadline for Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket No. 12-375, Public Notice, 38 FCC Rcd 1377 (WCB 2023); *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Providers of Inmate Calling Services of the April 1, 2022 Deadline for Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket No. 12-375, Public Notice, 37 FCC Rcd 1214 (WCB 2022); *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Providers of Inmate Calling Services of the April 1, 2021 Deadline for Annual Reports and Certifications*, WC Docket No. 12-375, Public Notice, 36 FCC Rcd 4764 (WCB 2021).

¹¹ *See 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, Protective Order, 38 FCC Rcd 2498, 2500, para. 4 (WCB 2023).