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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU REMINDS RIP-AND-REPLACE PROGRAM RECIPIENTS OF THEIR AUGUST 10, 2026 SPENDING REPORT FILING OBLIGATION

WC Docket No. 18-89

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) reminds recipients¹ in the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement Program (Rip-and-Replace Program or Program) of their obligation to file reimbursement spending reports with the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) “[w]ithin 10 days after the end of January and July . . . starting with the recipient’s initial draw down of reimbursement funds.”² All recipients that have been notified of the approval of a reimbursement claim request and have not submitted their final spending report must submit their next spending report by August 10, 2026. For additional information about Rip-and-Replace Program spending report requirements, please refer to the *Initial Spending Report Public Notice*.³ For information on procedures for submitting spending reports, see the User Guide on spending reports, which is available on the Rip-and-Replace Program webpage, <https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/reimbursement>.

¹ The Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Act of 2019, as amended, defines “recipient” as “any provider of advanced communications service the application of which for a reimbursement under the [Reimbursement] Program has been approved by the Commission, regardless of whether the provider has received reimbursement funds.” Secure and Trusted Communications Act of 2019, Pub. L. No. 116-124, 134 Stat. 158, § 9(11) (2019) (codified as amended at 47 U.S.C. § 1608(11)), as amended by Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2021, Pub. L. No. 116-260, § 901, 134 Stat. 1182 (2021), and as further amended by the Servicemember Quality of Life Improvement and National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2025, H.R. 5009, 118th Cong. (2024); *see also* 47 CFR § 1.50001(h) (“The term ‘Reimbursement Program recipient’ or ‘recipient’ means an eligible advanced communications service provider that has requested via application and been approved for funding in the Reimbursement Program, regardless of whether the provider has received reimbursement funds.”).

² 47 CFR § 1.50004(1)(1); *see also* *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs*, WC Docket No. 18-89, Second Report and Order, 35 FCC Rcd 14284, 14360, para. 188 (2020) (*2020 Supply Chain Order*). This reporting obligation terminates once the recipient has filed a “final spending report showing the expenditure of all funds received as compared to the estimated costs” submitted. 47 CFR § 1.50004(1)(2). The final spending report is due after the filing of a final certification by the recipient. *2020 Supply Chain Order*, 35 FCC Rcd at 14360, para. 188. Specifically, the final spending report is due “no later than 60 days after the expiration of the program participant’s reimbursement claim deadline.” *Protecting Against National Security Threats to the Communications Supply Chain Through FCC Programs*, WC Docket No. 18-89, Third Report and Order, 36 FCC Rcd 11958, 12000, para. 105 (2021).

³ *Wireline Competition Bureau Reminds Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement Program Recipients of Their Spending Report Filing Obligation*, WC Docket No. 18-89, Public Notice, DA 23-25 (WCB Jan. 11, 2023).

Recipients must submit their spending reports through the Supply Chain Reimbursement Program Online Portal, <https://fccprod.servicenow.services.com/scrp> by completing FCC Form 5640 Part L: Spending Reports. Requests for confidential treatment must be submitted by filing a written request electronically in WC Docket No. 18-89 in the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs>.

Additional Information and Resources. Recipients with questions may contact the Fund Administrator Help Desk by email at SCRPFundAdmin@fcc.gov or by calling (202) 418-7540 from 9:00 AM ET to 5:00 PM ET, Monday through Friday, except for Federal holidays. General information and Commission documents regarding the Reimbursement Program are available on the Reimbursement Program webpage, <https://www.fcc.gov/supplychain/reimbursement>.

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