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BRAZOS TELECOMMUNICATIONS, INC. AND BRAZOS TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC. FILED A PETITION FOR WAIVER OF SECTION 36.611 OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES AAD 97-66

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Comment Date: June 26, 1997 July 7, 1997 Reply Date:

On May 9, 1997, Brazos Telephone Cooperative, Inc. ("Brazos") and its subsidiary Brazos Telecommunications, Inc. filed a petition for waiver of Section 36.611 of the Commission's rules to permit Brazos to receive universal service fund support using calculations different from those specified in our rules.

Interested parties may file comments on the petition on or before June 26, 1997, and reply comments on or before July 7, 1997, with the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222, Washington, D.C. 20554. Comments and reply comments should reference AAD 97-66. Four (4) copies should also be sent to Adrian Wright, Competitive Safeguards Branch, Common Carrier Bureau, Room 257, 2000 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20554, and one (1) copy should be sent to the Commission's contractor for public service record duplication: International Transcription Service (ITS), 2100 M Street, N.W., Suite 140, Washington, D.C. 20037. Copies of the petition may be obtained from the Accounting and Audits Division's public reference room, Room 812, 2000 L Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. Copies are also available from ITS at (202) 857-3800.

We will treat this proceeding as a permit-but-disclose proceeding for purposes of the Commission's ex parte rules. See generally, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200-1.1206. However, if this waiver petition is opposed, it will be treated as a restricted proceeding under the Commission's ex parte rules. See generally, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1208. For further information contact Adrian Wright at (202) 418-0840.

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