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July 10, 2001

OPEN PROCEEDINGS

The following is a listing of current FCC Notices of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRMs) and Notices of Inquiry (NOIs) open for public comment; however, routine petitions to amend the Table of Allotments are not included. This listing also includes pertinent Public Notices (PNs) announcing comment subjects and dates. For additional information, contact Marilyn Abraham, Consumer Information Bureau at (202) 418-2374. Please note: as comment and reply comment periods expire, they are deleted from this listing. An asterisk indicates the comment period deadline has past, but the reply comment period is still open.

CABLE SERVICES BUREAU

CS 98-120, 00-96, 00-2; ORDER 04/25/01 (adopted 04/24/01); FCC 01-22

Carriage of Digital Television Broadcast Signals and Implementation of the Satellite Home Viewer Improvement Act of 1999.

Order issued to extend the period for filing comments on the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking for the above captioned proceeding. Comments due June 11*; replies due July 26. Contact: Eloise Gore at (202) 418-7200.

MM 92-266; ORDER 05/17/01 (05/15/01); DA 01-1219

In the Matter of Implementation of Section 3 of the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Competition Act of 1992.

The Commission ordered cable systems subject to the price survey requirements described in the above-captioned proceeding to complete and return the questionnaire no later than July 21.

CS 01-129; NOI 06/25/01 (adopted 06/20/01); FCC 01-191

In the Matter of Annual Assessment of the Status of Competition in the Market for the Delivery of Video Programming.

The Commission seeks information that will allow it to evaluate the status of competition in the video marketplace, prospects for new entrants to that market, and its effect on the cable television industry and consumers. Comments due August 3; replies due September 5. Contact: Marcia Glauber at (202) 418-7200 (VOICE), (202) 418-7172 TTY.

COMMON CARRIER BUREAU

CC 96-45; 98-171; NPRM 05/08/01 (adopted 04/26/01); FCC 01-145

Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service; 1998 Biennial Regulatory Review Streamlining Contributor Reporting Requirements et al.

Proposed streamlining and reforming both the manner in which the Commission assesses carrier contributions to the universal service fund and the manner in which carriers may recover those costs from their customers. Comments due 30 days from publication in the Federal Register; replies due 45 days from publication in the Federal Register.

CC 01-117; PN 06/04/01; DA 01-1348

Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on Mpower Petition for Forbearance and Rulemaking.

On May 25, 2001, Mpower Communications Corp. filed a petition for forbearance and rulemaking requesting that the Commission establish a new flexible contract mechanism, that would be in addition to the UNE "safety net." Comments due July 3*; replies due July 18. Contact: Janice M. Myles at (202) 418-1580.

PN 06/07/01; DA 01-1376

Comments Sought on Cost Allocation Manual Filed by SBC Communications

On May 29, 2001, pursuant to Section 64.903 of the Commission's rules, SBC Communications, Inc. filed revisions to its consolidated cost allocation manual for Nevada Bell, Pacific Bell and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Comments due July 9*; replies due July 24. Contact: Ed Dashkin at (202) 418-0806 (VOICE), (202) 418-0484 TTY.

PN 06/08/01; DA 01-1403

Commission Seeks Further Comment in Phase 2 of the Comprehensive Review of the Accounting Requirements and Armis Reporting Requirements for Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers.

The Commission seeks comment on the additions, consolidations, or eliminations of Class A and Class B accounts listed in the attachment to the Public Notice referenced above. Comments due 20 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies due 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

CC 01-125; PN 06/15/01; DA 01-1394

Commission Seeks Comment on Application for Consent to Transfer Control Filed by Berkshire Cable Corporation d/b/a Berkshire Long Distance and Citizens Communications Company.

On May 21, 2001, Berkshire Cable Corporation d/b/a Berkshire Long Distance and Citizens Communications Company filed applications pursuant to sections 214 and 310(d) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § § 214, 310(d), requesting Commission approval to transfer control to Citizens of Commission, licenses and authorizations held by Berkshire to provide domestic and international telecommunications services. Comments due within 30 days following the release of the Public Notice. Final action will be taken 31 days following the date of the Public Notice. Contact: Aaron Goldberger at (202) 418-1580.

CC 96-45; PN 06/15/01; DA 01-1414

M&L Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Skyline Telephone Company Petition for Waiver of Sections 36.611, 36.612 and 69.2(HH) "Universal Service Fund" of the Commission's Rules.

On May 25, 2001, M&L Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Skyline Telephone Company, filed a petition for waiver of 47 C.F.R. Sections 36.611, 36.612 and 69.2 (hh) of the Commission's rules. Comments due June 29*; replies due July 16. Contact: Antoinette Stevens at (202) 418-7400.

CC 01-126; PN 06/15/01; DA 01-1445

Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on Qwest Petition for Waiver to Provide Operator-Assisted Reverse Directory Assistance Services.

On June 8, 2001, Qwest Corporation filed a petition for authority to provide operator assisted reverse directory assistance services on an integrated basis. Comments due July 2*; replies due July 12. Contact: Jance Myles at (202) 418-1580.

CC 96-45; PN 06/20/01; DA 01-1458

Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comment on Translation of Cost Model to Delphi Computer Language and Announces Posting of Updated Cost Model.

The Commission seeks comment on whether it should use the Delphi version for purposes of calculating support amounts for 2002. Comments due 45 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies due 60 days after publication in the Federal Register. Contact: Katie King or Tom Buckley at (202) 418-0725.

CC 96-150; PN 06/21/01; DA 01-1462

Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comments on Verizon Section 272 Compliance Biennial Audit Report.

The Commission seeks comment on the above captioned report. Comments due August 20.
Contact: Hugh L. Boyle at (202) 418-7147 or Anthony Dale at (202) 418-2260.

CC 01-138; PN 06/21/01; DA 01-1486

Comments Requested on the Application by Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc. for Authorization under Section 271 of the Communications Act to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Service in the State of Pennsylvania.

On June 21, 2001, Verizon Pennsylvania, Inc., Verizon Long Distance, Verizon Enterprise Solutions, Verizon Global Networks Inc., and Verizon Select Services, Inc. filed an application for authorization to provide in-region, interLATA service in the State of Pennsylvania, pursuant to section 271 of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 271. Comments due July 11; replies due August 6. Contact: Robert S. Tanner at (202) 418-1535.

CC 95-155; PN 06/22/01; DA 01-1463

Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comment on AT&T Corporation's Request for Declaratory Ruling and Clarification of Changes to the Toll-Free Number Administration System. Pleading Cycle Established.

The Commission seeks comment on the following concerns in the above captioned proceeding: (1) The issues raised in the AT&T Petition; (2) The economic impact on businesses of compliance with the Keller-Wade Letter; (3) Whether another extension of time is needed to comply with the Keller-Wade Letter, and, if so, the amount of time required; and (4) Alternative solutions for preventing toll-free numbers from being transferred between subscribers. Comments due July 12; replies due July 23. Contact: Jennifer Gorny at (202) 418-2320 (VOICE), (202) 418-0484 TTY.

PN 06/22/01; DA 01-1490

ITC^DeltaCom, Inc. Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status under the Public Utility Holding Company Act. Pleading Cycle Established.

On May 25, 2001, ITC^DeltaCom Inc., pursuant to section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. §§ 79 *et seq.*, as amended by section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a determination by the Commission that it is an "exempt telecommunications company". Comments due July 9*; replies due July 16. Contact: Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325 or Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2353 (VOICE), (202) 418-0484 TTY.

PN 06/22/01; DA 01-1491

AFN Finance Company No. 1, LLC, Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status under the Public Utility Holding Company Act. Pleading Cycle Established.

On May 31, 2001, AFN Finance Company No. 1, LLC, pursuant to section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. §§ 79 *et seq.*, as amended by section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a determination by the Commission that it is an "exempt telecommunications company". Comments due July 9*; replies due July 16. Contact: Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325 or Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2323 (VOICE), (202) 418-0484 TTY.

CC 97-213; PN 06/22/01; DA 01-1494

Common Carrier Bureau Extends Preliminary Extension Date for CALEA Section 103 Compliance for Wireline Carriers to September 30, 2001.

The wireline telecommunications carriers listed in the Public Notice Appendices in the above captioned proceeding have filed petitions with the Commission seeking extensions of the deadline for complying with the capability requirements of section 103 of the Communications Assistance for Law Enforcement Act, as provided in Section 107(c) of CALEA. Comments due July 11; replies due July 23. Contact: Gayle Teicher at (202) 418-1515.

CC 80-286; PN 06/22/01; DA 01-1496

Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comment on Proposed Streamlined ARMIS 43-04 (Jurisdictional Separations) Report.

On May 22, 2001, the Commission adopted the recommendation of the Federal-State Joint Board to impose an interim freeze of certain jurisdictional cost categories and allocation factors. Comments due 20 days after date of publication in the Federal Register; replies due 35 days after date of publication in the Federal Register. Contact: Andrew Multz at (202) 418-0827.

CC 01-139; PN 06/25/01; DA 01-1517

Pleading Cycle Established for Comments on Application of Iowa for Order Pursuant to Section 251(H)(2).

On June 18, 2001, Iowa Telecommunications Service, Inc. filed an application requesting that the Commission issue an order, pursuant to section 251(h)(2) of the Communications Act, deeming Lost Nation-Elwood Telephone Company to be the incumbent local exchange carrier in Oxford Junction Iowa, and reclassifying Iowa Telecom as a competitive local exchange carrier. Comments due June 25*; replies due August 9. Contact: Janice M. Myles at 202-418-1580.

PN 06/26/01; DA 01-1516

Comments Invited on LDM Systems, Inc. Application to Discontinue Domestic Interstate and International Telecommunications Services.

On May 8, 2001, LDM Systems, Inc. filed an application requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and section 63.71 of the Commission rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63071, to discontinue its domestic interstate and international telecommunications services. Comments due July 10. Contact: Jon Minkoff at 202-418-2353.

PN 06/28/01; DA 01-1533

Unigridentenergy LLC Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act. Pleading Cycle Established.

On May 18, 2001, UniGrid Energy, LLC, pursuant to section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. § 79 *et seq.*, as amended by section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a Commission determination that it is an "exempt Telecommunications Company". Comments due July 6*; replies due July 13. Contact: Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2353.

PN 06/28/01; DA 01-1534

ECP Telecommunications Holdings, LLC Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act. Pleading Cycle Established.

On May 3, 2001, ECP Telecommunications Holdings, LLC, pursuant to section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. §§ 79 *et seq.*, as amended by section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the 1996 Act), Pub L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a determination by the Commission that it is an "exempt telecommunications company". Comments due July 6*; replies due July 13. Contact: Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2353.

PN 06/28/01; DA 01-1535

CIC Global, LLC Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status Under The Public Utility Holding Company Act.

On May 18, 2001, CIC Global, LLC, pursuant to section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. §§ 79 *et seq.*, as amended by section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a determination by the Commission that it is an "exempt telecommunications company". Comments due July 6*; replies due July 13. Contact: Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2353.

PN 06/28/01; DA 01-1541

Exelon Communications Holdings, LLC Seeks Commission Determination of "Exempt Telecommunications Company" Status Under the Public Utility Holding Company Act.

On May 21, 2001, Exelon Communications Holding, LLC, pursuant to section 34(a)(1) of the Public Utility Holding Company Act of 1935, 15 U.S.C. §§ 79 *et seq.*, as amended by section 103 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (the 1996 Act), Pub. L. No. 104-104, filed an application requesting a determination by the Commission that it is an "exempt telecommunications company". Comments due: July 12; replies due July 19. Contact: Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2353, or Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325 (VOICE), (202) (418-0484) TTY.

PN 06/29/01; DA 01-1556

Comments Invited on Telscape USA, Inc. (Pointcom) Application to Discontinue Domestic Telecommunications Services.

On June 4, 2001, Telscape USA, Inc. (PointeCom), d.b.a. Telscape Communications, filed an application requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue domestic service in the states of Florida and Texas. Comments due July 13. Contact: Carmell Weather at (202) 418-2325, or Jon Minkoff at (202) 418-2353.

PN 07/02/01; DA 01-1564

Comments Invited on the Applications of Mpower Communications Corp., Mpower Communications Central Corp., and Mpower Communications of Oklahoma, Inc. to Discontinue Domestic Telecommunications Services.

On May 18, 2001, Mpower Communications Corp., Mpower Communications Central Corp. and Mpower Communications of Oklahoma, Inc. collectively filed an application requesting authority under section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, 47 U.S.C. § 214(a), and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.71, to discontinue their domestic telecommunications services. Comments due July 23. Contact: Carmell Weathers at (202) 418-2325 or John Minkoff at (202) 418-2353 (VOICE), (202) 418-0484 TTY.

CONSUMER INFORMATION BUREAU

CC 98-67; PN 06/29/01; DA 01-1555

Consumer Information Bureau Seeks Additional Comment on the Provision of Improved Telecommunications Relay Service. Pleading Cycle Established.

The Commission seeks comment on the provision of improved Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS). Title IV of the Americans with Disabilities Act requires the Commission to promulgate regulations on TRS, to make available to Americans with hearing or speech disabilities telecommunications services that are functionally equivalent to those available to

individuals without disabilities. Comments due July 30; replies due August 20. Contact: Dana Jackson at (202) 418-2247 (VOICE), (202) 418-7898 TTY or Brian Millin at (202) 418-7426 (VOICE), (202) 418-7365 TTY.

ENFORCEMENT BUREAU

EB 01-66; NPRM 03/20/01 (adopted 03/13/01); FCC 01-88

Amendment of Part 11 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the Emergency Alert System (EAS).

The Commission seeks comment on requested revisions to the Part 11 rules governing the Emergency Alert System (EAS) set forth in petitions for rulemaking filed by the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration National Weather Service and the Society of Broadcast Engineers. In addition, the Commission proposed to revise Part 11 of the Rules to eliminate references to the now-defunct Emergency Action Notification network and its participants. Further, the Commission proposed to amend Part 11 to delete the requirement that international High Frequency broadcast stations purchase and install EAS equipment. Comments due 75 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies due 105 days after publication in the Federal Register.

PN 06/07/01; DA 01-1376

Comments Sought on CAM Filed by SBC Communications.

On May 29, 2001, SBC Communications filed revisions to its consolidated cost allocation manual (CAM) for Nevada Bell, Pacific Bell and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company. Comments due July 9*; replies due July 24. Contact: Ed Dashkin at (202) 418-0806 (VOICE), (202) 418-857-3800 TTY.

INTERNATIONAL BUREAU

IB 01-96; NPRM 05/03/01 (adopted 04/19/01) FCC 01-134

In the Matter of the Establishment of Policies and Service Rules for the Non-Geostationary Satellite Orbit, Fixed Satellite Service in the Ku-Band.

The Commission initiates a proceeding to determine the means by which multiple satellite network licensees will share spectrum recently designated for the non-geostationary satellite orbit, fixed-satellite service. Comments due June 18*; replies due July 19. Contact: Mark Young at (202) 418-0762.

IB 97-95; FNPRM 05/31/01; (adopted 05/24/01); FCC 01-182

Allocation and Designation of Spectrum for Fixed-Satellite Services in the 37.5-38.5 GHZ, 40.5-41.5 GHZ and 48.2-50.2 GHZ Frequency Bands, et al.

The Commission has proposed to modify the band plan for the 36.051.4 GHz band. Comments due 60 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies due 90 days after publication in the Federal Register.

MASS MEDIA BUREAU

PN 05/22/01; DA 01-1264

Comment Sought on "Petition for Inquiry into Network Practices" Filed by Network Affiliated Stations Alliance.

On March 8, 2001, Network Affiliated Stations Alliance filed a Petition for Inquiry into network practices. The Commission seeks comment on the Petition and the responses to the Petition. Comments due July 23; replies due August 22. Contact: Mania K. Baghdadi at (202) 418-2120.

OFFICE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY

ET 99-231; FNPRM & ORDER 05/11/01 (adopted 05/10/01); FCC 01-158

Amendment of Part 15 of the Commission's Rules Regarding Spread Spectrum Devices, WI-LAN, Inc. et al.

The Commission proposes to amend Part 15 of its rules to improve spectrum sharing by unlicensed devices operating in the 2.4 GHz band (2400 - 2483.5 MHz), provide for introduction of new digital transmission technologies, and eliminate unnecessary regulations for spread spectrum systems. Comments due 75 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies due 105 days after publication in the Federal Register. Contact: Neal L. McNeil at (202) 418-2408 (VOICE), (202) 418-2989 TTY.

ET 01-75; ORDER 06/21/01 (adopted 06/20/01); DA 01-1470

Association for Maximum Service Television, Inc.

On June 15, 2001, the Association for Maximum Service Television, Inc. filed a motion pursuant to section 1.46 of the Commission's rules, to extend the period for filing comments and reply comments to the Notice of Proposed Rule Making, in the above captioned proceeding. Comments due July 9*; replies due August 7.

WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU

WT 01-97; NPRM 05/07/01(adopted 04/27/01); FCC 01-148

In the Matter of Amendment of Section 90.20(e)(6) of the Commission's Rules to Revise the Authorized Duty Cycle on 173.075 MHz.

The Commission seeks comment on a proposal to amend Section 90.20(e)(6) of the Commission's rules to revise the authorized duty cycle for stolen vehicle recovery system (SVRS) operations on 173.075 MHz. Comments due 30 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies due 45 days after publication in the Federal Register. Contact: Freda Lippert Thyden at (202) 418-0627 (VOICE), (202) 418- 7233 TTY.

WT 01-108; NPRM 05/17/01 (adopted 05/03/01); FCC 01-153

In the Matter of Year 2000 Biennial Regulatory Review - Amendment of Part 22 of the Commission's Rules to Modify or Eliminate Out dated Rules Affecting the Cellular Radiotelephone Service et al.

The Commission seeks comment on modification or elimination of certain other Part 22 rules that apply both to cellular and to other CMRS. The Commission also seeks comment on its proposal to eliminate or modify certain cellular anti-trafficking rules, specifically Sections 22.937, 22.943, and 22.945. Comments due: July 2*; replies due August 1.

CC 94-102; FNPRM 05/25/01 (adopted 05/23/01); FCC 01-175

In the Matter of Revision of the Commission's Rules to Ensure Compatibility with Enhanced 911 Emergency Calling Systems.

The Commission is examining further the issue of non-service initialized mobile wireless phones used to make 911 calls and whether such phones should provide for call back by Public Safety Answering Points. Comments due July 9*; replies due August 8.

CC 94-102; PN 06/08/01; DA 01-1396

WTB Seeks Comment on Wireless E911 Phase II Amended Waiver Request Filed by Cincinnati Bell Wireless.

The Commission is seeking comments on Cincinnati Bell Wireless's amended waiver request. Comments due July 9*; replies due July 23. Contact: Gregory Vadas at (202) 418-1310.

GEN 90-7; PN 06/18/01; DA 01-1385

Comments Invited on Region 20 (Washington, Maryland & Northern Virginia) Public Safety Plan Amendment.

On June 4, 2001, the Commission received an amendment request from the Region 20 Regional Planning Committee proposing to amend its 821-824/866-869 MHz Public Safety Plan, which was adopted by the Commission on March 26, 1990. Comments due July 18; replies due August 2. Contact: Joy Alford at (202) 418-0694 (VOICE), (202) 418-7233 TTY.

CC 94-102; PN 06/27/2001; DA 01-1520

Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on Petition for Reconsideration Regarding Allocation of Costs of E911 Implementation.

On June 6, 2001, four wireless carriers operating in King County, Washington filed a Petition for Reconsideration challenging the Bureau's May 7, 2001 response to a letter from the E911 Program Manager concerning the proper allocation of E911 implementation cases. Comments due July 30; replies due August 14. Contact: Jane Phillips at (202) 418-1310.

PN 06/29/01; DA 01-1527

Multiple Address Systems Spectrum Auction Scheduled for November 14, 2001.

The Commission seeks comment on Reserve Prices or Minimum Opening Bids and other Auction procedural issues, Auction No. 42. Comments due July 13; replies due July 20. Contact: Barbara Siebert 418-0660.

ORDER 06/29/01 (adopted June 28, 2001); DA 01-1545

Jersey City, New Jersey Police Department.

The Commission granted the Motion for Extension of Time in this proceeding filed by the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. Comments due July 20; replies due July 27.