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FCC STREAMLINES PAPERWORK REQUIREMENTS FOR MOBILE SERVICES

WASHINGTON, December 14, 2017—The FCC today continued its efforts to remove outdated or unnecessary provisions of its rules and streamline paperwork requirements for certain wireless services.

The Report and Order adopted today allows licensees to identify the nature and regulatory treatment of its mobile services based on how it uses spectrum, rather than based on the specific spectrum band used to provide such service. The item eliminates an outdated and incomplete list of certain services meeting the statutory definition of commercial mobile radio service and eliminates unnecessary filings that some licensees must make to use spectrum for private mobile radio services. It also harmonizes the Commission's licensing rules across spectrum bands, removing rules that apply to some bands but not to others.

The actions taken today will reduce regulatory burdens for providers and harmonize regulatory treatment of mobile radio services.

Action by the Commission December 14, 2017 by Report and Order (FCC 17-167). Chairman Pai, Commissioners O'Rielly, Carr and Rosenworcel approving. Commissioner Clyburn dissenting. Chairman Pai, Commissioners Clyburn, and Carr issuing separate statements.

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