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## COMMENT SOUGHT ON THE PETITION OF SMITH BAGLEY, INC. FOR A LIMITED WAIVER OF THE INTERIM CAP ON UNIVERSAL SERVICE HIGH-COST SUPPORT FOR COMPETITIVE ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIERS

WC Docket No. 05-337

Comment Date: February 11, 2010  
Reply Comment Date: February 26, 2010

On December 14, 2009, Smith Bagley, Inc. (SBI) filed a petition for a limited waiver of the interim cap that the Commission imposed on the amount of universal service high-cost support that competitive eligible telecommunications carriers (ETCs) may receive.<sup>1</sup> Specifically, SBI requests the limited waiver to enable SBI and other competitive ETCs to obtain uncapped high-cost support to provide or expand telecommunications services to residents of the Eastern Navajo Agency of the Navajo Nation in the state of New Mexico.<sup>2</sup>

Interested parties may file **comments on or before February 11, 2010**, and **reply comments on or before February 26, 2010**. All pleadings are to reference **WC Docket No. 05-337**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), or by filing paper copies.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> Smith Bagley, Inc., High-Cost Universal Service Support, Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Petition for Waiver, WC Docket No. 05-337 (filed Dec. 14, 2009) (Petition); *High-Cost Universal Service Support; Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service*, WC Docket No. 05-337, CC Docket No. 96-45, Order, 23 FCC Rcd 8834 (2008) (imposing an interim cap on universal service high-cost support disbursements to competitive ETCs, subject to limited exceptions).

<sup>2</sup> Petition at 1, 4.

<sup>3</sup> See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

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- (2) Gary Seigel, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-C408, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: [Gary.Seigel@fcc.gov](mailto:Gary.Seigel@fcc.gov);
- (3) Theodore Burmeister, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-B438, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: [Theodore.Burmeister@fcc.gov](mailto:Theodore.Burmeister@fcc.gov); and
- (4) Charles Tyler, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 5-A452, Washington, D.C. 20554; e-mail: [Charles.Tyler@fcc.gov](mailto:Charles.Tyler@fcc.gov).

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<sup>4</sup> 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*

<sup>5</sup> *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2).

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<sup>6</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).