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COMMENT DATES FOR PROPOSED REVISIONS TO PROVIDERS' ANNUAL REPORTING AND CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375

Comments Due: September 8, 2023

Reply Comments Due: September 25, 2023

By this Public Notice, the Wireline Competition Bureau and the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (collectively, the Bureaus) announce the comment and reply comment dates for the Public Notice on the Proposed Revisions to Providers' Annual Reporting and Certification Requirements.

The Bureaus released a Public Notice on August 3, 2023 seeking comment on proposed revisions to the instructions and templates for the Annual Reports and Annual Certifications that the Commission requires certain providers of incarcerated people's communications services (IPCS) to submit.¹ In issuing the Public Notice, the Bureaus propose changes to reflect expanded reporting requirements regarding access to IPCS by persons with communication disabilities,² and the addition of video IPCS data necessary to help implement the Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act of 2022.³

The *Public Notice* requires that comments and reply comments be filed no later than 30 and 45 days after publication in the Federal Register.⁴ On August 9, 2023, the Federal Register published a summary of the *Public Notice* titled "Wireline Competition Bureau and the Office of Economics and Analytics Seek Comment on Proposed Revisions to Providers' Annual Reporting and Certification Requirements."⁵ The August 9, 2023 *Federal Register Notice* establishes **September 8, 2023** as the deadline for comments and **September 25, 2023** as the deadline for reply comments.⁶

¹ *Incarcerated People's Communications Services; Implementation of the Martha Wright-Reed Act; Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket Nos. 23-62, 12-375, Public Notice, DA 23-656 (WCB/CGB Aug. 3, 2023) (*Public Notice*).

² See *Rates for Interstate Inmate Calling Services*, WC Docket No. 12-375, Fourth Report and Order and Sixth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 22-76, Appx. B (Final Rules), at 24-26, paras. 47-52, (Sept. 30, 2022) (*2022 ICS Order*). The ICS communication disabilities access rules adopted in the *2022 ICS Order* did not become effective in time to be reflected in the instructions for the 2023 Annual Reports and Certifications.

³ Martha Wright-Reed Just and Reasonable Communications Act of 2022, Pub. L. No. 117-338, 136 Stat. 6156; 47 U.S.C. §§ 152(b), 153(1)(E), 276(b)(1)(A), (d).

⁴ *Public Notice* at 1.

⁵ Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau and the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Seek Comment on Revisions to Providers' Annual Reporting and Certification Requirements, 88 Fed. Reg. 53850 (Aug. 9, 2023) (*Federal Register Notice*).

⁶ *Federal Register Notice* at 53850.

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