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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT DATES FOR NPRM ON UPDATING THE INTERCARRIER COMPENSATION REGIME TO ELIMINATE ACCESS ARBITRAGE

WC Docket No. 18-155

Comment Date: July 20, 2018

Reply Comment Date: August 3, 2018

On June 4, 2018, the Commission adopted the *Updating the Intercarrier Compensation Regime to Eliminate Access Arbitrage Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Access Arbitrage NPRM)*.¹ In the *Access Arbitrage NPRM*, the Commission proposed changing the intercarrier compensation regime to eliminate financial incentives to engage in access stimulation. The *Access Arbitrage NPRM* set comment and reply comment dates at 21 and 35 days, respectively, following Federal Register publication.²

The Federal Register published a summary of the *Access Arbitrage NPRM* on June 29, 2018.³ Accordingly, comments will be due on or before July 20, 2018, and reply comments will be due on or August 3, 2018. Complete filing instructions are provided in the *Access Arbitrage NPRM*,⁴ and the Federal Register.⁵

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¹ *Updating the Intercarrier Compensation Regime to Eliminate Access Arbitrage*, WC Docket No. 18-155, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 18-68 (rel. June 5, 2018) (*Access Arbitrage NPRM*) (available at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs/search-results?t=quick&fccdaNo=18-68>; via the Commission's Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) website at <https://www.fcc.gov/edocs> (by FCC document number, FCC 18-68); or via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) website at <https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/> (by docket number, WC Docket No. 18-155)).

² *Access Arbitrage NPRM* at para. 1.

³ *Updating the Intercarrier Compensation Regime to Eliminate Access Arbitrage*, Proposed Rule, 83 Fed. Reg. 30628 (rel. June 29, 2018), <https://www.federalregister.gov/documents/2018/06/29/2018-13699/updating-the-intercarrier-compensation-regime-to-eliminate-access-arbitrage>.

⁴ See *Access Arbitrage NPRM* at paras. 38-43. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

⁵ See Notice at 30628-39.