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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)*.<sup>1</sup> 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.<sup>2</sup>

The Federal Register published a summary of the *Access Arbitrage NPRM* on June 29, 2018.<sup>3</sup> 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*,<sup>4</sup> and the Federal Register.<sup>5</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *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)).

<sup>2</sup> *Access Arbitrage NPRM* at para. 1.

<sup>3</sup> *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>.

<sup>4</sup> 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](mailto:fcc504@fcc.gov) or call the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at 202-418-0530 (voice), 202-418-0432 (tty).

<sup>5</sup> See Notice at 30628-39.