

**BEFORE THE
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of:

Inquiry Concerning the Deployment of
Advanced Telecommunications Capability
to All Americans in a Reasonable and
Timely Fashion, Pursuant to Section 706 of
the Telecommunications Act of 1996, as
Amended by the Broadband Data
Improvement Act.

GN Docket No. 17-199

**MOTION TO LATE FILE COMMENTS OF THE
CALIFORNIA PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

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The California Public Utilities Commission (California or CPUC) respectfully submits this Motion to Accept Late-Filed Comments in response to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC or Commission) Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) released on August 8, 2017.¹ These comments were due on September 21, 2017.

The staff team dedicated to competition issues at the CPUC is juggling many tasks, including providing analysis for CPUC decision-making and for legislative matters. The month of August was the end of the legislative session. Staff resources needed for developing these comments were devoted to providing assistance to our Legislative staff as well as to decision-makers. In addition, CPUC staff recently completed analysis on an issue that is material to our comments, as a result of our alpha testing of the wireline testing devices the CPUC is building. Also, during the month of August, many staff take long-planned vacations because school is out of session. Finally, the CPUC was unable to timely submit comments because the amount of time between when CPUC staff received notice of this item and the comment deadline was too short to allow staff to get the CPUC's permission to file before the deadline.

For all of these reasons, the CPUC respectfully asks the FCC to accept these late-filed comments. We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause the FCC or other parties.

¹ Comments were originally due on September 7, 2017, and reply comments due on September 22, 2017. On September 5, 2017, the Wireline Competition Bureau and Wireless Telecommunications Bureau issued an order extending the deadlines for comments to September 21, 2017, and October 6, 2017, respectively.

Respectfully submitted,

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