

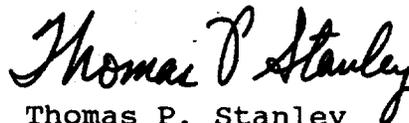


4. Personal Communications Network Services of New York, Inc. (PCNS-NY) filed an opposition to Alcatel's request on May 28, 1992. Noting that ET Docket No. 92-9 was adopted on January 16, 1992, and that the Commission already has extended the comment and reply period by over six weeks<sup>2</sup> at the request of API and others, PCNS-NY argues that a second extension of time is unwarranted and would delay further the introduction of emerging technologies such as PCS to the American people. PCNS-NY states that as the comment deadline approaches on the Notice of Proposed Rule Making in ET Docket No. 92-9, entities opposed to the Commission's proposal have chosen to file new requests for rule makings rather than address the issues in comments and replies on the Notice. This, argues PCNS-NY, threatens to result in a costly delay to the introduction to the American people of emerging technologies such as personal communications services.

5. The Commission does not routinely grant extensions of time.<sup>3</sup> We find that the comment periods for the above proceedings are reasonable. As PCNS-NY notes, on April 1, 1992, we extended an already generous comment period for comments and replies in ET Docket No. 92-9 by over six weeks. Thus without extending the comment deadline further, parties will have had over 16 weeks after release of the Notice to formulate their comments. The period for comments and replies established for RM-7981 is that prescribed by Section 1.405 of our rules.<sup>4</sup> Alcatel has argued that economies would be achieved by consolidating the filing deadlines in the above proceedings. I am concerned that such a step would result in unwarranted delay as well. On balance, I believe that the public interest would best be served by obtaining comment within the existing schedules. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED, that the request to defer comment dates in these proceedings IS DENIED.

6. This action is taken pursuant to authority found in Sections 4(i), 302, and 303 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 302, 303 (1988); and pursuant to Sections 0.31, 0.241 and 1.46 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.31, 0.241 and 1.46 (1991). For further information contact Tom Mooring, Office of Engineering and Technology, (202) 653-8114.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION



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<sup>2</sup>See DA 92-398, released April 1, 1992.

<sup>3</sup>47 C.F.R. § 1.46 (1991).

<sup>4</sup>47 C.F.R. § 1.405 (1991).