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PLEADING CYCLE ESTABLISHED FOR COMMENTS ON PETITION FOR RECONSIDERATION OF THE VRS RATES ORDER

CG Docket Nos. 03-123, 10-51

Comments Due: November 9, 2017
Reply Comments Due: November 20, 2017

On October 6, 2017, the Consumer and Government Affairs Bureau of the Federal Communications Commission released a Public Notice¹ seeking comment on a petition filed by the Interstate Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Council asking the Commission to reconsider compensation rates established in the *2017 VRS Rates Order*, in order to compensate video relay service (VRS) providers for an eight-month trial of skills-based routing.² The Public Notice was subsequently published in the Federal Register, establishing the deadlines to file comments on or before November 9, 2017, and reply comments on or before November 20, 2017.³

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¹ Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Seeks Comment on Interstate Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Council Petition for Reconsideration of the VRS Rates Order, Public Notice, DA 17-980 (CGB Oct. 6, 2017).

² Petition of Interstate Telecommunications Relay Service Advisory Council for Reconsideration, CG Docket Nos. 03-123, 10-51 (filed Sept. 21, 2017) at 6, <https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/10921132140710/Interstate%20TRS%20Advisory%20Council%20PFR%209.21.2017%20filed.pdf> (referencing *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, Report and Order and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 5891 (2017) (*2017 VRS Rates Order*)); see also *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, Report and Order, Notice of Inquiry, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 2436, 2438-44, paras. 4-19 (2017) (authorizing a skills-based trial for VRS calls pertaining to legal, medical, and technical computer support).

³ See FCC, Petition for Reconsideration of Action in a Rulemaking Proceeding, 82 FR 49303 (Oct. 25, 2017).