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Reply Comments of Bristol Bay Tele. Coop., Inc.

1. Bristol Bay Tele. Coop., Inc. hereby submits these Reply Comments in response to the NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING released July 17, 1992. Bristol Bay Tele. Coop., Inc. is a small local exchange carrier (LEC) with 1271 access lines in service. Our total 1991 average interstate ratebase is \$1,383,051. We currently participate in all NECA pools as a cost company.

2. We appreciate the Commission's willingness to offer incentives for efficient operation and reduced regulatory requirements for small LECs filing interstate access tariffs. We support the concept of incentive regulation for small LECs provided the plan remains optional, has sufficient flexibility, and offers large enough incentives to make it worthwhile.

3. We support the comments and suggestions contained in the Comments filed by GVNW, Inc./Management. We believe that GVNW's recommendations of increased flexibility and incentives are necessary to make the proposed incentive plan a feasible option for small LECs.

Respectfully Submitted,

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