

BEFORE THE
Federal Communications Commission
WASHINGTON, D. C. 20554

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In the Matter of)
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Petition for Rulemaking of)
National Communications System in)
the matter of Cellular Priority)
Access for National Security and)
Emergency Preparedness)
Telecommunications)

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
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and

The Development of Operational,)
Technical, and Spectrum)
Requirements for Meeting Federal,)
State and Local Public Safety)
Agency Communications Requirements)
Through the Year 2010)

WT Docket 96-86

To: The Commission

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials-International, Inc. ("APCO"), by its attorneys, hereby submits requests a brief extension of time to submit comments in response to the above-captioned Petition for Rulemaking of the National Communications System ("NCS").

The Commission has issued a Public Notice (DA-96-604) seeking public comments regarding the NCS petition, and the extent to which "the issues raised in the NCS petition are related to the pending public safety rulemaking proceeding, WT Docket 96-86." Comments are due on June 3, 1996.

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As the Commission is well aware, WT Docket 96-86 is closely related to the activities of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee ("PSWAC"), which has been a major project for APCO and its members. All of the PSWAC subcommittees are meeting this week (May 29 through May 31) at Scott Air Force Base in Illinois. Preparation for and participation in the those meetings has dominated APCO's attention, and is likely to prevent APCO from filing comments in response to the NCS Petition by June 3. Furthermore, the PSWAC meeting itself may provide an important opportunity for APCO to receive input from key public safety communications officials regarding the NCS petition. Given a brief extension of time beyond next Monday, APCO would be able to incorporate any information received at the PSWAC meetings into its comments.

Therefore, APCO respectfully requests that the Commission grant a fourteen (14) day extension of time for filing comments in response to the NCS petition.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Jane Nauman, hereby certify that a copy of the foregoing "Motion for Extension of Time" was served this 28th day of May, 1996, by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to the following individual at the address listed below:

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