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COMMON CARRIER BUREAU ANNOUNCES THE COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES RELATING TO WESTERN WIRELESS' PETITION FOR DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER FOR THE PINE RIDGE RESERVATION IN SOUTH DAKOTA

CC Docket No. 96-45 /

Release Date: February 13, 2001

Comment Date: March 12, 2001

Reply Comment Date: March 26, 2001

On February 2, 2001, the Common Carrier Bureau (Bureau) released a Public Notice seeking comment on Western Wireless' petition for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (ETC) on the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota.¹ Comments relating to that Public Notice are due 30 days after the publication of the Public Notice in the Federal Register and reply comments are due 45 days after publication of the Public Notice in the Federal Register. To ensure that all interested parties are aware of the comment dates, the Bureau stated that a Public Notice would be issued following Federal Register publication specifying the exact comment and reply comment dates.

The *February 2 Public Notice* was published in the Federal Register on February 9, 2001.² Therefore, comments are due on March 12, 2001 and reply comments are due on March 26, 2001. Comments should be filed consistent with the instructions provided in the *February 2 Public Notice*.

For further information, contact Richard D. Smith or Anita Cheng, Accounting Policy Division, Common Carrier Bureau at (202) 418-7400, TTY (202) 418-0484.

¹ *Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comment on Western Wireless' Petition for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier for the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota*, Public Notice, CC Docket No. 96-45, DA 01-278 (rel. Feb. 2, 2001).

² Notices, 66 Fed. Reg. 9705 (Feb. 9, 2001)