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**COMMON CARRIER BUREAU EXTENDS DEADLINE
FOR COMPLIANCE WITH DIRECTIVE TO DATABASE
SERVICE MANAGEMENT, INC. CONCERNING THE
TOLL-FREE DATABASE DISCONNECT AND SUSPEND
STATUS FUNCTIONS, DA 00-2754**

CC Docket 95-155

On December 7, 2000, the Common Carrier Bureau (Bureau) released a letter (*Keller-Wade Letter*) directing the SMS/800 database administrator, Database Service Management, Inc. (DSMI), by February 3, 2001, to modify the Disconnect Status and Suspend Status functions in the SMS/800 database, consistent with the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) toll-free number regulations.¹ Pursuant to requests from industry representatives, on February 2, 2001, the Bureau directed DSMI to postpone the mandated changes to the Disconnect Status and Suspend Status functions until August 6, 2001.² Subsequently, the Bureau released a public notice³ seeking comments on (1) the petition filed by AT&T Corporation⁴ seeking clarification of the FCC's toll-free regulations; and (2) other matters related to the *Keller-Wade Letter*. The *June Public Notice* was followed by a letter from the SMS/800 Number Administration Committee

¹ Letter from L. Charles Keller, Chief, Network Services Division, to Mr. Michael Wade, President, Database Service Management, Inc., DA 00-2754 (rel. Dec. 7, 2000).

² Letter from Staci Pies, Deputy Chief, Network Services Division, to Mr. Michael Wade, President, Database Service Management, Inc., DA 01-292 (rel. Feb. 2, 2001). In response to the *Keller-Wade Letter*, some Responsible Organizations asserted that the required adjustments to their internal systems, as well as the necessary testing to ensure compatibility with DSMI's changes, could not be completed by the February 3, 2001 deadline. *See, e.g.*, Letter from Henry G. Hultquist, Associate Counsel, WorldCom, Inc., to Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary, dated January 29, 2001 (requesting a six-month delay); Letter from Norina Moy, Director, Federal Regulatory, Sprint, to L. Charles Keller, Chief, Network Services Division, dated December 19, 2000 (concerned that sixty days would be insufficient to test the changes).

³ *Common Carrier Bureau Seeks Comment on AT&T Corporation's Request for Declaratory Ruling and Clarification of Changes to the Toll-Free Number Administration System*, Public Notice (rel. June 22, 2001) (*June Public Notice*).

⁴ *Request for Declaratory Ruling and Clarification*, filed by AT&T Corporation (May 24, 2001).

(SNAC) dated June 27, 2001, in which industry representatives formally requested the Bureau to extend the August 6, 2001 deadline until December 8, 2001.⁵ In particular, the SNAC set forth a schedule to implement the changes required by the *Keller-Wade Letter*, with a readiness date of December 8, 2001.

In light of the comments and reply comments expected in response to the *June Public Notice* as well as the SNAC's request for an extension of the compliance deadline, we hereby extend the compliance deadline until the Bureau resolves the outstanding issues raised in the *June Public Notice* or until December 8, 2001, the industry-proposed deadline, whichever comes first.

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⁵ Letter from Stephanie Cowart, OBF Moderator, to Diane Griffin Harmon, Network Services Division, dated June 27, 2001.