

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
)	
The Pay Telephone Reclassification and)	CC Docket No. 96-128
Compensation Provisions of the)	
Telecommunications Act of 1996)	

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Big River Telephone Company, LLC ("Big River Telephone"), pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.46, hereby requests an extension of time to file a Systems Audit Report as required by Section 64.1320(b) of the Commission's rules and the Report and Order released in *The Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, FCC 03-235, CC Docket No. 96-128 (rel. October 3, 2003). Specifically, Big River Telephone seeks a 60-day extension, until September 1, 2004, of the July 1, 2004, reporting deadline.¹

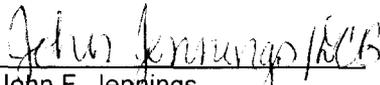
While Big River Telephone has validated its system on May 26, 2004, pursuant to the Commission's rules (see 47 C.F.R § 64.1300 *et seq.*) and is working diligently to complete the required procedures, the process of completing the documentation and testing, analyzing the results and preparing a final report by our outside auditors may extend beyond the July 1, 2004, deadline. Accordingly, Big River Telephone requests a 60-day extension to ensure the audit report is complete.

¹ The Office of Management and Budget approved the Commission's Order on May 5, 2004, which set the July 1, 2004, reporting deadline. See OMB No. 3060-1046 and *The Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, Report and Order, FCC 03-235, CC Docket No. 96-128 (rel. October 3, 2003).

To the extent necessary, Big River Telephone requests a waiver of the late filing penalty set out in the October Order.² Big River Telephone submits that no one will be harmed by the late-filed Systems Audit Report. As explained above, Big River Telephone has implemented the necessary call tracking system and will make the necessary calculations and payments to ensure that payphone service providers are properly compensated. Thus, the Commission should waive any penalty.

Big River Telephone has attempted in good faith to meet the July 1, 2004, deadline; however, for the reasons described herein, Big River Telephone requires additional time. Accordingly, Big River Telephone hereby respectfully requests a 60-day extension of the reporting deadline, until September 1, 2004, to submit the Systems Audit Report to the Commission, to each payphone service provider for which it completes calls, and to each facilities-based long distance carrier from which it receives payphone calls.

Respectfully submitted,


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² The Commission stated that "the current base penalty for failure to file required forms or information with the Commission is \$3,000." FCC 03-235 at ¶ 44.