

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

In the Matter of)	
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Petition of Time Warner Cable for)	WC Docket No. 06-54
Preemption Pursuant to Section 253 of)	
the Communications Act, as Amended.)	
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MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission’s rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.46, COMPTEL hereby requests that the Commission extend the deadline for all interested parties to file comments in the above-captioned proceeding from March 27, 2006 to April 10, 2006, and to extend the deadline for all interested parties to file reply comments from April 11, 2006 to April 25, 2006. The brief two week extensions of time will not prejudice any interested parties. Counsel for Petitioner Time Warner Cable (“TWC”) has authorized COMPTEL to represent to the Commission that, although TWC continues to urge the Commission to act expeditiously on its Petition, it does not object to a 14 day extension of the comment and reply comment periods. The issues raised by TWC’s Petition are both novel and complex. The additional time is necessary in order for parties to prepare and submit substantive and well reasoned comments that will hopefully help guide the Commission to the correct decision.

On March 1, 2006, TWC and its South Carolina telecommunications affiliate, Time Warner Cable Information Services (South Carolina), LLC filed a Petition requesting preemption of a South Carolina Public Service Commission decision denying TWC a certificate of public convenience and necessity (CPCN) to provide telecommunications service in certain areas served by rural local exchange carriers (RLECs). TWC asserts that the South Carolina Public Service Commission's decision has the effect of prohibiting TWC from interconnecting with the RLECs and introducing competitive telecommunications services, including wholesale services necessary for the provision of VoIP, and, thus, violates Section 253 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. On March 6, 2006, the Commission issued a Public Notice, DA 06-535, establishing a three week comment period, with reply comments due two weeks later.

The Commission's decision on the TWC Petition could have a significant impact on a large and diverse group of interested parties, including state regulators, telecommunications industry members ranging from RLECs to CLECs to wholesalers to VoIP providers, and consumers in rural areas who may wish to receive the benefits of IP-enabled services offered by competitive providers. For this reason, it is critically important that the Commission allow ample time for all interested parties to participate in this proceeding in a meaningful way. TWC has graciously consented to a two week extension of time and will not be prejudiced thereby. The Commission has previously granted requests for extensions under similar circumstances. *See, e.g., Performance Measurements and Standards for Interstate Special Access Services*, Order, 16 FCC Rcd. 22,117 (2001); *Performance Measurements and Standards for Unbundled Network Elements and Interconnection*, Order, 16 FCC Rcd. 21,428 (2001).

For the foregoing reasons, COMPTEL respectfully requests that the Commission grant its motion and extend the deadline to file comments in this proceeding to and including April 10, 2006 and the deadline to file reply comments to and including April 25, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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