Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	)	
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Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime	)	CC Docket No. 01-92
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ORDER

Adopted: August 29, 2006 **Released: August 29, 2006**

Revised Filing Dates:

Comments Due: October 25, 2006
Reply Comments Due: December 11, 2006

By the Associate Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. On July 24, 2006, the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners' (NARUC's) Task Force on Intercarrier Competition filed an intercarrier compensation reform plan (the "Missoula Plan").[1] On July 25, 2006, the Wireline Competition Bureau (WCB) released a Public Notice requesting that comments on the Missoula Plan be filed by September 25, 2006, and reply comments by November 9, 2006.[2] On August 24, 2006, NARUC filed a motion requesting an extension of the comment date to October 25, 2006, and the reply comment date to December 9, 2006.[3] NARUC states that the extension would enable state commissions to conduct public workshops and more thoroughly analyze the complex proposal.[4] On August 25, 2006, CTIA-The Wireless Association (CTIA) filed an *ex parte* letter in support of the NARUC Motion.[5]

2. We agree that providing additional time to file comments and reply comments will facilitate the development of a more substantive and complete record in this proceeding. We note that it is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted.[6] Given the

[1] Letter from Tony Clark, Commissioner and Chair, NARUC Committee on Telecommunications; Ray Baum, Commissioner and Chair, NARUC Task Force on Intercarrier Compensation; and Larry Landis, Commissioner and Vice-Chair, NARUC Task Force on Intercarrier Compensation, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 01-92 (filed July 24, 2006) (attaching the Missoula Plan). Although the Missoula Plan was filed by the NARUC Task Force on Intercarrier Compensation, members of the task force and NARUC have not taken positions on the Missoula Plan. *Id.* at 2.

[2] *Comment Sought on Missoula Intercarrier Compensation Reform Plan*, Public Notice, CC Docket No. 01-92, DA 06-1510 (WCB, July 25, 2006). *See* 71 Fed. Reg. 45510.

[3] Motion of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners for Extension of Time, CC Docket No. 01-92 (filed Aug. 24, 2006) (NARUC Motion).

[4] NARUC Motion at 2-3.

[5] Letter from Paul Garnett, Counsel, CTIA, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 01-92 (filed August 25, 2006).

[6] 47 C.F.R. § 1.46(a).

extensive nature of the Missoula Plan and the complexity of the proposals contained therein, however, we find that good cause exists to provide parties an extension of time, from September 25, 2006 to October 25, 2006 for filing comments, and from November 9, 2006 to December 11, 2006 for filing reply comments in this proceeding.[7] In particular, we appreciate the importance of the issues raised in the Missoula Plan to NARUC and its member state commissions, and we agree that the additional time we grant here will help ensure their "continued full participation."[8]

3. ACCORDINGLY, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to sections 4(i), 4(j), and 5(c) of the Communications Act, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 154(j), 155(c), and sections 0.91, 0.291, and 1.46 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.91, 0.291, 1.46, the pleading cycle established in this matter shall be modified as follows:

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4. IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Motion of the National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners for Extension of Time is GRANTED, as set forth herein.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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[7] In its motion, NARUC requested an extension of the reply comment date until December 9, 2006. That date, however, falls on a Saturday, which is a holiday under the Commission's rules. 47 C.F.R. § 1.4(e)(1). We therefore extend the reply comment deadline to the next regularly scheduled Commission business day, Monday, December 11, 2006.

[8] NARUC Motion at 3.