

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

In the Matter of)		
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Implementation of Pay Telephone)		
Reclassification and Compensation)		MAILED
Provisions of the Telecommunications)		
Act of 1996)	CC Docket No. 96-128	MAR 26 2007
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Petition for Rulemaking or, in the)		
Alternative, Petition to Address Referral)		
Issues in Pending Rulemaking)		

ORDER

Adopted: March 21, 2007

Released: March 21, 2007

Revised Filing Dates:

Comments Due: May 2, 2007

Reply Comments Due: May 23, 2007

By the Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau:

1. On March 1, 2007, Martha Wright, *et al.* (Petitioners) filed an alternative rulemaking proposal¹ asking the Commission to establish benchmark rates for long distance prison inmate calling services as an alternative to the approach the Petitioners previously proposed in an earlier petition for rulemaking.² On March 2, 2007, the Commission established a pleading cycle for comments on the Alternative Proposal.³

2. On March 20, 2007, the Ad Hoc Coalition for the Right to Communicate, the Innocence Project, and the Sentencing Project (Interested Parties) filed a Joint Motion to Extend Time to File Public Comments.⁴ In support of its motion, the Interested Parties explain that the current deadline does not allow enough time for them to collect information from their numerous members to adequately comment.⁵ In addition, the Interested Parties believe that an extension of time will best serve the public

¹ Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Petitioners' Alternative Rulemaking Proposal, CC Docket No. 96-128 (filed Mar. 1, 2007) (Alternative Proposal).

² Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Petition for Rulemaking or, in the Alternative, Petition to Address Referral Issues in Pending Rulemaking, CC Docket No. 96-128 (filed Nov. 3, 2003).

³ *Comment Sought on Alternative Rulemaking Proposal Regarding Issues Related to Inmate Calling Services*, Public Notice, CC Docket No. 96-128, DA 07-961 (WCB rel. Mar. 2, 2007).

⁴ Implementation of Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, Joint Motion to Extend Time to File Public Comments, CC Docket No. 96-128 (filed Mar. 20, 2007).

⁵ *Id.* at 3.