



Before the
Federal Communications Commission
Washington, DC 20554

In the Matter of)
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Defining Broadband) GN Docket Nos. 09-47, 09-51, 09-137
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To: The Commission

TIA AND VON COALITION’S MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA) and the VON Coalition, pursuant to Section 1.46(b) of the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC” or “Commission”) rules, hereby submit a request for a seven-day extension of the deadline for filing reply comments in response to the above-captioned proceedings on the issue of *Defining Broadband*. Pursuant to this request, reply comments would be due September 15, 2009.

The Commission established the deadlines of August 31, 2009 for comments and September 8, 2009 for replies in response to the Public Notice. More than 500 pages of comments were filed on August 31st, and the September 8th filing deadline for replies

allows only one week to review the record and immediately follows a three-day holiday weekend. If the motion for extension of time is granted, the additional time will ensure that reply comments submitted in this procedure fully address each issue raised by the Public Notice and in the comments submitted in the first round.

The importance of the FCC's definition of broadband cannot be understated. The issues raised in this proceeding will significantly impact not only the information, communications and entertainment technology industry, but as the foundation of the National Broadband Plan, it will impact a broad scope of public policies, including universal service, health care, education, public safety, accessibility, transportation, etc. It is in the public interest to ensure that parties have adequate time to respond to comments on record, enabling the Commission to make an informed decision based on a fully developed record.

For the foregoing reasons, TIA and the VON Coalition request that the Commission grant the requested motion.

Respectfully submitted,

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