

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

In the Matter of)	
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Connect America Fund)	WC Docket No. 10-90
)	
A National Broadband Plan for Our Future)	GN Docket No. 09-51
)	
Establishing Just and Reasonable Rates for Local Exchange Carriers)	WC Docket No. 07-135
)	
High Cost Universal Service Support)	WC Docket No. 05-337
)	
Developing a Unified Intercarrier Compensation Regime)	CC Docket No. 01-92
)	
Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service)	CC Docket No. 96-45
)	
Lifeline and Link-Up)	WC Docket No. 03-109

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission’s Rules, 47 C.F.R. §1.46, COMPTEL, on behalf of its member companies, hereby respectfully requests that the Commission extend the deadline for the filing of comments in response to the Commission’s Notice of Proposed Rulemaking and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (“*NPRM*”) released on February 9, 2011 (FCC 11-13) in the above-referenced dockets (with the exception of Section XV) for an additional seven (7) days beyond the existing comment deadline. Pursuant to this request, comments would be due on April 25, 2011.

On February 9, 2011, the Commission released its *NPRM* seeking comments on comprehensive universal service and intercarrier compensation reform. Currently, comments are due on April 18, 2011. The scope of the issues raised in the above referenced proceedings provides good cause for granting the extension. These issues include the Commission's legal authority in a number of areas, the qualifications and obligations of universal service fund recipients, transitioning to a new funding mechanism for USF support (Connect America Fund) and its framework, and reforming intercarrier compensation taking into account the advancements in technology. Moreover, the reply comments for Section XV are also due on April 18, 2011.

Parties need additional time to consider and provide comment on the important issues raised by the Commission's *NPRM*. Once implemented, the rules the Commission adopts will have far-reaching impact on the industry as a whole. Given the importance and complexity of this rulemaking, an additional week so that parties can fully and carefully analyze the Commission's proposals will provide a benefit in the form of more comprehensive recommendations without causing an undue delay in the process.

For the foregoing reasons, COMPTTEL respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion and postpone the comment filing deadline by 7 days.

Respectfully Submitted,

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