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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON REQUEST BY RED RIVER TELEPHONE ASSOCIATION FOR A WAIVER OF THE ELECTION DEADLINE FOR ALTERNATIVE CONNECT AMERICA MODEL II AND FOR A REVISED A-CAM II OFFER

WC Docket Nos. 10-90

Comment Date: April 14, 2020

Reply Comment Date: April 29, 2020

The Wireline Competition Bureau (Bureau) seeks comment on a request for waiver filed by Red River Telephone Association (dba Red River Communications) (Red River). Red River requests that the Bureau issue a revised Alternative Connect America Model II (A-CAM II) offer that includes support for areas that Red River alleges were incorrectly determined to be ineligible for A-CAM II support due to erroneous Form 477 data filed by an adjacent incumbent local exchange carrier. Red River further requests that the Commission waive the A-CAM II election deadline for Red River, so that it may elect the revised offer, if the Bureau makes one.

*Filing Requirements*. Interested parties may file comments on or before the date indicated on the first page of this document.<sup>2</sup> All filings must refer to **WC Docket Nos. 10-90**.<sup>3</sup> Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).<sup>4</sup>

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Commission's online Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS): <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/">https://www.fcc.gov/ecfs/</a>.
- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail.<sup>5</sup> All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Red River Telephone Association DBA Red River Communications Petition for Waiver of the Election Deadline for A-CAM II and Request for a Revised A-CAM II Offer, WC Docket Nos. 10-90 et al. (July 11, 2019), https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/10711050911286/Red%20River%20A-CAM%20II%20Waiver%20FINAL%20PDF.pdf.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 47 CFR §§ 1.2, 1.405, and 1.419.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> All filings relating to this Public Notice should refer *only* to the dockets listed above.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In response to the COVID-19 pandemic, the FCC has closed its current hand-delivery filing location at FCC Headquarters. We encourage outside parties to take full advantage of the Commission's electronic filing system.

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Additional Information. For further information regarding this Notice, please contact Ted Burmeister, Attorney Advisor, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau at 202-418-7389 or Theodore Burmeister fcc.gov.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> 47 CFR §§ 1.1200 et seq.