

**NECA's Weekly Federal Regulatory Summary**

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**August 10, 2020 HIGHLIGHTS**

- The FCC released items adopted at its August 6, 2020, [Open Meeting](#), including: a [public notice](#) on the auction of new flexible-use overlay licenses in the 3.7–3.98 GHz band; a [report and order](#) on the radio duplication rule; and a [report and order on remand and a fourth FNPRM](#) on inmate calling services. Prior to the meeting, the FCC adopted and released a [report and order](#) eliminating the common antenna siting rules for FM and TV broadcaster applicants and licensees, and a [report and order](#) to repeal certain TRS rules that are no longer needed in light of changes in technology and voice communications services.
- The White House [withdrew](#) Commissioner O'Rielly's renomination for a five-year term from July 1, 2019.
- [Reply comments](#) were filed on the NPRM detariffing telephone access charges.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau [denied](#) petitions by [ComSouth and Bloomingdale Telephone](#) and [State Telephone](#) for a waiver of the March 1, 2019 deadline to upload and certify geocoded location information data with USAC through the HUBB portal.
- The Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force, WCB, and the Office of Economics and Analytics [announced](#) they are ready to authorize CAF Phase II support for Viasat's winning bid to serve 13,819 locations.
- The FCC [circulated](#) an item on the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund auction.
- The House [passed](#) a package of fiscal year 2021 appropriations bills, including a [bill](#) that provides \$376.1 million for the FCC and includes funding to implement new broadband mapping legislation, and \$61 billion in funding for expanding broadband to unserved areas, for broadband mapping and replacement of telecommunications equipment deemed to pose a national security threat to the U.S.
- The USDA [announced](#) it is investing over \$29 million to provide broadband service in unserved and underserved rural areas in Oklahoma.
- The D.C. Circuit [granted](#) in part and denied in part petitions for review filed by Aureon Network Services and AT&T on access charges. The court also remanded the case to the FCC.
- President Trump signed an [executive order](#) to further expand access to telehealth services during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially in rural communities.
- USAC filed the [Federal Universal Service Support Mechanisms Fund Size Projections](#) for the fourth quarter of 2020.

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**Other Key Upcoming Dates**

- Aug. 31 - Comments due on the [FNPRM](#) on robocalls. Replies due September 29. [FR](#)

## USF Reform

- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued an [order](#) on August 5, 2020, denying petitions by [ComSouth and Bloomingdale Telephone](#) and [State Telephone](#) for a waiver of the March 1, 2019 deadline to upload and certify geocoded location information data with USAC through the High Cost Universal Broadband portal. The Bureau said petitioners have not demonstrated there is good cause to waive the applicable sections of the Commission's rules.
- USAC filed a [letter](#) on August 3, 2020, on its efforts to remind carriers of their obligation to report in the HUBB all locations to which they deployed broadband in the previous calendar year or to submit a certification even when the carrier has no locations to report. USAC said it published a HUBB user guide and list of FAQs, and hosts webinars where USAC reminds carriers of these obligations. USAC also said it sends general and targeted emails to carriers as the annual filing deadline approaches and provided text from several of these emails.
- The Rural Broadband Auctions Task Force, Wireline Competition Bureau and the Office of Economics and Analytics issued a [public notice](#) on August 3, 2020, announcing they are ready to authorize CAF Phase II Auction 903 support for Viasat's winning bid to serve 13,819 locations in Mississippi. Viasat must submit the required letter(s) of credit and legal counsel opinion letter(s) by August 17, 2020.
- The FCC [circulated](#) an item on the Rural Digital Opportunity Fund auction on August 6, 2020.
- An FCC [notice](#) was published in the Federal Register on August 10, 2020, seeking Paperwork Reduction Act comments on a new information collection on Alaska Plan end of term commitments. A requirement adopted in the 2016 Alaska Plan [order](#) required that participating carriers update their end-of-term commitments no later than the end of the fourth year of support, i.e., by December 31, 2020. The purpose of this information collection is to collect from the participating carriers their updated end-of-term commitments and addresses the burdens associated with that requirement. PRA comments are due September 9, 2020.
- Windstream filed a [request for waiver](#) on August 4, 2020, of section 1.21001(d)(4) (the major modification rule) to allow Windstream to amend its RDOF Auction 904 short-form application to reflect changes in ownership that would constitute the transfer of control. It said grant of the waiver would enable it to emerge from bankruptcy at a point during the Auction 904 timeline without disqualifying it from participating.
- Little Miami Gig filed a [petition for waiver](#) on July 31, 2020, of the Commission's prohibition on untimely short-form applications for the RDOF auction. It said it is still undergoing hardships directly related to the pandemic and a waiver would allow it to participate in the RDOF auction.
- Allband [re-filed](#) its June 14, 2020 motion that requested the FCC grant Allband leave to supplement its [application for review](#) of the Wireline Competition Bureau's [order](#) that granted in part Allband's petition for waiver of the per loop USF high-cost support cap of \$250 per month. Allband asserted the supplement raises some additional updated factual circumstances and arguments that Allband could not have been aware of or made within the 30-day deadline applicable to filing supplements to an AFR. Allband said its June 14, 2020 motion, supplement, and supporting affidavit remain unchanged except for the amendment to add a table of contents, table of authorities, and summary.
- Reply comments were filed on August 6, 2020, on the adjustment factor values for the [5G Fund](#). [Smith Bagley, Inc.](#) proposed a Remote Tribal Lands Plan, in which it says would carve out a small portion of the 5G Fund to maintain support at levels that allow investments to maintain existing services throughout Tribal areas currently being served, and allow for steady upgrades to 4G LTE/5G technologies. The [Irregularators](#) asserted the FCC must start audits and investigations into the actual expenses for backhaul services and halt all cross-subsidies that are now in place with 5G wireless. [All replies available](#)

- Winnebago Cooperative Telecom Association filed a [letter](#) on August 5, 2020, pursuant to the July 29, 2020 [public notice](#), indicating it elects to receive an additional seventh year of CAF Phase II model-based support in study area code 351338 in Iowa.
- Heartland Telecom of Iowa filed a [letter](#) on August 6, 2020, pursuant to the July 29, 2020 [public notice](#), indicating it elects to receive an additional year of CAF Phase II model-based support in the amount of \$2,184,040 for 2,767 locations.

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## ICC

- The D.C. Circuit issued an [opinion](#) on August 4, 2020, addressing petitions for review filed by Aureon Network Services and AT&T on access charges. The court granted in part and denied in part the petitions and remanded the case to the FCC.
- Northern Valley Communications filed a [petition for review](#) with the D.C. Circuit Court on July 29, 2020, of the [order](#) that found its [tariff revisions](#) to be unlawful because it violated section 201(b) of the act, the [access arbitrage order](#) and access stimulation rules. Northern Valley asserted the order fails to identify a single substantive rule or regulation it violated.
- USTelecom filed a [letter](#) on August 6, 2020, to discuss its 8YY access charge reform [proposal](#) and to urge the Commission to allow for sufficient recovery in the 8YY proceeding. It asserted allowing providers to avail themselves of existing eligible recovery mechanisms, with a limited waiver of the formulas, would have a very modest impact on the end user
- Frontier and Windstream [spoke with](#) Wireline Competition Bureau and Office of Economics and Analytics staff on August 3, 2020, regarding access reform. They asserted an order eliminating originating access charges in connection with 8YY calls would be illegal if originating carriers do not have the ability to recover those lost revenues. They urged the Commission to not move forward in eliminating 8YY access charges without simultaneously allowing LECs to recover lost revenues.
- Lingo Communications of Kentucky [spoke with](#) Wireline Competition Bureau and Office of Economics and Analytics staff on August 5, 2020, regarding Lingo's Transmittal No. 3 that proposes revisions to its interstate access service Tariff F.C.C. No. 1, which was [suspended](#) by the Commission on July 30, 2020. Lingo asserted it qualifies for the rural exemption set forth in section 61.26(e) and the calculations underlying the rates set forth in its F.C.C. No. 1.

## Broadband

- The House [passed](#) a package of six fiscal year 2021 appropriations bills on July 31, 2020, including the Financial Services and General Government [funding bill](#). This bill, among other things, provides \$376.1 million for the FCC and includes funding to implement new broadband mapping legislation. The bill also includes \$61 billion in funding for the FCC to expand availability of broadband to unserved areas, and for broadband mapping and replacement of telecommunications equipment deemed to pose a national security threat to the United States. [division by division summary](#)
- The USDA [announced](#) on August 6, 2020, it is investing more than \$29 million to provide broadband service in unserved and underserved rural areas in Oklahoma. Pioneer Telephone Cooperative will use \$24.2 million and Cimarron Telephone will use \$5.4 million to deploy FTTP networks. The investment is part of the \$100 million in grant funding made available for the ReConnect Program through the CARES Act.
- The FCC issued a [news release](#) on August 3, 2020, announcing the release of an updated version of its speed test app. The FCC said its updated app allows users to test their cellular and Wi-Fi network performance for download and upload speed, latency, jitter and packet loss. This app is available from

the Apple App Store and Google Play. The FCC also announced [updated mobile data](#) conducted by the speed test app through the second quarter of 2020.

- Connect Americans Now and 46 organizations sent a [letter](#) to Reps. Nancy Pelosi (D-Calif.) and Kevin McCarthy (R-Calif.), and Sens. Mitch McConnell (R-Ky.) and Chuck Schumer (D-N.Y.) on August 4, 2020, requesting Congress provide funding to eliminate the digital divide for all Americans as part of the next COVID-19 relief package. [news release](#)
- Sens. Joel Manchin (D-W.V.) and John Cornyn (R-Texas) [introduced](#) a bill on August 6, 2020, entitled “Accelerating Connected Care and Education Support Services on the Internet Act,” to expand reliable broadband access for education and telehealth appointments for rural America during the pandemic. The bill provides funding for the Education Stabilization Fund, hotspots through libraries, and telehealth services through the FCC and VA. [background information on bill](#)
- The Edison Electric Institute, NRECA, and the Utilities Technology Council filed a [motion](#) on August 6, 2020, requesting the Commission extend the deadline for comments to September 16, 2020, and extend the deadline for reply comments to October, 14, 2020, on the [public notice](#) seeking comment on NCTA’s [petition](#) requesting the FCC clarify that, in unserved areas, it is unjust and unreasonable for pole owners to shift the entire cost of a pole replacement to a new attaché.

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## Other Universal Service

- President Trump signed an [executive order](#) on August 3, 2020, to further expand access to telehealth services during the COVID-19 pandemic, especially in rural communities, and extend the availability of certain telehealth services after the current public health emergency ends. The order directs the Health and Human Services and Agriculture Departments to coordinate with the FCC and other departments and agencies to develop and implement a strategy to improve rural health by improving the physical and communications health care infrastructure available to rural Americans. [press release](#)
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued an [order on reconsideration and order](#) on August 6, 2020, resolving several petitions relating to the Stage 2 of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and Connect USVI Fund. The Bureau granted in part and denied in part, a [petition](#) from Viya challenging the number of locations winning service providers must serve in the U.S. Virgin Islands. The Bureau also denied requests to modify the location adjustment process, and waived in part the letter of credit value rules for high-cost support recipients of the Stage 2 process and directed support recipients to comply with the RDOF letter of credit value rules.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a [public notice](#) on August 6, 2020, releasing [updated list](#) of the eligible minimum geographic areas and associated annual reserve prices, and location counts for Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands for Stage 2 fixed support. The list is based on 2018 housing data for the Territories and to give applicants an opportunity to conduct due diligence in advance of preparing applications.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a [public notice](#) on August 6, 2020, announcing the application window for the Stage 2 competitive process of the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund will open on August 6, 2020 and close on September 3, 2020. An applicant must timely and properly file the FCC Form 5634 application form and all required materials to be considered a participant in the Stage 2 competitive process for support in the Territories.
- USAC filed the [Federal Universal Service Support Mechanisms Fund Size Projections](#) for the fourth quarter of 2020 on July 31, 2020. USAC indicated the total high-cost support mechanism funding requirements are projected to be \$1.248 billion. ([appendices](#)).

- USAC filed a [seventh update](#) to the Lifeline National Verifier Plan on July 31, 2020, which was created in response to the 2017 Lifeline modernization [order](#). USAC indicated this updated version describes the systems and processes of the national verifier, provides a status of the project and details the enhancements it is pursuing to improve the system.
- Joan Marsh of AT&T wrote a [blog post](#) on August 4, 2020, asserting if the Lifeline program is to play a bigger role in addressing the well documented internet usage gaps for low income Americans, the program must be modernized. She suggested: eligible households could apply to the national verifier; get a Lifeline benefit card in the mail that could be loaded and reloaded with the monthly benefit amount; and allow Lifeline customers to use the card account to help pay for broadband services from any participating provider.
- The National Lifeline Association and TracFone [spoke with](#) Commissioner Starks' advisor on August 4, 2020, regarding the [public notice](#) announcing the updated Lifeline minimum service standards and indexed budget amount and the [press release](#) announcing circulation of draft order regarding the Lifeline mobile broadband minimum service standards. They also discussed the results of NaLA's summer 2020 Lifeline subscriber survey.
- TruConnect [spoke with](#) Commissioner O'Rielly and Commissioner Carr's legal advisor on July 27, 2020, regarding the Commission's temporary waiver of Lifeline recertification, reverification and non-usage requirements, and the 2021 Lifeline minimum services standard formula for data. TruConnect [also spoke with](#) Commissioner O'Rielly on July 27, 2020, and [Commissioner Rosenworcel's](#) legal advisor on August 4, 2020, regarding the same issues.
- TracFone [spoke with](#) Commissioner O'Rielly and his legal advisor on July 31, 2020, regarding the [proposal](#) to modify the formula that calculates the Lifeline mobile broadband minimum service standards for data usage allowance. It asserted an increase from the current 3 gigabytes to the proposed 4.5 gigabytes per month would still have a harsh impact on Lifeline consumers due to the asymmetry between the Lifeline subsidy amount.
- The National Lifeline Association [spoke with](#) Commissioner Carr's legal advisor on July 30, 2020, regarding the [proposal](#) to modify the Lifeline mobile broadband minimum service standards. NaLA urged Carr's office to look at the draft order and seek to modify it, so at a minimum the mobile broadband MSS is held at its current level pending study of subsidy levels, affordability and competition.
- The National Lifeline Association and TracFone [spoke with](#) Commissioner Starks' advisor on August 4, 2020, regarding the [public notice](#) announcing the updated Lifeline minimum service standards and indexed budget amount and the [press release](#) announcing circulation of draft order regarding the Lifeline mobile broadband minimum service standards. They also discussed the results of NaLA's summer 2020 Lifeline subscriber survey.
- XO Communications [spoke with](#) Commissioner O'Rielly's legal advisor on August 5, 2020, regarding the order on circulation on its [application for review](#) of the [order](#) denying its request for review on whether certain revenues associated with specific mixed-use special access lines should be considered interstate for the purpose of assessing USF contributions. XO [also spoke with](#) Chairman Pai's advisor regarding similar issues.
- Blackburn Technologies filed a [supplement](#) on August 4, 2020, to its [petition](#) seeking a waiver of section 54.1505(a) (stage 2 fixed support application process). Blackburn said it is in the process of securing designation as an ETC in Puerto Rico, and it is quite likely it will obtain the required ETC designation well before the deadline specified by the Commission for Stage 2 winning bidders.
- Viya [spoke with](#) Chairman Pai's advisor on July 30, 2020, regarding ex partes from the [PR-USVI Fund Coalition](#) and [Critical Hub Networks](#) on Coalition's [petition](#) seeking waiver of letter of credit provisions in the rules for the Uniendo a Puerto Rico Fund and the Connect USVI Fund. Viya asserted the filings show the Coalition members are not financially qualified to participate in the competitive proposal

process and recommended the Commission refrain from considering waivers of any provisions of the program's financial security requirements until after support recipients have been selected.

- Puerto Rico Telephone Company [spoke with](#) Chairman Pai's advisor on August 4, 2020, regarding the pro-rata support reduction mechanism in the PR-USVI Fund [order](#) and to express opposition to Blackburn's [petition](#) for waiver. PRTC encouraged the Commission to prospectively waive, on its own motion, the pro-rata reduction in support associated with the one-year location adjustment process.
- Siyeh Communications [spoke with](#) Wireline Competition and Office of Native Affairs staff on July 31, 2020, regarding its [joint petition](#) for a study area waiver on the transfer of the Browning, Montana exchange from 3 Rivers to SiyCom. Siyeh urged the FCC to promptly decide the proceeding, and said Siyeh and 3 Rivers have agreed to close the transaction by no later than August 31, 2020, to meet their obligations under the asset purchase and related agreements.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued [an order](#) on August 6, 2020, granting waivers of the funding year 2020 FCC Form 471 application filing window deadline to provide additional, limited relief for those applicants that were affected by the pandemic and submitted their applications within 60 days of the close of the filing window. The Bureau directed USAC to process these late-filed applications as if they were timely filed and to further determine compliance with E-Rate program rules and requirements.
- The State E-Rate Coordinators' Alliance sent a [letter](#) to Chairman Pai on August 3, 2020, to ask for additional relief for schools that have had to increase their E-rate eligible, on-campus internet connectivity to continue to be able to provide education during the pandemic. SECA said these costs have been incurred after they filed their funding year 2020 Form 471 applications and have had to pay these additional charges without the benefit of E-rate funding.
- The Schools, Health, & Libraries Broadband Coalition, Consortium for School Networking, and State Educational Technology Directors Association filed a [letter](#) on August 4, 2020, asking the Commission to extend the [previously-granted waiver](#) of the E-Rate and rural health care gift rules, which is set to expire September 30, 2020, until June 30, 2021.
- The Tanana Chiefs Conference filed a [letter](#) on August 4, 2020, urging the FCC to grant its [application for review](#) of a rural health care program [decision](#). TCC asserted granting the request comports with the recent [executive order](#) on expanding telehealth access.

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### Misc.

- The FCC released the following items adopted at its August 6, 2020, [Open Meeting](#): a [public notice](#) adopting procedures for the auction of new flexible-use overlay licenses in the 3.7–3.98 GHz band (Auction 107) for 5G, the Internet of Things, and other advanced wireless services ([public notice](#) on technical guides); a [report and order](#) eliminating the radio duplication rule with regard to AM stations and retain the rule for FM stations; and a [report and order on remand and a fourth FNPRM](#) responding to remands by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit and proposing to comprehensively reform rates and charges for the inmate calling services within the Commission's jurisdiction.
- The FCC [deleted](#) the following items from its [agenda](#) for its August 6, 2020 Open Meeting because they already been adopted and released: a [report and order](#) eliminating the common antenna siting rules for FM and TV broadcaster applicants and licensees; and a [report and order](#) to repeal certain TRS rules that are no longer needed in light of changes in technology and voice communications services.
- The White House [announced](#) on August 3, 2020, the withdrawal of Commissioner O'Rielly's nomination for a five-year term from July 1, 2019, which was sent to the Senate on March 18, 2020.

- Reply comments were filed on the [NPRM](#) detariffing telephone access charges on August 4, 2020. [NTCA](#) asserted the rules the NPRM proposes to eliminate serve a valuable purpose in promoting universal service, providing certainty to providers operating in difficult and high-cost-to-serve rural areas, and reducing burdens associated with the recovery of regulated costs. NTCA said mandatory detariffing of the charges at issue would only promote confusion and disruption as consumers see charges disappear in one place only to reappear in another on invoices. [USTelecom](#) asserted adjustments to the manner in which carriers recover the costs of their service raise very complex and intertwined matters that require careful collaboration and calibration among a variety of stakeholders. It said the Commission's proposal, as currently structured, will produce unintended and harmful consequences for consumers, businesses, service providers and the USF. The [California PUC](#) said the FCC should not move forward with this NPRM, claiming it raises broader issues with jurisdictional separations and contribution reform, and proposals will harm rate-of-return carriers, create jurisdictional issues and undermine state universal service programs. [all replies available](#)
- USTelecom and NTCA [spoke with](#) Chairman Pai's senior counsel on July 30, 2020, regarding the implications of proposed reforms in the [NPRM](#) detariffing telephone access charges, consistent with their comments in this proceeding.
- The FCC issued a [public notice](#) on August 3, 2020, to announce ZTE filed a [petition for reconsideration](#) of the [order](#) formally designating it as a covered company for the purpose of the November 2019 [ban](#) on the use of universal service support to purchase equipment or services from companies posing a national security threat. Oppositions are due 10 days after the petition is filed, or August 10, 2020; replies are due within 7 days after the last day for filing oppositions.
- The FCC issued a [public notice](#) on August 3, 2020, to announce Huawei filed an [application for review](#) of the [order](#) formally designating it as a covered company for the purpose of the November 2019 [ban](#) on the use of universal service support to purchase equipment or services from companies posing a national security threat. Oppositions are due within 15 days after the AFR is filed, or August 14, 2020; replies are due within 10 days after oppositions are filed.
- The [declaratory ruling](#) that integrates provisions of the Secure Networks Act into its existing supply chain proceeding was published in the [Federal Register](#) on August 3, 2020, and is applicable July 17, 2020
- The [FNPRM](#) that integrates provisions of the Secure Networks Act into the FCC's existing supply chain proceeding was published in the [Federal Register](#) on August 10, 2020. Comments are due August 31, 2020; replies are due September 14, 2020.
- CCA, Viaero Wireless, Ericsson, Commnet Wireless/ATN International and Triangle Communications [spoke with](#) Commissioner Starks' advisor and Wireline Competition Bureau staff on July 30 and 31, 2020, regarding implementation of the Secure Networks Act. They urged the Commission to: adopt a mechanism by which carriers can obtain upfront approval of their transition plans; establish a payment schedule and clear milestones for payments so carriers know when they will be able to obtain payments to facilitate the transition; and give all parties clear guidance on how it will implement both blanket and individual waivers.
- WorldNet Telecommunications [spoke with](#) legal advisors to Commissioners Starks and O'Rielly on August 3 and 4, 2020, to express opposition to the proposals in the [NPRM](#) to eliminate and/or further restrict access to unbundled network elements, specifically as they relate to Puerto Rico. WorldNet asserted the unique circumstances presented in Puerto Rico and the potential for stranding significant amounts of competitive facilities investment weighs heavily in favor of not applying the FCC's proposal in Puerto Rico or, at a minimum, grandfathering existing dark fiber services and/or deferring the implementation of the remaining UNEs under consideration at least five years.
- INCOMPAS, USTelecom, AT&T, et al. filed a [letter](#) on August 5, 2020, proposing a compromise resolution they say the FCC should adopt with respect to unbundled DS0 loops, DS1 loops, DS3 loops, and Operation Support Systems. They urged the Commission to adopt this proposal without modification, noting that they all have made concessions to bring this overall effort to fruition.

USTelecom and INCOMPAS [spoke with](#) Chairman Pai's wireline advisor and Wireline Competition Bureau staff on August 3, 2020, to discuss the compromise proposal.

- iconectiv [spoke with](#) Chairman Pai's advisor and Wireline Competition Bureau staff on July 30, 2020, regarding its [petition](#) for competitive bidding of the toll-free numbering administrator
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a [public notice](#) on August 4, 2020, seeking comment on a section 214 application filed by ACME Communications, ETS Telephone, ETS Cablevision and Radiate Holdings requesting approval to transfer control of the ETS Licensees from ACME to Radiate. Comments are due August 18, 2020; reply comments are due August 25, 2020.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued two public notices on August 6, 2020, announcing [Noble Systems](#) and [Star2Star Communications](#) filed applications for authorization to obtain NANP telephone numbers directly from the numbering administrators for their iVoIP service. Comments are due August 21, 2020.
- Reply comments are due August 10, 2020, on a [petition](#) for rulemaking and declaratory ruling filed by CTIA and USTelecom to simplify filing requirements for *pro forma* assignment and transfer of control applications. [public notice](#)
- Comments were filed on August 5, 2020, on whether 515 proceedings should be terminated as dormant. [AFTRCC](#) filed on the allocation of spectrum for aeronautical mobile telemetry operations, and asserted this issue is not dormant. [Lectrosonics](#) and [Shure](#) filed on the UHF TV band issue, and claimed this matter is unresolved. Replies are due August 20, 2020. [public notice](#) | [FR](#)
- Chairman Pai [announced](#) on August 7, 2020, staff changes in his office. C. Sean Spivey is joining the Chairman's office as wireless and international advisor, replacing Aaron Goldberger, who is returning to the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau and Allison Baker is joining the office as economic advisor. Chairman Pai's current rural broadband advisor, Preston Wise, will now take on the duties of wireline advisor, replacing Nirali Patel, who is returning to the Wireline Competition Bureau. Additionally, Melissa Kirkel will be returning to the Wireline Competition Bureau.
- The Managing Director issued an [order](#) on August 4, 2020, amending its rules to reflect the new address of the Commission's headquarters, 45 L Street, NE, Washington, D.C. 20554, in light of the Commission's upcoming move to a new headquarters building. The order also makes changes to clarify that certain documents are now available for inspection through the Commission's website, removes references to a Commission copy contractor, and makes minor formatting corrections. The rules are not effective until 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.

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## Upcoming Filing Dates

- Aug. 11 - Comments due on 3 Billionaires' application for authorization to obtain NANP telephone numbers directly from the numbering administrators for its iVoIP service. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 13 - Replies due on iconectiv's [petition](#) asking the Commission to conduct a competitive procurement process to select the toll-free numbering administrator. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 14 - Oppositions due on Huawei's [application for review](#) of the [order](#) formally designating it as a covered company for the purpose of the November 2019 [ban](#) on the use of universal service support to purchase equipment or services from companies posing a national security threat. Replies due August 24, 2020. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 17 - PRA comments due on extension of a currently approved collection associated with Part 59 infrastructure sharing. [notice](#)



- Aug. 17 - Replies to oppositions due ZTE's [petition for reconsideration](#) of the [order](#) formally designating it as a covered company for the purpose of the November 2019 [ban](#) on the use of universal service support to purchase equipment or services from companies posing a national security threat. [public notice](#)
- Aug 17 - PRA comments due on a revised information collection relating to the COVID-19 [telehealth order](#) (FCC Forms 460, 461, 462 and 463). [notice](#)
- Aug. 18 - Comments due on a section 214 application requesting approval to transfer control of the ETS Licensees from ACME to Radiate. Replies due August 25, 2020. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 19 - Comments due on NCTA's [petition](#) requesting the FCC clarify it is unjust and unreasonable for pole owners to shift the entire cost of a pole replacement to a new attachers. Replies due September 3, 2020. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 20 - Replies due on whether 515 proceedings should be terminated as dormant. [public notice](#) | [FR](#)
- Aug. 20 - Comments due on the proposed E-rate eligible services list for funding year 2021. Replies are due September 4, 2020. [public notice](#)
- Aug 21 - Comments due on Noble Systems application for authorization to obtain NANP telephone numbers directly from the numbering administrators for its iVoIP service. [public notice](#)
- Aug 21 - Comments due on Star2Star Communications application for authorization to obtain NANP telephone numbers directly from the numbering administrators for its iVoIP service. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 24 - Replies to oppositions due on Huawei's [application for review](#) of the [order](#) formally designating it as a covered company for the purpose of the November 2019 [ban](#) on the use of universal service support to purchase equipment or services from companies posing a national security threat. [public notice](#)
- Aug 25 - Replies due on a section 214 application requesting approval to transfer control of the ETS Licensees from ACME to Radiate. [public notice](#)
- Aug. 31 - PRA comments due on a new information collection on the CAF II eligible locations adjustment process. [notice](#)
- Aug 31 - Comments due on the [FNPRM](#) that integrates provisions of the Secure Networks Act into the FCC's existing supply chain proceeding. Replies due September 14, 2020. [FR](#)
- Aug. 31 - Comments due on additional steps to further protect consumers from robocalls and inform them about provider blocking efforts. Replies due September 29, 2020. [FNPRM](#) | [FR](#)
- Sept. 3 - Replies due on NCTA's [petition](#) requesting the FCC clarify it is unjust and unreasonable for pole owners to shift the entire cost of a pole replacement to a new attachers. [public notice](#)
- Sept. 4 - Replies due on the proposed E-rate eligible services list for funding year 2021. [public notice](#)
- Sept. 4 - PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection associated with FCC Forms 499-A and 499-Q, annual and quarterly telecommunications reporting worksheets.
- Sept. 9 - PRA comments due on a new information collection on Alaska Plan end of term commitments. [FR](#)

- Sept. 14 - Replies due on the [FNPRM](#) that integrates provisions of the Secure Networks Act into the FCC's existing supply chain proceeding. [FR](#)
- Sept. 21 - PRA comments due on a revision of a currently approved collection associated with Part 32 accounting requirements. [FR](#)
- Sept. 29 - Replies due on additional steps to further protect consumers from robocalls and inform them about provider blocking efforts. [FNPRM](#) | [FR](#)

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