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## COMMON CARRIER BUREAU ESTABLISHES REVISED PLEADING CYCLE FOR COMMENTS IN SECTION 706 NOTICE OF INQUIRY, FCC 98-187, AND DEPLOYMENT OF ADVANCED TELECOMMUNICATIONS NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING, FCC 98-188

CC DOCKET NO. 98-146 CC DOCKET NO. 98-147

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On August 6, 1998, the Commission adopted a Notice of Inquiry (NOI) pursuant to section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 and established a pleading cycle requiring parties to file comments by September 8, 1998, and reply comments by October 8, 1998.<sup>1</sup> On August 6, 1998, the Commission also adopted a Memorandum Opinion and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) in response to six petitions for relief filed by various parties. The Commission established a pleading cycle for the NPRM requiring parties to file comments by September 21, 1998, and reply comments by October 13, 1998.<sup>2</sup> Because of the proximity of these dates to certain holidays, the Bureau has revised the pleading cycle as follows:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Inquiry Concerning the Deployment of Advanced Telecommunications Capability to All Americans in a Reasonable and Timely Fashion, and Possible Steps to Accelerate Such Deployment Pursuant to Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, CC Docket No. 98-146, Notice of Inquiry, FCC 98-187,  $\P$  86 (rel. Aug. 7, 1998).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Deployment of Wireline Services Offering Advanced Telecommunications Capability, CC Docket No. 98-147, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 98-188, ¶ 200 (rel. Aug. 7, 1998).

<u>NOI (CC Docket No. 98-146)</u>: Interested parties may file comments on or before September 14, 1998, and reply comments on or before October 8, 1998.

<u>NPRM (CC Docket No. 98-147)</u>: Interested parties may file comments on or before September 25, 1998, and reply comments on or before October 16, 1998.

This is a revised schedule for comments and replies only; all other procedural requirements set forth in the NOI and NPRM remain unchanged.

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