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## **EXTENSION OF FILING DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS TO QUALCOMM INCORPORATED'S PETITION FOR DECLARATORY RULING**

**Comment Date: February 18, 2000**

**Reply Date: February 25, 2000**

In a *Public Notice* released on February 4, 2000, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (the "Bureau") sought comment on QUALCOMM Incorporated's ("QUALCOMM") Petition for Declaratory Ruling seeking to withdraw its pending pioneer's preference request for the A Block broadband PCS license in the Southern Florida Major Trading Area and substitute for it the 700 MHz band D Block license (752-762 MHz and 782-792 MHz) in the Southeast Economic Area Grouping 3 ("EAG 3").<sup>1</sup> Specifically, the *Public Notice* requested that comments addressing any issues raised by QUALCOMM be filed on or before February 14, 2000 and reply comments on or before February 21, 2000.<sup>2</sup>

Both Bell Atlantic Mobile, Inc. ("BAM")<sup>3</sup> and U S WEST Wireless LLC ("U S WEST")<sup>4</sup> have requested an extension of the deadline for filing comments to QUALCOMM's Petition for Declaratory Ruling. These parties contend that an extension of the deadline is warranted because of the important issues raised and the nature of the analysis required for parties to adequately respond.

It is the policy of the Commission that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted.<sup>5</sup> Upon

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<sup>1</sup> "Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on QUALCOMM Incorporated's Petition for Declaratory Ruling Seeking 700 MHz Band License Pursuant to Ruling of U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals," *Public Notice*, DA 00-219 (rel. February 4, 2000).

<sup>2</sup> *Id.*

<sup>3</sup> Bell Atlantic Mobile, Inc., Emergency Motion for Extension of Time, filed February 9, 2000.

<sup>4</sup> U S WEST Wireless LLC, Emergency Motion for Extension of Time, filed February 10, 2000.

<sup>5</sup> 47 C.F.R. § 1.46.

review, however, we agree that an extension will afford parties the time to file comments that will facilitate the compilation of a more complete record in this proceeding, without causing undue delay to the Commission's consideration of the issues.

Accordingly, we extend the filing deadline for comments to the petition filed by QUALCOMM. Comments addressing any issues raised by QUALCOMM must be filed by February 18, 2000, and reply comments are due by February 25, 2000. Adoption of these deadlines should provide interested parties with an adequate opportunity to prepare and file meaningful comments in this proceeding.

In all other respects, the terms and filing instructions set forth in the *Public Notice* released on February 4, 2000 (DA 00-219) apply.<sup>6</sup>

We reiterate that QUALCOMM's petition is available for public inspection and copying in the Reference Center, Room CY A257, 445 12th St., S.W., Washington, DC 20554. Copies of the petition are also available from ITS at 1231 20<sup>th</sup> St. N.W., Washington, DC 20036, or by calling (202) 857-3800.

For further information, contact Nicole Oden of the Auctions and Industry Analysis Division at (202) 418-0660.

By the Chief, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau

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<sup>6</sup> See "Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Seeks Comment on QUALCOMM Incorporated's Petition for Declaratory Ruling Seeking 700 MHz Band License Pursuant to Ruling of U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals," DA 00-219 (rel. February 4, 2000).