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## **NECA's Weekly Federal Regulatory Summary**

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#### September 27, 2021 HIGHLIGHTS

- The FCC issued the <u>agenda</u> for its Sept. 30, 2021 Open Meeting and will consider nine items, including an <u>NPRM</u> on clarifying tribal libraries are eligible for support through the E-Rate program and FNPRMs on <u>imposing obligations</u> on gateway providers to help stop illegal robocalls originating abroad, and on <u>protecting Public Safety Answering Points</u> from unwanted robocalls.
- Twenty-five Democratic senators <u>urged</u> President Biden to designate acting FCC Chairwoman Rosenworcel as permanent chair.
- The FCC <u>announced</u> it committed over \$1.2 billion in Emergency Connectivity Fund support for 3,040 schools, 260 libraries, and 24 consortia. The Wireline Competition Bureau <u>directed</u> USAC to review and process ECF program applications filed after the close of the initial application filing window with those filed in the second application filing window.
- The <u>report and order</u> adopting rules to implement the TRACED Act to streamline the process by which private entities may submit information to the FCC about violations of the Communications Act <u>is</u> <u>effective</u> Oct. 25, 2021.
- The Enforcement Bureau <u>corrected</u> the reporting period for submitting information on the status of private-led traceback efforts of suspected robocalls. The reporting period is from Nov. 1, 2020, through Oct. 31, 2021. Submissions are due by Nov. 15, 2021.
- <u>Comments were filed</u> on the <u>NPRM and NOI</u> on steps the FCC could take to secure the nation's critical communications networks through its equipment authorization and competitive bidding programs. Replies are due Oct. 18, 2021.
- The Rural Wireless Association filed a <u>petition for reconsideration</u> of the supply chain third <u>report and order</u>.
- The <u>report and order</u> adopting a schedule of regulatory fees to assess and collect \$374 million for fiscal year 2021 <u>is effective</u> Sept. 22, 2021. The due date for fees was <u>extended</u> to Sept. 27, 2021.

# Other Key Upcoming Dates

 Oct. 14 - Comments due on the <u>FNPRM</u> on updating the FCC's rules on direct access to numbers by interconnected VoIP providers to safeguard numbering resources. Replies are due Nov. 15, 2021. <u>FR</u>

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#### **USF Reform**

Jefferson Energy Cooperative filed a <u>letter</u> on Sept. 21, 2021, in support of A2D's <u>petition for waiver</u> to assign RHMD's winning bids in the RDOF Phase I auction to A2D. Jefferson Energy said without financial assistance, such as the RDOF, broadband providers are not going to build into Jefferson Energy's rural service territory because of the high cost of the infrastructure and low density of customers. It said the awarding of assistance from the RDOF to A2D is crucially important to Jefferson Energy and its members.

#### **Broadband**

- Replies are due Sept. 27, 2021, on the proposed technical requirements to implement the mobile challenge, verification and crowdsource processes required under the Broadband DATA Act. <u>public</u> notice
- ACT | The App Association, et al. <u>spoke with</u> Commissioner Starks' chief of staff and legal advisor on Sept. 21, 2021, regarding broadband mapping and other issues. They said more accurate and granular maps, that can correctly identify unconnected and underserved communities and areas are essential to the FCC accomplishing its mission of appropriately targeting its USF support by deploying broadband infrastructure to the areas where it is most needed. They also expressed support for the Commission's ongoing efforts to close the digital divide, such as the Emergency Broadband Benefit, and discussed broadband connectivity for healthcare, robocalls, and the 6 GHz band. They also spoke with Commissioner Carr and his legal advisor regarding similar issues.
- Comments were filed on Sept. 22, 2021, on a section 253 petition for declaratory ruling filed by Bluebird Network. NTCA and WISPA supported the petition, and NATOA et al., opposed the petition. NTCA asserted the right of way fees and practices identified by Bluebird have no basis in Commission rulings on such practices and impose a significant effect on providers' ability to offer broadband or other technology services to the communities. WISPA asserted the FCC should require the City of Columbia to set a new fee that is both tied to the city's actual costs to manage the rights-of-way, and which places no greater burden on new entrants than existing rights-of-way fees place on existing providers. NATOA et al. urged the FCC to deny the petition and asserted the Commission lacks authority to adjudicate disputes related to section 253(c). Replies are due Oct. 12, 2021. public notice | all comments available
- The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau issued a <u>public notice</u> on Sept. 22, 2021, announcing 20 Rural Tribal Priority Window applications (listed in attachments A and B) have been found to be acceptable for filing. The Bureau said such acceptance does not mean all application requirements have been met, nor does it mean any waiver requested with the application will be granted. Petitions to deny the applications are due Oct. 22, 2021; oppositions to a petition to deny are due Nov. 1, 2021; and replies are due Nov. 8, 2021.
- The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau issued a <u>public notice</u> on Sept. 22, 2021, on mutually exclusive Rural Tribal Priority Window applications. The Bureau said most of the applications that remain pending are mutually exclusive with other applications also filed in the window, and this occurs when more than one application requests some amount of common geographic area and spectrum. It said such applications cannot be processed under the FCC's normal review process unless the overlap is eliminated. It suggested tribal entities with pending applications assess whether their applications are mutually exclusive with any others and, if so, take steps to remedy any overlaps.
- An FCC <u>notice</u> was published in the Federal Register on Sept. 23, 2021, announcing the Task Force
  for Reviewing the Connectivity and Technology Needs of Precision Agriculture in the United States will
  hold its next meeting on Oct. 14, 2021, via conference call. At this meeting, the task force will hear
  updates from the working group leadership and discuss recommendations. The FCC also issued a
  <u>public notice</u> on Sept. 23, 2021, announcing the meeting.
- An FCC <u>notice</u> was published in the Federal Register on Sept. 27, 2021, seeking Paperwork Reduction Act comments on an extension of a currently approved information collection regarding network

change disclosure rules. The FCC noted in June 2018, it revised its network change disclosure rules to revise the types of network changes that trigger an ILEC's public notice obligation and extend the force majeure provisions applicable to copper retirements to all types of network changes. PRA comments are due Oct. 27, 2021.

- An FCC <u>notice</u> was published in the Federal Register on Sept. 23, 2021, seeking Paperwork Reduction
  Act comments on an extension of a currently approved information collection associated with section
  214 applications. Section 214 requires a carrier to first obtain FCC authorization either to construct,
  operate, or engage in transmission over a line of communications; or discontinue, reduce or impair
  service over a line of communications. PRA comments are due Oct. 25, 2021.
- The Enforcement Bureau issued a <u>memorandum opinion and order</u> on Sept. 21, 2021, granting in part a complaint by AT&T against Duke Energy that alleged the rates AT&T pays for the use of Duke's poles are unjust and unreasonable. The Bureau directed AT&T and Duke to negotiate a new reciprocal joint use agreement that reflects proportional reciprocal rates for Duke's attachments to AT&T's poles under the joint use agreement, and to negotiate in good faith to reach an agreement on the amount of AT&T's refund, among other things.
- USTelecom filed a <u>letter</u> on Sept. 23, 2021, on Edison Electric Institute's <u>petition for declaratory ruling</u> on pole attachment complaint refunds. USTelecom said the petition should be dismissed on procedural grounds and on the merits. USTelecom claimed the relief the petition seeks would frustrate the FCC's broadband deployment goals.

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#### Robocalls

- The Enforcement Bureau issued a <u>public notice</u> on Sept. 23, 2021, correcting the reporting period in its July 20, 2021, <u>public notice</u> which requested information on the status of private-led traceback efforts of suspected robocalls. The reporting period is from Nov. 1, 2020, through Oct. 31, 2021. Submissions are due by Nov. 15, 2021.
- The <u>report and order</u> adopting rules to implement the TRACED Act to streamline the process by which
  private entities may submit information to the Commission about violations of the Communications Act
  was published in the <u>Federal Register</u> on Sept. 23, 2021. The order is effective Oct. 25, 2021.
- INCOMPAS, the Cloud Communications Alliance and VON Coalition filed a <u>letter</u> on Sept. 23, 2021, regarding the draft <u>FNPRM</u> on additional steps to combat illegal robocalls. They said while they take no position on the notice, they supported the provision that the Commission will not enforce the foreign service provider prohibition during the pendency of the proceeding and encouraged the Commission to preserve this language if the draft FNPRM is adopted and released.
- AT&T <u>spoke with</u> advisors to Commissioners Simington and Carr on Sept. 22, 2021, regarding the
  draft <u>FNPRM</u> on additional steps to combat illegal robocalls. AT&T supported efforts to identify
  additional steps to prevent internationally originated illegal robocalls from entering the United States
  and expressed appreciation for the FCC's recognition that further review of the rules is needed so that
  gateway carriers block only illegal robocalls and not legitimate international calls.
- iBasis filed a <u>letter</u> on Sept. 22, 2021, regarding the draft <u>FNRPM</u> on robocalls. It proposed revisions to the FNRPM, suggesting the Commission elaborate further on the definition of gateway provider, seek further comment on the caller ID field, and not make assumptions regarding costs.
- The National Consumer Law Center, Consumer Action, Consumer Federation of America, et al. filed a <a href="letter">letter</a> on Sept. 22, 2021, regarding USTelecom's <a href="petition for reconsideration">petition for reconsideration</a> of the December 2020 <a href="fourth report and order">fourth report and order</a> on caller ID authentication. They took no position on the technical questions raised in the petition, on whether providers should be required to notify callers that their calls have been blocked, and about which blocked calls should trigger notifications. They asserted it is essential

the current aggressive blocking methodologies be permitted to continue, and encouraged to expand, as robocalls are still a major problem for American telephone subscribers.

- INCOMPAS, BT Americas, Microsoft, Google, et al. spoke with Consumer and Governmental Affairs
  Bureau staff on Sept. 16, 2021, regarding USTelecom's petition for reconsideration of the December
  2020 fourth report and order on caller ID authentication. They asserted SIP Code 603 was specifically
  not designed for network level blocking as it presumes the call reached the called party. They claimed
  what makes SIP codes 607 and 608 so valuable is the specificity of information they provide and both
  codes were designed to address gaps left by the adoption of SIP Code 603.
- Neustar spoke with Wireline Competition Bureau, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau and Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau staff on Sept. 17, 2021, regarding STIR/SHAKEN. Neustar asserted the requirement that providers blocking calls on an IP network must return SIP 607 or 608 response codes may be impacting the benefits of their STIR/SHAKEN deployments and that the requirement ultimately may deter providers from taking more decisive action to identify and block robocalls.
- TransNexus spoke with Wireline Competition Bureau staff on Sept. 16, 2021, regarding the non-IP implementation policy and extension for STIR/SHAKEN implementation adopted in the October 2020 second report and order. It asked the FCC to: modify the non-IP implementation mandate; phase out the non-IP implementation extension to account for new solutions; and, until the non-IP extension phase out process is complete, require intermediate service providers to report which NPA-NXX routes they offer provide end-to-end delivery of SHAKEN PASSporTs. TransNexus claimed these actions will enable STIR/SHAKEN call authentication to provide subscribers with the expected benefits.

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### **Other Universal Service**

- The FCC issued a <u>news release</u> on Sept. 24, 2021, announcing it committed over \$1.2 billion in support for 3,040 schools, 260 libraries, and 24 consortia from the \$7.17 billion Emergency Connectivity Fund. The funding will support 3,081,131 devices and 774,115 broadband connections and help connect over 3.6 million students who would otherwise lack devices, broadband access, or both. The FCC said interested applicants can seek program funding starting on Sept. 28, 2021.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a <u>public notice</u> on Sept. 21, 2021, directing USAC to review and process Emergency Connectivity Fund Program applications filed after the close of the initial application filing window with those filed in the second application filing window. The Bureau said applicants that certified and submitted their ECF FCC Form 471 after the close of the initial application filing window will not be required to resubmit their applications during the second application filing window, nor will they need to file a request for waiver of the filing deadline. The Bureau said it expects all applicants will have sufficient time to file their applications by the second application filing window deadline on Oct. 13, 2021, and does not expect to grant waivers of the program's second application filing deadline absent a showing of extraordinary circumstances.
- An FCC notice was published in the Federal Register on Sept. 24, 2021, seeking Paperwork Reduction Act comments on an extension of a currently approved information collection relating to the Emergency Connectivity Fund program and FCC Forms 471, 472, 474, and 500. The information collection provides the Commission and USAC with the necessary information to administer the ECF program, determine the amount of support entities seeking funding are eligible to receive, determine if entities are complying with the Commission's rules, and to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse. PRA comments are due Oct. 25, 2021.
- Consumer's Research, Cause Based Commerce, et al. filed <u>comments and objections</u> on Sept. 23, 2021, to the <u>public notice</u> announcing the proposed fourth quarter 2021 Universal Service contribution factor. They said, among other things, the Commission should reject the proposed contribution factor,

set it at 0.00%, and refuse to permit additional revenue to be collected and paid into the fund.

- The FCC issued a <u>news release</u> on Sept. 21, 2021, announcing it is partnering with NARUC and NASUCA to acknowledge Lifeline Awareness Week, Sept. 20-24, 2021. The FCC noted the new Emergency Broadband Benefit Program is also available to help families and households struggling to afford internet service and said households that qualify for Lifeline also qualify for the EBB.
- PRTC filed a <u>reply</u> on Sept. 24, 2021, to Liberty Communications' <u>opposition</u> PRTC's <u>application for review</u> of the <u>public notice</u> announcing PRTC and Liberty Cablevision as the winning applicants of the Stage 2 competitive process of the Puerto Rico Fund. PRTC asserted the Wireline Competition Bureau has not disclosed information from the applications from which the basis for the selection of Liberty as the winning applicant could be determined. PRTC asserted it is imperative the Bureau be transparent about its scoring of the applications. PRTC also said Liberty mischaracterizes its application for review as an untimely petition for reconsideration of the scoring methodology. <u>public notice</u>
- Comments are due Sept. 27, 2021, on the proposed E-Rate eligible services list for funding year 2022.
   Replies are due Oct. 12, 2021, public notice
- An FCC notice was published in the Federal Register on Sept. 27, 2021, seeking Paperwork Reduction
  Act comments on an extension of a currently approved information collection regarding E-Rate FCC
  Forms 470 and 471. Collection of the information on FCC Forms 470 and 471 is necessary so that the
  Commission and USAC have sufficient information to determine if entities are eligible for funding
  pursuant to the schools and libraries support mechanism, to determine if entities are complying with
  the Commission's rules, and to prevent waste, fraud, and abuse. PRA comments are due Oct. 27,
  2021.
- MAW Communications filed a <u>request for review</u> on Sept. 22, 2021, of a USAC decision rejecting its revised FCC Forms 499-A outside of the one-year revision window. MAW asked the FCC to reverse USAC's decision and order USAC to accept MAW's Forms 499-A filing revisions for 2018, 2019, and 2020.
- Boomerang Wireless filed an <u>amended petition</u> seeking ETC designation in 10 states on Sept. 17, 2021. Boomerang said the amended petition removes New York from the list of requested ETC designation territories, updates its ownership information, expands its proposed Lifeline offering and confirms its compliance with rules governing the Lifeline program.

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- The FCC issued the agenda on Sept. 23, 2021, for its Sept. 30, 2021 Open Meeting. The FCC will consider: an FNPRM on imposing obligations on gateway providers to help stop illegal robocalls originating abroad from reaching U.S. consumers and businesses; an FNPRM on the implementation of the Public Safety Answering Point Do-Not-Call registry in order to protect PSAPs from unwanted robocalls; an NPRM on updating Part 54 rules to amend the definition of library and to clarify tribal libraries are eligible for support through the E-Rate program; and a second report and order adopting a baseline set of national security and law enforcement questions that certain applicants with reportable foreign ownership must provide to the Executive Branch when they file their applications with the FCC. The FCC will also consider: an NPRM to examine the Wireless Network Resiliency Cooperative framework, the FCC's network outage reporting rules, and strategies to address power outages; an order on reconsideration vacating the 2020 sixth report and order on a state-by state leasing framework for the 4.9 GHz band, and adopting an eighth FNPRM proposing a nationwide framework for the band; a public notice beginning the process for authorizing Automated Frequency Coordination Systems to govern the operation of standard-power devices in the 6 GHz band; an NOI on spectrum needs to enable better connectivity relating to the Internet of Things; and an NPRM to address SIMswapping and port-out fraud.
- Sens. Joe Manchin (D-W.Va.), Brian Schatz (D-Hawaii), and 23 other Democratic senators sent a <u>letter</u> to President Biden on Sept. 22, 2021, urging Biden to appoint acting FCC Chairwoman Rosenworcel to

a full term as commissioner and to designate her as permanent chair.

- Comments were filed on Sept. 20, 2021, on the NPRM and NOI on steps the FCC could take to secure the nation's critical communications networks through its equipment authorization and competitive bidding programs. NTCA said any actions to enhance cybersecurity need to be within the Commission's authority and avoid duplicating actions already taken by other federal agencies. USTelecom encouraged the FCC to avoid unfunded mandates and take necessary precautions to ensure its actions do not have unintended negative consequences for the global market of information communications technology systems and products and broadband deployment efforts. It also encouraged the FCC to consider the scope of its legal authority and find ways to work in collaboration with other federal agencies and government partners. CTIA urged the FCC to ensure any changes to FCC rules appropriately account for implementation complexities and minimize regulatory burdens that could stifle innovation and harm consumers. CTIA said the FCC should promote a risk-based, unified governmental approach to national security and cybersecurity issues. TIA asserted the NPRM and NOI address different issues and should be treated separately, and the FCC must ensure any new role it seeks with security issues does not frustrate ongoing efforts by the industry to secure the ICT supply chain. Hytera asked the FCC to limit the effect of the proposed rules to covered equipment and issue a statement that, because of the capability qualification, only equipment capable of interconnection with the PSTN or the internet is qualified to be covered equipment. ACT-The App Association, TIA, et al. asserted the changes considered in the NOI are not the right approach and could create more problems than they would solve. They urged the FCC to be cautious as it considers how to address complex national security and cybersecurity questions, and to avoid creating uncertainty and unintended consequences. Replies are due Oct. 18, 2021. FR | FR | all comments available
- The Rural Wireless Association filed a <u>petition for reconsideration</u> on Sept. 22, 2021, of the supply chain third <u>report and order</u>. RWA seeks reconsideration of the FCC's decisions to: rescind the subprioritization scheme that fully funded ETCs; deny a general extension of the removal, replacement, and disposal term; and to prejudge reimbursement of VoLTE non-compatible handsets.
- Hytera Communications and its subsidiary, PowerTrunk, <u>spoke with</u> staff from the Office of General
  Counsel on Sept. 23, 2021, regarding the <u>supply chain covered list</u> of equipment and services. Hytera
  discussed the confusion arising in the marketplace from the conflation of the entities included on the
  covered list. It asserted the Commission can take steps to resolve the confusion and reduce the
  competitive harm by including a plain wording definition of what exactly is covered equipment.
- An FCC <u>notice</u> was published in the Federal Register on Sept. 23, 2021, seeking Paperwork Reduction
  Act comments on a revision of a currently approved information collection associated with FCC Form
  492, the rate-of-return monitoring report. PRA comments are due Oct. 25, 2021.
- In addition to comments listed in a previous edition of *REGScan*, comments were filed on Sept. 17, 2021, on the Maine PUC's <u>petition</u> asking the FCC to direct the NANPA to report on the requirements to implement individual telephone number pooling for the 207 area code on a trial basis. <u>USTelecom</u> asserted implementing ITN pooling as an alternative number conservation measure continues to be both unwarranted and premature, even on a trial basis, and would be very burdensome. <u>NCTA</u> said the FCC should not authorize ITN pooling at this time, and if the FCC believes further study of this approach should be undertaken, NANC is the appropriate entity to do so. <u>ATIS</u> said if the FCC decides any further investigation of this matter is warranted, it recommended the FCC task NANC with investigating whether the existing number conservation policies are sufficient to mitigate number exhaustion. Replies are due Oct. 4, 2021. <u>public notice</u> | <u>all comments available</u>
- The Office of the Managing Director issued a <u>public notice</u> on Sept. 24, 2021, announcing the FCC is extending the due date for fiscal year 2021 <u>regulatory fees</u> from Sept. 24, 2021, to 11:59 PM, Sept. 27, 2021.
- The <u>report and order</u> adopting a schedule of regulatory fees to assess and collect \$374 million for fiscal year 2021 was <u>published</u> in the Federal Register on Sept. 22, 2021. The order is effective Sept. 22, 2021. The FCC stated to avoid penalties and interest, regulatory fees should be paid by the due date of Sept. 24, 2021.

- The <u>NPRM</u> adopting new regulatory fee categories and a methodology for calculating regulatory fees for small satellites for future fiscal years was <u>published</u> in the Federal Register on Sept. 21, 2021. Comments are due Oct. 21, 2021; replies are due Nov. 5, 2021.
- No reply comments were filed on a section 214 application requesting the transfer of control of Chesnee Telephone from Skyline Telephone to Comporium. <u>public notice</u>
- No comments were filed on a section 214 application requesting consent to transfer control of Nebraska Central Telephone Company and Nebraska Central Telecom from Holdings to Nedelco. Replies are due Oct. 1, 2021. <u>public notice</u>

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# **Upcoming Filing Dates**

- Oct. 1 Replies due on a section 214 application requesting consent to transfer control of Nebraska Central Telephone Company and Nebraska Central Telecom from Holdings to Nedelco. Replies are due Oct. 1, 2021. <u>public notice</u>
- Oct. 4 Comments due on NECA's <u>2022 Modification of the Average Schedule Universal Service</u> <u>HCLS Formula</u>. Replies are due Oct. 19, 2021. <u>public notice</u>
- Oct. 4 Comments due on caller ID authentication exemption verification certifications. public notice
- Oct. 4 Replies due on the Maine PUC's <u>petition</u> asking the FCC to direct the NANPA to report on the requirements to implement individual telephone number pooling for the 207 area code. <u>public notice</u>
- Oct. 7 Comments due on a section 253 petition for declaratory ruling by <u>Mediacom</u>. Replies are due Oct. 27, 2021. <u>public notice</u>, <u>order</u>
- Oct. 12 Replies due on a section 253 petition for declaratory ruling by <u>Bluebird Network</u>, <u>public notice</u>
- Oct. 12 Replies due on the proposed E-Rate eligible services list for funding year 2022. <u>public notice</u>
- Oct. 14 Comments due on the <u>FNPRM</u> on updating the FCC's rules on direct access to numbers by interconnected VoIP providers. Replies are due Nov. 15, 2021. Comments on the proposed information collection requirements are due Nov. 15, 2021. <u>FR</u>
- Oct. 18 Replies due on the supply chain NOI and NPRM. FR, FR
- Oct. 18 PRA comments due on a proposed supply chain information collection. FR
- Oct. 19 Replies due on NECA's <u>2022 Modification of the Average Schedule Universal Service HCLS</u> <u>Formula. public notice</u>
- Oct. 20 Comments due on updating the record on issues raised in the July 2019 NPRM on improving competitive broadband access to multiple tenant environments. Reply comments are due Nov. 4, 2021. FR public notice
- Oct. 21 Comments due on the <u>NPRM</u> proposing new regulatory fee categories and a methodology for calculating regulatory fees for small satellites for future fiscal years. Reply comments are due Nov. 5, 2021. <u>FR</u>
- Oct. 22 Petitions to deny 20 additional Rural Tribal Priority Window applications are due. Oppositions
  to a petition to deny are due Nov. 1, 2021; and replies are due Nov. 8, 2021. public notice

- Oct. 25 PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection on the intermediate provider registry. <u>FR</u>
- Oct. 25 PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection relating to the Emergency Connectivity Fund program and FCC Forms 471, 472, 474, and 500. FR
- Oct. 25 PRA comments due on a revision of a currently approved information collection associated with FCC Form 492, the rate-of-return monitoring report. FR
- Oct. 25 PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection associated with section 214 applications. FR
- Oct. 25 PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection on the ARMIS operating data report. FR
- Oct. 27 Replies due on a section 253 petition for declaratory ruling by <u>Mediacom</u>. <u>public notice</u>, <u>order</u>
- Oct. 27 PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection on network change disclosure rules. FR
- Oct. 27 PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection on E-Rate FCC Forms 470 and 471. FR
- Nov. 1 Oppositions due to petitions to deny 20 additional Rural Tribal Priority Window applications.
   Replies are due Nov. 8, 2021. <u>public notice</u>
- Nov. 4 Replies due on updating the record on issues raised in the July 2019 NPRM on improving competitive broadband access to multiple tenant environments. FR public notice
- Nov. 5 Replies due on the <u>NPRM</u> proposing new regulatory fee categories and a methodology for calculating regulatory fees for small satellites for future fiscal years. <u>FR</u>
- Nov. 8 Replies to oppositions to petitions to deny 20 additional Rural Tribal Priority Window applications are due. public notice
- Nov. 8 Nominations due for a USAC board member position to represent CMRS providers. <u>public notice</u>
- Nov. 9 Comments due on the USDA's final rule to help expand access to capital to deploy broadband infrastructure in rural areas. FR
- Nov. 15 Replies due on the <u>FNPRM</u> to update the FCC's rules on direct access to numbers by interconnected VoIP providers. <u>FR</u>
- Nov. 15 PRA comments due on the proposed information collection requirements in the <u>FNPRM</u> on updating the FCC's rules on direct access to numbers by interconnected VoIP providers. <u>FR</u>

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