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## VIDEO RELAY SERVICE IMPROVEMENTS ORDER—EFFECTIVE DATE FOR RULES SUBJECT TO THE PAPERWORK REDUCTION ACT

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On March 23, 2017, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) released a Report and Order, Notice of Inquiry, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and Order, which, among other things, amends the Commission's rules to implement an at-home call handling pilot program and to permit VRS providers to assign telephone numbers to hearing individuals for point-to-point video communications.<sup>1</sup> These rules resulted in modified information collection requirements under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.<sup>2</sup> The effective date for these rules is based on publication in the *Federal Register* of a notice announcing approval by the Office of Management and Budget of the modified information collection requirements. Such notice was published in the *Federal Register* on October 17, 2017, specifying that the rules were effective immediately.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Service Program; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities*, Report and Order, Notice of Inquiry, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, and Order, 32 FCC Rcd 2436 (2017).

<sup>2</sup> Pub. L. No. 104-13, 109 Stat. 163 (1995) (codified at 44 U.S.C. §§ 3501-3520). The new rules are contained at: 47 CFR §§ 64.604(b)(4)(iii) and (b)(8); 64.611(a)(5), (c)(2)(i), and (g)(1)(vii); 64.615(a)(3)(i) introductory text and (a)(3)(i)(A); 64.630; 64.5101(b); and 64.5103(m).

<sup>3</sup> Federal Communications Commission, *Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Services Program*, 82 Fed. Reg. 48203 (Oct. 17, 2017).