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TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICES RULES UPDATE – EFFECTIVE DATE OF FINAL RULES AND COMMENT DATES FOR PROPOSED RULES

CG Docket No. 03-123

Comment Date: January 30, 2020

Reply Comment Date: February 13, 2020

On September 20, 2019, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) released a Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking to update the Commission's definition of telecommunications relay service (TRS) and to seek comment on eliminating certain obsolete TRS requirements.¹ The Report and Order and adopted rules become effective 30 days after publication in the Federal Register.² Comments on the Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FNPRM) are due 21 days after publication in the Federal Register, and reply comments are due 35 days after such publication.³

On January 9, 2020, summaries of the Report and Order and the FNPRM were published in the Federal Register.⁴ Accordingly, the Report and Order and adopted rules will be effective February 10, 2020. Comments on the FNPRM must be filed by January 30, 2020, and reply comments must be filed by February 13, 2020.

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¹ Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, CG Docket No. 03-123, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 34 FCC Rcd 8483 (2019).

² *Id.* at 8492, para. 27.

³ *Id.* at 8491, para. 23.

⁴ FCC, TRS Modernization, 85 Fed. Reg. 1125 (Jan. 9, 2020); FCC, TRS Modernization, 85 Fed. Reg 1134 (Jan. 9, 2020).