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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES EFFECTIVE DATE FOR INTERNET-BASED TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE NUMBERING RULES AND BEGINNING OF TRANSITION PERIOD

WC Docket No. 10-191 CG Docket No. 03-123 WC Docket No. 05-196

On November 22, 2011, the Federal Register published a notice stating that that the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) has approved, for a period of three years, the information collection associated with the Commission's Internet-Based Telecommunications Relay Service (iTRS) Numbering Report and Order (Order). OMB approved the information collection requirements on September 27, 2011.

Pursuant to the Order, the Commission established a "one-year transition period to allow a reasonable period for consumer outreach and education to transition consumers from toll free numbers to local numbers." That transition period "will expire one year after the effective date of [these] rules." The transition period therefore begins today and will expire on November 21, 2012.

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¹ See 76 FR 72124 (Nov. 22, 2011); see also Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; E911 Requirements for IP-Enabled Service Providers; Internet-Based Telecommunications Relay Service Numbering, CG Docket No. 03-123, WC Docket No. 05-196, WC Docket No. 10-191, Report and Order, 26 FCC Rcd 11779 (2011) (iTRS Numbering Order).

² The rules that contain information collections approved by OMB are 47 CFR §§ 64.611(e)(2), 64.611(e)(3), 64.611(g)(1)(v), 64.611 (g)(1)(vi), and 64.613(a)(3).

³ iTRS Numbering Order, 26 FCC Rcd at 11790, para. 28.

⁴ *Id.* at 11790, para. 29.