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CONSUMER AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT DATES FOR SORENSON'S PETITION FOR PARTIAL RECONSIDERATION OF THE 2017 VRS INTEROPERABILITY ORDER

CG Dockets No. 10-51 & 03-123

Comment Date: August 7, 2017

Reply Comment Date: August 17, 2017

On July 7, 2017, the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau (CGB) of the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released a Public Notice¹ seeking comment on a petition filed by Sorenson Communications, LLC (Sorenson) for partial reconsideration of the *2017 VRS Interoperability Order*², or in the alternative, suspension of the deadline for compliance with the Relay User Equipment (RUE) Profile technical standard.³

On July 21, 2017, the Federal Register published the deadlines for filing comments on the Sorenson Petition, which contained erroneous information regarding the reply comment date.⁴ This error was corrected in a subsequent Federal Register publication on July 25, 2017.⁵ Specifically, comments are due on or before August 7, 2017, and reply comments are due on or before August 17, 2017. Commenters must follow the filing instructions provided in the July 7, 2017 Public Notice.⁶

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¹ Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Seeks Comment on Sorenson Communications, LLC Petition for Partial Reconsideration of Video Relay Service Interoperability Order, Public Notice, DA 17-656 (CGB July 7, 2017) (July 7, 2017 Public Notice).

² Structure and Practices of the Video Relay Services Program; Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 32 FCC Rcd 687 (CGB 2017) (2017 VRS Interoperability Order).

³ Sorenson Communications, LLC, Petition for Partial Reconsideration, or in the Alternative, Suspension of the RUE Implementation Deadline, CG Docket Nos. 10-51 and 03-123, May 30, 2017 (Sorenson Petition), https://ecfsapi.fcc.gov/file/10530218217172/2017-05-30%20Sorenson%20Petition%20for%20Reconsideration%20re%20RUE%20Profile.pdf.

⁴ FCC, Petition for Partial Reconsideration, or in the Alternative, Suspension of Action in Rulemaking Proceeding, 82 Fed. Reg. 33856 (July 21, 2017), Correction, 82 Fed. Reg. 34471 (July 25, 2017).

⁵ FCC, Petition for Partial Reconsideration, or in the Alternative, Suspension of Action in Rulemaking Proceeding, Correction, 82 Fed. Reg. 34471 (July 25, 2017).

⁶ See July 7, 2017 Public Notice at 2-3.

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