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Weekly federal regulatory summary | Nov. 20, 2023 highlights

- The FCC adopted seven items at the Nov. 15, 2023 [open meeting](#), including a [report and order and FNPRM](#) on preventing and eliminating digital discrimination, and an [NOI](#) on the implications of artificial intelligence for robocalls and robotexts.
- Sens. Mullins (R-Okla.), Kelly (D-Ariz.) and Crapo (R-Idaho) [introduced](#) a bill to direct the FCC to require contributions to the Universal Service Fund from edge and broadband providers.
- Chairwoman Rosenworcel [announced](#) the availability of the third iteration of the [National Broadband Map](#).
- NTCA filed a [petition for waiver](#) on the timing of filing the enhanced A-CAM cybersecurity and supply chain risk management plans.
- Comments on the [NPRM](#) on the next phase of high-cost fixed and mobile support in Alaska [are due](#) Jan. 16, 2024. Replies are due Feb. 15, 2024.
- NTTA, et al. [discussed](#) tribal broadband sustainability funding, the Alaska Connect Fund NPRM, Broadband Data Collection, and implications of Title II regulation of broadband in tribal areas.
- Governors from 25 states and Puerto Rico [urged](#) congressional leaders to work with the Biden Administration to ensure the Affordable Connectivity Program receives additional funding.
- Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas) and 27 other senators sent a [letter](#) to Chairwoman Rosenworcel, urging her to reconsider the [draft order](#) on preventing digital discrimination.
- The Industry Traceback Group [submitted](#) information for the FCC's annual report to Congress on the state of private-led efforts to trace back the origin of suspected unlawful robocalls.
- NTCA filed a [letter](#) in support of concerns raised by [CCA](#) and [RWA](#) on administration of the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement Program.

Other key upcoming dates

Nov. 21 – Reply comments [are due](#) on the Enhanced A-CAM [NOI](#).

Dec. 14 – Comments are due on the [NPRM](#) to reclassify broadband under Title II. Replies are due Jan. 17, 2024.

High Cost USF reform

- NTCA filed a [petition for waiver](#) on Nov. 17, 2023, regarding the timing of filing the enhanced A-CAM cybersecurity and supply chain risk management plans. NTCA said allowing E-ACAM providers to file their initial C-SCRM plans upon the later of the deadline for 2024 FCC Form 481 submissions or within 30 days of approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of such a data collection – instead of the later of Jan. 2, 2024, or 30 days following PRA approval as the recently adopted rules require – will reduce reporting burdens without undermining the security of these providers’ networks or hindering the FCC’s ability to review information on a timely basis.
- Hopi Telecommunications, Inc. filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 16, 2023, on its compliance with the Dec. 31, 2022 A-CAM interim buildout obligation. HTI said although it missed the milestone, it increased its middle-mile facilities from a 2-gig pipe to a total of 20 gigs, and engaged in rehabbing its cable network, among other things.
- The [NPRM](#) on the next phase of high-cost fixed and mobile support in Alaska was published in the [Federal Register](#) on Nov. 17, 2023. The FCC seeks comment on how it can best support the rural and remote areas of Alaska once the support terms for the current incumbent ILECs and competitive ETCs have ended. Comments are due on Jan. 16, 2024; reply comments are due on Feb. 15, 2024.
- NTTA, et al. [spoke with](#) Commissioner Gomez and her staff on Nov. 7, 2023, regarding tribal broadband issues. They discussed: tribal broadband sustainability funding; tribal sovereignty and consent regarding broadband deployment; ETC rules for new tribal providers; tribal libraries’ E-rate issues; the Alaska Connect Fund NPRM; Broadband Data Collection; the National Broadband Map; and the implications of Title II regulation of broadband internet access service in tribal areas. They also spoke with Commissioners [Carr](#), [Simington](#) and their staff on Nov. 7 and 8, 2023, regarding similar issues.
- The Coalition of RDOF Winners and Aristotle Unified Communications [spoke with](#) Commissioner Carr’s legal advisor on Nov. 9, 2023, on the coalition’s emergency [petition](#) for relief regarding RDOF support to address the circumstances impacting them in the wake of the pandemic. They discussed NTIA’s notice of programmatic waiver that adopted alternatives to the letter of credit requirements in the BEAD Program, and suggested the FCC adopt certain alternatives as well. They also said the FCC should grant RDOF winners’ request for a short and expedited amnesty period to allow them to relinquish all or part of their RDOF winning areas without facing huge penalties. Additionally, they said RDOF winners are rapidly deploying their broadband networks and need the requested supplementary funding now.
- The Coalition of RDOF Winners and Aristotle Unified Communications [spoke with](#) Commissioner Gomez’s advisors on Nov. 14, 2023, regarding the coalition’s emergency [petition](#) for relief regarding RDOF support to address the circumstances impacting them in the wake of the pandemic. They discussed their previous ex parte letters and urged the FCC to grant the RDOF winners’ requested relief.
- TWN Communications filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 13, 2023, to supplement its June 1, 2023 [letter](#) on the application of Wavelength for RDOF support. TWN said the FCC should deny the remaining portion of Wavelength’s RDOF application and open those areas to eligibility for future funding programs to the extent they remain unserved. TWN asserted absent the

technical capability to serve customers in the areas where Wavelength won RDOF support and the financial ability to construct those facilities, there is no basis for further FCC consideration of the remaining portion of Wavelength's application, and it should be denied.

- TurboNet Technologies filed a [petition](#) on Nov. 16, 2023, requesting a temporary waiver of section 54.804(c) to allow it to temporarily continue to rely on the letter of credit it currently has in place with Live Oak Bank for RDOF support purposes. TurboNet said Live Oak issued the LOC upon which TurboNet relies no longer has a Weiss bank safety rating that meets the FCC's requirements, and seeks additional time to obtain a new LOC from a qualifying bank.
- T-Mobile [spoke with](#) Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Office of Economics and Analytics, and Office of Engineering & Technology staff on Nov. 14, 2023, regarding the [FNPRM](#) on the implementation of the 5G Fund for Rural America in light of new and precise mobile coverage data gathered through the Broadband Data Collection. T-Mobile discussed the eligible areas for the 5G Fund auction and how to reach areas that lack 100% coverage and contain roads and/or broadband serviceable locations.

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Broadband

- Chairwoman Rosenworcel [announced](#) on Nov. 17, 2023, the third iteration of the [National Broadband Map](#) is now publicly available. She said the new map shows the number of unserved homes and businesses is going down and over 7.2 million locations lack access to high-speed internet service - down from 8.3 million when the second map was released in May 2023. Rosenworcel also said robust participation in the challenge processes continues to play a valuable role in correcting data shown on the map, and the number of broadband serviceable locations on the current map is up to 115 million, an increase of 800,000 since May 2023.
- Governors from 25 states and Puerto Rico sent a [letter](#) to congressional leaders on Nov. 13, 2023, urging them to work with the Biden Administration to ensure the Affordable Connectivity Program receives additional funding. They said the ACP could run out of funding as early as April 2024, and nearly 20 million households enrolled nationally could lose connectivity as well as all the essential services that come with it.
- The FCC issued a [fact sheet](#) on Nov. 14, 2023, on digital discrimination. The FCC will vote on a report and order and FNPRM on preventing digital discrimination at the Nov. 15, 2023 open meeting.
- Sen. Ted Cruz (R-Texas) and 27 other senators sent a [letter](#) to Chairwoman Rosenworcel on Nov. 10, 2023, urging her to reconsider the [draft order](#) on preventing digital discrimination. They asserted the draft order would turn Section 60506 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act into a sweeping mandate for heavy-handed internet. They also said the draft order will create uncertainty for the U.S. broadband industry, chill broadband investment and undermine Congress's objective of promoting broadband access for all Americans.
- Public Knowledge [spoke with](#) Commissioner Starks' advisors on Nov. 6, 2023, regarding the [draft order](#) on preventing digital discrimination. PK asserted certain language in the

order is not entirely clear and potentially gives rise to unintended loopholes and offered suggested changes. PK also offered suggestions on informal and formal complaint processes, and urged the FCC to adopt a severability clause that even if a court were to find the use of disparate impact based on race a violation of the Constitution, the FCC would continue to use a disparate impact approach for discrimination based on low income

- The National Digital Inclusion Alliance [spoke with](#) Wireline Competition Bureau staff on Nov. 7, 2023, regarding the [draft report and order](#) on preventing digital discrimination. NDIA asked for clarification and guidance on how the FCC will address present conditions, given the draft order declined to impose retroactive liability. NDIA also recommended the FCC establish a process for synthesizing data between complaint pathways. Additionally, NDIA expressed concern about unethical business practices by mobile resellers that may be in violation of Affordable Connectivity Program rules.
- The National Multifamily Housing Council and the National Apartment Association [spoke with](#) legal advisors to Chairwoman Rosenworcel and Commissioners Carr and Simington, and Wireline Competition Bureau staff on Nov. 7 and 8, 2023, regarding the [draft report and order](#) on preventing digital discrimination. NMHC and NAA asserted the draft order errs by including property owners as covered entities and seeks to hold them liable for broadband providers' alleged discriminatory deployment choices. They offered suggested language to Paragraph 87 of the draft order.
- Google Fiber met with advisors to [Commissioners Carr](#) and [Simington](#) on Nov. 13 and 16, 2023, regarding Google Fiber's launch of its broadband consumer label. Google Fiber discussed its experience gathering the necessary information for its label, including where it encountered challenges and how it addressed those issues. Google Fiber also shared its customer support webpages addressing its broadband nutrition label and a recent blog post announcing the early launch of its nutrition label.
- AT&T filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 16, 2023, on pole replacements. AT&T supports rules that allocate pole replacement costs based on the cost causer principle, saying it promotes broadband deployment and competition. AT&T asserted there remains scant evidence supporting wholesale changes to these cost allocation rules and proponents of rule change continue to avoid the FCC's formal complaint process. AT&T also supported the potential clarifications proposed in USTelecom's recent ex parte [letter](#).
- The FCC issued a [news release](#) on Nov. 13, 2023, announcing it will hold a joint roundtable with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on Nov. 17, 2023, on maternal health and broadband data. The event will be [streamed online](#) and explore the intersection of broadband connectivity and maternal health. Participants will also explore the role of broadband as a social determinant of health and the implications of this framework to improve maternal health outcomes and inform broadband and health policies.
- The FCC issued a [public notice](#) on Nov. 15, 2023, announcing the agenda for the Nov. 17, 2023 roundtable with the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services on maternal health and broadband data. The event will be [streamed online](#) and will explore the intersection of broadband connectivity and maternal health.

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Robocalls

- The [report and order](#) on rules regarding direct access to numbers by providers of interconnected VoIP services was published in the [Federal Register](#) on Nov. 20, 2023. The order is effective Dec. 20, 2023, except for the amendments to Sections 52.15(g)(3)(ii)(B) through (F), (I), (K), (L), and (N) and (g)(3)(x)(A) (amendatory instruction 3), which are delayed indefinitely.
- Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto (D-Nev.), et al. [reintroduced](#) the Deter Obnoxious, Nefarious, and Outrageous Telephone (DO NOT) Call Act on Nov. 17, 2023, to improve enforcement and enhance penalties for robocallers who violate the Telephone Consumer Protection Act. Under the bill, willful and knowing violation of the TCPA could result in a prison sentence of up to one year and increases the maximum penalty for falsifying Caller ID and creates longer prison sentences for scammers involved in repeat offenses. Text of the bill is not yet available.
- The Industry Traceback Group filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 13, 2023, submitting information for the FCC's annual report to Congress on the state of private-led efforts to trace back the origin of suspected unlawful robocalls. The ITG said from Nov. 1, 2022, to date, it completed over 3,500 tracebacks at an average of just over 300 per month. The ITG also said the majority of ITG tracebacks this year identified the originating voice service provider and yielded information about the calling party, and nearly 85% of such tracebacks resulted in the originating provider warning or terminating their customer, up almost 20% from 2022.
- The American Bankers Association, et al. [spoke with](#) Chairwoman Rosenworcel's advisor on Nov. 13, 2023, regarding the revocation of consent under the Telephone Consumer Protection Act and certain FCC proposals regarding call blocking, labeling and notification of blocking. They asserted banks and other financial services providers make informational calls to their customers, often providing critical information and these calls are often erroneously blocked or mislabeled by terminating carriers and their analytic engine partners. They also said to avoid consumer harm, it is critical businesses are not compelled to apply a customer's revocation request to a broader category of messages than the customer intends. Additionally, they urged the FCC to require entities blocking calls based on analytics to use SIP Code 608 and/or SIP Code 603+ once tested, and no other codes, and to require prompt implementation.
- The Credit Union National Association, et al. [met separately with](#) advisors to Commissioners Starks and Simington on Nov. 7, 2023, regarding certain FCC proposals on call blocking, labeling and notification of blocking. They asserted banks, credit unions and other financial services providers make informational calls to their customers, often providing critical information such as fraud alerts, overdraft notices and payment reminders, and these calls are often erroneously mislabeled or blocked. They also urged the FCC to require entities blocking calls based on analytics to use SIP Code 608 and/or SIP Code 603+ once tested, and no other codes, and to require prompt implementation.
- ZipDX filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 13, 2023, responding to the VON Coalition's [recent ex partes](#) on robocalls. ZipDX asserted the FCC needs to maintain a clear mandate that calls destined for USA called numbers must be signed with the token of the originating provider. ZipDX also said the FCC should make clear that to the extent a given provider elects to accept and sign a call from some upstream source, that signer will be deemed to be the

originating provider and assume the obligations and consequences associated with using its network to originate illegal calls.

- TransUnion [spoke with](#) Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau staff on Nov. 7, 2023, regarding robocalls. TransUnion said, consistent with its [comments](#), its mission of enabling trust between consumers and businesses and how that mission is realized through its suite of TruContact solutions for carriers and enterprises with an emphasis on protecting and enhancing consumer experiences.

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Other universal services

- Sens. Markwayne Mullins (R-Okla.), Mark Kelly (D-Ariz.) and Mike Crapo (R-Idaho) [introduced](#) a bill on Nov. 16, 2023, to direct the FCC to require contributions to the Universal Service Fund from edge and broadband providers. The Lowering Broadband Costs for Consumers Act of 2023 would: direct the FCC to reform the USF by expanding the base so edge and broadband providers contribute on an equitable and nondiscriminatory basis; limit assessments of edge providers to only those with more than 3% of the estimated quantity of broadband data transmitted in the United States and more than \$5 billion in annual revenue; direct the FCC to adopt a new mechanism under the current USF high-cost program to provide specific, predictable, and sufficient support for expenses incurred by broadband providers that are not otherwise recovered; and limit the FCC's authority over edge providers and broadband providers only to requiring contributions to the USF. The text of the bill is not yet available.
- The FCC released an [NPRM](#) on Nov. 13, 2023, on the creation of a Schools and Libraries Cybersecurity Pilot Program to allow the FCC to obtain data concerning the cybersecurity and advanced firewall services that would best help K-12 schools and libraries address the growing cyber threats and attacks against their broadband networks. The proposed pilot program calls for an investment of up to \$200 million over three years and would be established within the Universal Service Fund but separate from the E-rate Program. The effort is part of Chairwoman [Rosenworcel's Learn Without Limits](#) initiative to ensure connectivity in schools and libraries so everyone, everywhere has access to high-speed internet services. Comments are due 30 days after publication in the Federal Register; replies are due 60 days after publication. [news release](#)
- The American Library Association [met with](#) Commissioner Gomez and her advisors on Nov. 7, 2023, regarding its its past work with the FCC on E-rate and on digital equity and inclusion. ALA expressed support for the [Learn Without Limits](#) initiative. ALA also said allowing hot spot lending within the E-rate Program fills a need for flexible access to broadband at home for many households who lack this critical connectivity and encouraged the FCC to consider technology-neutral, functionally equivalent solutions.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued an [erratum](#) on Nov. 15, 2023, to the Nov. 8, 2023 [NPRM](#) on rules to allow schools and libraries to apply for funding from the E-Rate Program for Wi-Fi hotspots and wireless internet access services that can be used off-premises. The erratum made corrections to Section 54.504 (requests for service) in appendix A.

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Miscellaneous

- The FCC adopted the following items at the Nov. 15, 2023 [open meeting](#): a [report and order](#) on preventing and eliminating digital discrimination, and an FNPRM on the FCC's administration of Section 60506 of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and efforts to facilitate equal access; a [notice of inquiry](#) seeking to better understand the implications of artificial intelligence for robocalls and robotexts; a [report and order](#) adopting rules to implement the Safe Connections Act of 2022 to help domestic violence survivors access safe and affordable connectivity; a [report and order](#) adopting rules to protect cell phone consumers from SIM swap and port-out fraud and an FNPRM on whether to harmonize the FCC's existing requirements governing customer access to CPNI with the new SIM change authentication measures in the report and order; and three [notices of apparent liability for forfeiture](#) proposing fines against pirate radio stations in the [Bronx](#), [Mount Vernon](#), and [Brooklyn](#), New York, which may face fines totaling over \$6 million.
- The FCC [deleted](#) the following items from its Nov. 15, 2023 open meeting: a [declaratory ruling and memorandum opinion and order](#) to grant the Minnesota Independent Equal Access Corporation relief from dominant carrier regulation with respect to its provision of centralized equal access service, and regulating MIEAC as a nondominant CLEC going forward; and a [report and order and FNPRM](#) to amend Part 97 of FCC rules regarding technical standards applicable to data communications that may be transmitted in the amateur radio service, and proposes removal of the baud rate limitation in certain bands. The items were adopted and released by the FCC.
- The Rural Wireless Association filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 10, 2023, responding to CCA's [ex parte](#) on administration of the Secure and Trusted Networks Reimbursement Program. RWA agreed with CCA's concerns and urged the FCC to find ways to expedite the reimbursement process. RWA asserted shifting the burden of the costs associated with both the time and expense of the program onto small rural carriers is not in the public interest and risks harming consumers who may find themselves without network coverage.
- NTCA filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 15, 2023, in support of concerns raised by the [Competitive Carriers Association](#) and [Rural Wireless Association](#) on administration of the Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement Program. NTCA urged the FCC to address: excessive delays for invoice approval and reimbursement for completed work; the modification process; and minor discrepancies that trigger further investigation. NTCA urged the FCC to engage in more active management of the fund administrator and develop mitigation strategies to address the challenges in program administration.
- Triangle Telephone Cooperative filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 10, 2023, providing additional information to the FCC on how Triangle was affected by supply chain equipment availability. It asked the FCC to grant its Secure and Trusted Networks Reimbursement Program term extension [request](#).
- Triangle Communications Systems filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 16, 2023, providing additional information to the FCC on how Triangle was affected by supply chain equipment availability. It asked the FCC to grant its Secure and Trusted Communications Networks Reimbursement Program term extension [request](#).
- Midcontinent Communications [spoke with](#) Chairwoman Rosenworcel's chief of staff on Nov. 14, 2023, regarding its [petition for declaratory ruling](#) on interconnection, [reply comments](#),

and ex partes. Midco asserted the petition seeks a ruling consistent with the FCC's earlier decisions in [Time Warner](#) and [CRC Communications](#) that all telecommunications carriers have a federal right to interconnection under Section 251(a) for the purpose of providing wholesale interconnection services, that, as a matter of law, states cannot require certification for local exchange services as a prerequisite for interconnection.

- Midcontinent Communications filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 13, 2023, responding to [the South Dakota PUC](#), [SDTA](#) and [NARUC](#), regarding its [petition for declaratory ruling](#) on interconnection. Midco said claims made in the filings are incorrect and the FCC should promptly grant its petition. Midco asserted the South Dakota PUC order bars Midco from exercising its interconnection rights, and asserted the [Time Warner](#) and [CRC Communications](#) decisions repeatedly affirm all telecommunications carriers are entitled to interconnection to provide wholesale interconnection services.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a [public notice](#) on Nov. 17, 2023, seeking comment on a Section 214 application filed by Royal Telephone Company and Mutual Telephone Company of Sioux Center, Iowa d/b/a Premier Communications, requesting approval for the transfer of control of Royal to Mutual through a merger transaction by which Noble Acquisition, will be merged with and into Royal, with Royal surviving that merger. The bureau said Royal and Mutual hold blanket domestic 214 authorizations. Comments are due Dec. 1, 2023; reply comments are due Dec. 8, 2023.
- Mashell, Inc. and Alphaboost Purchaser filed a [letter](#) on Nov. 10, 2023, announcing the transfer of control of Mashell Telecom to Alphaboost was completed on Oct. 20, 2023. As a result, Mashell, Inc. and its subsidiaries including Mashell Telecom d/b/a Rainier Connect and Rainier Connect North, are wholly owned indirect subsidiaries of Alphaboost.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a [public notice](#) on Nov. 14, 2023, seeking comment on a Section 214 application filed by Great Lakes Communication Corp. d/b/a IGL Teleconnect and Mutual Telephone Company of Sioux Center, Iowa, d/b/a Premier Communications, requesting consent for the acquisition of certain assets of GLCC by Mutual. Comments are due Nov. 28, 2023; replies are due Dec. 5, 2023.
- The Competitive Carriers Association [met with](#) advisors to Chairwoman Rosenworcel and Commissioner Carr on Nov. 7, 2023, regarding the [draft report and order](#) on rules to protect cell phone consumers from SIM swap and port-out fraud. CCA discussed several areas of concern with the order, including the implementation time frame, employee restrictions to customer CPNI, notification for a single failed authentication attempt and recordkeeping of a SIM change request information.
- The Wireline Competition Bureau issued a [public notice](#) on Nov. 17, 2023, granting applications by Charter IP Enabled Services and TWC IP Enabled Services for authorization to obtain North American Numbering Plan telephone numbers directly from the numbering administrator for their VoIP service.
- No comments were filed on applications by [Charter IP Enabled Services](#) and [TWC IP Enabled Services](#) for authorization to obtain North American Numbering Plan telephone numbers directly from the numbering administrator for its VoIP service.
- Reply comments were filed on Nov. 14, 2023, on the proposed selection process and a potential extension of the contract under which iconectiv would remain the LNPA during the selection process. The [North American Portability Management](#) urged the FCC to approve the proposed contract extension to secure the benefits the NAPM has negotiated on behalf

of all stakeholders, and adopt the proposed LNPA selection process. [iconectiv](#) supported a transparent and robust selection process and review of the Number Portability Administration Center specifications to see whether they should be updated to include requirements for new uses of the NPAC and NPAC data. [Telnyx](#) expressed concerns with the proposed extension of the LNPA contract through 2031. Also, it supported the adoption of open-source software for the NPAC, aligning with the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency security standards, and said the NAPM must operate independently on behalf of all service providers contributing data to the NPAC. [public notice](#)

- The FCC's Office of International Affairs [announced](#) its leadership team on Nov. 15, 2023. The office leads and coordinates the FCC's international efforts and is responsible for the FCC's engagement of foreign and international regulatory authorities, including multilateral and regional organizations.
- The Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau issued two orders on Nov. 13, 2023, addressing complaints alleging [RingPlanet](#) and [Lingo Telecom](#) changed complainants' telecommunications service providers without obtaining authorization and verification from the complainants as required by FCC rules. The bureau found RingPlanet's actions did not result in unauthorized changes in complainant's telecommunications service provider and denied the complaint. The bureau found Lingo's actions did result in unauthorized changes in complainant's telecommunications service provider and granted the complaint.

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Upcoming filing dates

- Nov. 21 – Replies due on the [FNPRM](#) on the implementation of the 5G Fund for Rural America in light of new and precise mobile coverage data gathered through the Broadband Data Collection. [notice](#)
- Nov. 21 – Replies due on the Enhanced A-CAM [notice of inquiry](#). [notice](#)
- Nov. 22 – Comments due on a Section 214 application filed by Epic Touch and H.N.G. Holdings, requesting consent to transfer control of CP-TEL Holdings and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Campti-Pleasant Hill Telephone and CP-TEL Network Services from Epic Touch to H.N.G. Replies are due Nov. 29, 2023. [public notice](#)
- Nov. 24 - Comments due on the proposed eligible services list for the E-Rate Program for funding year 2024. [public notice](#)
- Nov. 24 – PRA comments due on a revision of a currently approved information collection on rural health care forms. [notice](#)
- Nov. 27 – Replies due on the New Hampshire Electric Cooperative's [petition](#) seeking designation as a Lifeline-only eligible telecommunications carrier. [public notice](#)
- Nov. 27 – Comments due on the possible revision or elimination of rules. Certain rules in Parts 36, 51, 52, 54, 61, 64 and 69 are included in this review. [notice](#)
- Nov. 28 – Comments due on a Section 214 application requesting consent for the acquisition of certain assets of GLCC by Mutual. Replies are due Dec. 5, 2023. [public notice](#)

- Nov. 29 – Comments due on the [second FNPRM](#) on proposed rules regarding direct access to numbers by providers of interconnected VoIP services. Replies are due Dec. 29, 2023. [notice](#)
- Nov. 29 – Replies due on a Section 214 application filed by Epic Touch and H.N.G. Holdings, requesting consent to transfer control of CP-TEL Holdings and its wholly-owned subsidiaries Campti-Pleasant Hill Telephone and CP-TEL Network Services from Epic Touch to H.N.G. [public notice](#)
- Dec. 1 - Comments due on the [notice of inquiry](#) initiating the next annual assessment concerning the availability of advanced telecommunications capability to all Americans . Replies are due Dec. 18, 2023.
- Dec. 1 – Comments due on a Section 214 application filed by Royal Telephone Company and Mutual Telephone Company of Sioux Center, Iowa d/b/a Premier Communications, requesting approval for the transfer of control of Royal to Mutual. Replies are due Dec. 8, 2023. [public notice](#)
- Dec. 5 – Replies due on a Section 214 application requesting consent for the acquisition of certain assets of GLCC by Mutual. [public notice](#)
- Dec. 8 – Replies due on a Section 214 application filed by Royal Telephone Company and Mutual Telephone Company of Sioux Center, Iowa d/b/a Premier Communications, requesting approval for the transfer of control of Royal to Mutual. [public notice](#)
- Dec. 11 - PRA comments due on an extension of currently approved collection on the application for Mobility Fund Phase I support (FCC Form 680). [notice](#)
- Dec. 11 - PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection on consumer broadband services testing and measurement. [notice](#)
- Dec. 11 - PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection regarding customer proprietary network information. [notice](#)
- Dec. 14 – Comments due on [petitions for reconsideration](#) of the 2020 [RIF remand order](#). Replies are due Jan. 17, 2024. [public notice](#)
- Dec. 14 – Comments due on the [NPRM](#) to reclassify broadband under Title II. Replies are due Jan. 17, 2024.
- Dec. 18 – Replies due on the [notice of inquiry](#) initiating the next annual assessment concerning the availability of advanced telecommunications capability to all Americans.
- Dec. 18 – Comments due on the [NOI](#) on the implications of artificial intelligence for robocalls and robotexts. Replies are due Jan. 16, 2024.
- Dec. 19 – PRA comments due on a new information collection on robotexts. [notice](#)
- Dec. 26 – PRA comments are due on an extension of a currently approved collection on streamlined tariff filing requirements for local exchange carriers. [notice](#)
- Dec. 29 – Replies due on the [second FNPRM](#) on proposed rules regarding direct access to numbers by providers of interconnected VoIP services. [notice](#)

- Dec. 29 – PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved collection on collocation. [notice](#)
- Jan. 8 – PRA comments due on an extension of a currently approved information collection relating to prohibited communications during the competitive bidding process. [notice](#)
- Jan. 16 – Comments due on the [NPRM](#) on the next phase of high-cost fixed and mobile support in Alaska. Replies are due Feb. 15, 2023. [notice](#)
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