

forward-looking economic cost mechanism by December 31, 1997, and select a complete mechanism, including input values, by August 1998.⁴ In a *Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (FNPRM)* in this proceeding, the Commission stated that it would consider a hybrid mechanism, combining the best features of both models, and might also "study alternative algorithms and approaches that could be submitted by parties other than model sponsors or that could be generated internally by Commission staff."⁵

As part of the process of considering mechanisms for computing the forward-looking economic cost of providing the supported services, the Common Carrier Bureau will hold two public workshops to present platform components that are being developed by Commission staff. The Bureau is considering whether these platform components should be incorporated into a forward-looking economic cost mechanism as replacements for the components presently used in the Hatfield Model or BCPM.

The first workshop will present the staff's ideas for an approach to determining customer location. This workshop will be held on Wednesday, September 3, 1997, from 4:00–6:00 pm in the FCC Training Room, 2000 M Street, N.W. (Lobby Level), Room 110, Washington, D.C. 20554. The second workshop will present the staff's ideas for an approach to modeling outside plant investment. This workshop will be held on Thursday, September 11, 1997, from 10:00 am–12:00 noon in the Commission Meeting Room, 1919 M Street, NW, Room 856, Washington, D.C. 20554. Interested parties may attend the workshops. The workshops also will be recorded on video, and copies of the videotapes will be available in the Commission Reference Room, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 239, Washington, D.C. 20554.

We solicit comment on the algorithms and approaches presented in the workshops. Pursuant to applicable procedures set forth in §§ 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.415 and 1.419, interested parties may file comments on the September 3 customer location workshop on or before September 10, 1997, and may file

cost model. See Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service, Forward Looking Mechanism for High Cost Support for Non-Rural LECs, CC Docket Nos. 96–45 and 97–160, Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 97–256 (released July 18, 1997) 62 FR 42457 (August 7, 1997) (FNPRM) at paras. 17–18.

⁴ Order at para. 245.

⁵ FNPRM at para. 35.

comments on the September 10 outside plant workshop on or before September 24, 1997. Parties should reference the above docket numbers and send their comments to the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 222, Washington, D.C. 20554. Parties should also send one copy of any documents filed in this docket with the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcription Services, Inc., 1231 20th Street, N.W., Washington, D.C. 20036. Comments and reply comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, 1919 M Street, N.W., Room 239, Washington, D.C. 20554. Parties are also asked to send eight (8) copies of their comments to Sheryl Todd, Universal Service Branch, Common Carrier Bureau, 2100 M Street, N.W., Room 8611, Washington, D.C. 20554.

Parties are also encouraged to submit their comments on diskette. Such diskette submissions are in addition to and not a substitute for the formal filing requirements addressed above. Parties submitting diskettes should submit them to Sheryl Todd of the Common Carrier Bureau, 2100 M Street, N.W., Room 8611, Washington, D.C. 20554. Such a submission should be on a 3.5 inch diskette formatted in an IBM compatible form using WordPerfect 5.1 for Windows or compatible software. The diskette should be submitted in "read only" mode. The diskette should be clearly labelled with the party's name, proceeding, type of pleading (comment on workshop) and date of submission. Each diskette should contain only one party's comments in a single electronic file. The diskette should be accompanied by a cover letter.

For further information about these workshops, contact Chuck Keller, (202) 418–7380, ckeller@fcc.gov.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[Report No. 2223]

Petitions for Reconsideration and Clarification of Action in Rulemaking Proceedings

September 4, 1997.

Petitions for reconsideration and clarification have been filed in the

Commission's rulemaking proceedings listed in this Public Notice and published pursuant to 47 CFR Section 1.429(e). The full text of these documents are available for viewing and copying in Room 239, 1919 M Street, NW., Washington, DC or may be purchased from the Commission's copy contractor, ITS, Inc. (202) 857–3800. Oppositions to these petitions must be filed September 25, 1997. See Section 1.4(b)(1) of the Commission's rule (47 CFR 1.4(b)(1)). Replies to an opposition must be filed within 10 days after the time for filing oppositions has expired.

Subject: Review of Sections 68.104 and 68.213 of the Commission's Rules Concerning Connection of Simple Inside Wiring to the Telephone Network and Petition for Modification of Section 68.213 of the Commission's Rules filed by the Electronic Industries Association. (CC Docket No. 88–57, RM–5643)

Number of Petitions Filed: 2.

Subject: Implementation of the Telecommunications Act of 1996: Reform of Filing Requirements and Carrier Classifications. (CC Docket No. 96–193)

Number of Petitions Filed: 1.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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FEDERAL MARITIME COMMISSION

Ocean Freight Forwarder License Applicants

Notice is hereby given that the following applicants have filed with the Federal Maritime Commission applications for licenses as ocean freight forwarders pursuant to section 19 of the Shipping Act of 1984 (46 U.S.C. app. 1718 and 46 CFR part 510).

Persons knowing of any reason why any of the following applicants should not receive a license are requested to contact the Office of Freight Forwarders, Federal Maritime Commission, Washington, D.C. 20573.

Stevens Forwarders, Inc., 527 Morley Drive, Saginaw, MI 48601, Officers: Morrison M. Stevens, President, John H. Stevens, Treasurer
Richard A. Banuelos d/b/a, Surface Sea Forwarding, 11240 N.E. Hwy, 104, Suite #A, Kingston, WA 98346, Sole Proprietor

Dated: September 4, 1997.

Joseph C. Polking,

Secretary.

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