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Re: ET Docket No. 95-183
RM-8553
PP Docket No. 93-253

Dear Mr. Caton:

On behalf of the Fixed Point-to-Point Communications Section, Network Equipment Division of the Telecommunications Industry Association ("TIA"), we are filing and original and seven (7) copies of its Motion for Extension of Time for Filing Reply Comments in the above captioned proceeding.

If additional information is needed, the Commission's staff is requested to communicate with us.

Very truly yours,

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Implementation of Section 309(j) of the Communications Act - Competitive Bidding, 37.0-38.6 GHz and 38.6-40 GHz	)	PP Docket No. 93-253

To: The Commission

MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
FOR FILING REPLY COMMENTS

Pursuant to Section 1.46 of the Commission's Rules,[1] the Fixed Point-to-Point Communications Section, Network Equipment Division of the Telecommunications Industry Association ("TIA"), hereby moves that the Commission extend the deadline for filing Reply Comments on the above-captioned Notice of Proposed Rule Making and Order ("NPRM") from February 27, 1996 to March 18, 1996.

On January 11, 1996, TIA filed a Motion for Extension of Time in the above-cited proceeding for "good cause"[2] so that Comments could be filed on or before February 16, 1996, and Reply Comments on or before March 18, 1996. On January 16, 1996, the Commission, by the Chief of Engineering and Technology, released an Order Extending Time for Comments to

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[1]47 C.F.R. Section 1.46 (1996).

[2]See Motion for Extension of Time filed by TIA on January 11, 1996.

February 12, 1996, and Reply Comments to February 27, 1996.[3]

Noting the difference between TIA's Motion for Extension of Time and the Commission's sua sponte grant for the filing of Comments is only four days,[4] TIA in this Motion addresses only the need for more than the two weeks for the filing of Reply Comments allowed by the Commission's sua sponte Order. The Commission's proposals in the above captioned NPRM are significant in that it raises many issues pertaining to the technologies using the 37 and 39 GHz bands.

Response to the NPRM in this proceeding is expected to be extensive. Time will be needed to review the aforementioned responses and to study and prepare meaningful Reply Comments. Moreover, an extension to March 18, 1996 will allow time for the various parties at interest to coordinate and exchange views among themselves. Providing those parties such extra time to review the Comments will produce a more coherent and critical record which will be advantageous to the Commission as well.

The grant of this Motion will be helpful to TIA and all other interested parties.

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[3]See Order Extending Time, DA 96-15 (released January 16, 1996). The Order was a sua sponte action by the Commission.

[4]TIA requested an extension of the deadline to file comments until February 16, 1996; the Commission's sua sponte grant is to February 12, 1996.

WHEREFORE, for the foregoing reasons, TIA respectfully requests that the Commission grant this Motion for Extension of Time for filing Reply Comments.

Respectfully submitted

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