

FCC Releases USF and ICC Reform NPRM

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Late yesterday, the FCC released its latest NPRM on high cost USF and ICC reform (see our 2/8 post). The 289 page item, available here, sets forth staggered comment dates triggered by federal register publication. The first -- 30 days after Federal Register publication -- is for comments on intercarrier compensation for VoIP traffic, rules to address phantom traffic and rules to reduce access stimulation. Reply comments are due 15 days after that. Comments on the rest of it will be due on the same day (45 days after Federal Register publication). State members of the Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service get two extra weeks to file comments. All reply comments on the remaining sections are due 80 days after federal register publication.