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I-00040105

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Re: Investigation Regarding Intrastate Access Charges and IntraLATA Toll Rates of Rural Carriers, and the Pennsylvania Universal Service Fund; Docket No. I-00040105.

TO ALL PARTIES:

On June 21, 2005, the Rural Telephone Company Coalition, the Commission's Office of Trial Staff, and the Office of Consumer Advocate filed a Joint Petition for Interlocutory Review of a Material Question. See 52 Pa. Code § 5.302. The Joint Petition for Interlocutory Review was filed in response to a June 8, 2005 Order Disposing of Motions issued by Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Susan D. Colwell in the above-captioned proceeding. In said Order, ALJ Colwell, *inter alia*, denied the Motion of the Rural Telephone Company Coalition, Office of Consumer Advocate and Office of Trial Staff for the Commission to Defer This Investigation Pending Resolution of the FCC Inter-carrier Compensation Proceeding at CC Docket No. 01-92 (hereinafter, Motion to Defer) filed on May 23, 2005.

Due to the nature of the issues raised and the scheduling of Public Meetings before this Commission, we hereby **waive** the 30-day period for consideration set forth in 52 Pa. Code § 5.303 and, thereby, extend our consideration beyond the thirty days provided for in said Regulation. See 52 Pa. Code § 1.2(c); also C.S. Warthman Funeral Home, et al. v. GTE North, Incorporated, Docket No. C-00924416 (Order entered June 4, 1993).

Very truly yours,

James J. McNulty
Secretary

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