that make them more resilient or more capable to respond to future disasters? If so, how?

b. In which of the following areas should FEMA focus the incentives of a deductible approach in order to achieve those improvements in disaster management and resilience and why?

i. Increased fiscal capacity to address disasters at the Recipient level.

ii. Better planning by Recipients for the financial costs of disaster.

iii. Reduced long-term impact of disasters.

iv. Reduced risk of loss from disaster.

v. Decreased future disaster costs.

vi. Better levels of cooperation among neighboring jurisdictions.

vii. Increased State emergency management staffing and funding.

viii. Other.

c. What specific actions should FEMA seek to incentivize and why? Potential actions include:

i. Acceptance of greater financial responsibility for disaster costs by non-Federal entities.

ii. Increased non-Federal investment in emergency management programs generally.

iii. Increased investment in mitigation strategies at Recipient levels.

iv. Establishment of Recipient disaster relief funds or ''rainy day'' funds.

1. Increased spending from such funds where they already exist.

v. Establishment of Recipient individual assistance programs.

1. Increased spending from such funds where they already exist.

vi. Increased level of Recipient financial relief provided for incidents that do not receive a Presidential declaration pursuant to the Stafford Act.

vii. Other.

d. How could a deductible incentivize the actions necessary to achieve improvements in the selected areas and how should FEMA design the deductible to provide that incentive?

e. Are there alternatives to a deductible that could serve as a better incentive to the selected improvements and actions?

i. If so, what are those alternatives?

ii. Why would those alternatives be more effective than a deductible?

5. Implementation Considerations: How could FEMA design deductible implementation so as to maximize effectiveness of the deductible as an incentive, but also ensure Recipients have sufficient opportunity to adjust to it?

a. What specific actions might Recipients take if a deductible were introduced to FEMA's Public Assistance Program? What specific types of actions should we seek to incentivize through the establishment of a deductible?

b. How would Recipients meet the deductible?

i. Would Recipients seek to pass the costs of the deductible on to Subrecipients? How?

ii. Would the passing on of costs to Subrecipients be appropriate? Why or why not?

iii. Should FEMA seek to prevent Recipients from passing the costs on to Subrecipients? Why?

iv. If so, what methods could FEMA use to prevent the transfer of responsibility for costs from Recipients to Subrecipients?

c. Should the deductible be applied on an annual basis or per disaster?

i. If annual, how should FEMA define the year? Why?

ii. If per disaster, should there be a cap on the number of deductibles, or total deductible amount, that a Recipient should be responsible for in a given year? Why? In what way can FEMA be sensitive to problems caused by recurrent disasters through a deductible policy?

iii. If appropriate, how should FEMA set the cumulative annual deductible cap for repetitive disasters?

d. Should FEMA ever consider waiving all or part of the deductible? Why?

i. If so, under what circumstances should FEMA consider waiving all or part of the deductible?

ii. If so, how should FEMA determine what portion of the deductible should be waived?

iii. How frequently should FEMA consider waiving all or a portion of the deductible? Why?

e. If FEMA introduced a deductible concept to the Public Assistance Program, what steps would Recipients take to adjust?

i. How long would it take Recipients, working with relevant stakeholders, to appropriately adjust to the introduction of a deductible?

ii. Should FEMA consider a phased implementation approach through which the deductible would be applied over time? Why?

iii. If so, over how much time should the deductible concept be phased in and in what way? Why?

6. Estimating Impacts: Implementation of a deductible as a prerequisite for receiving Public Assistance would have an economic impact on future Recipients of disaster assistance.

a. Do Recipients currently maintain a disaster relief or ''rainy day'' fund?

b. If not, how much would it cost to establish and administer a disaster relief or ''rainy day'' fund?

c. If a Recipient could satisfy its deductible through provision of its own individual assistance program, would Recipients establish or expand existing individual assistance programs?

d. What are the costs of establishing and running various individual assistance programs?

e. If a Recipient could satisfy its deductible through an increase in planning, preparedness, or mitigation programs, would Recipients increase the level of such activities or programs?

f. If a Recipient could satisfy its deductible through adoption of enhanced building codes, would Recipients or Recipient communities adopt such codes?

g. What are the costs associated with adoption of such building codes?

h. What are the costs associated with the specific actions Recipients might take if a deductible were introduced to FEMA's disaster relief programs?

i. What, if any, disproportionate impacts might be borne by small nonprofit entities or small government jurisdictions (populations less than 50,000)?

Authority: 42 U.S.C. 5121 *et seq.*

Dated: January 13, 2016.

W. Craig Fugate,

Administrator, Federal Emergency Management Agency.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Part 64

[CG Docket No. 03–123; DA 15–1453]

Request for Comment on Petition for Rulemaking Filed by IDT Telecom, Inc., Regarding Interstate Telecommunications Relay Service Fund Contribution

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: In this document, the Commission seeks comment on a Petition for Rulemaking (Petition) filed by IDT Telecom, Inc. (IDT) requesting that the Commission issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) to review and revise its rules and policies on the contribution methodology for the Interstate Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) Fund to include intrastate revenue within the TRS Fund contribution base. Additionally IDT requests that the Commission remove the rule provision requiring that video relay service (VRS) costs be recovered

from only interstate and international revenue.

DATES: Comments are due February 4, 2016 and reply comments are due February 16, 2016.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by CG Docket No. 03–123 by any of the following methods:

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), through the Commission's Web site *http://apps.fcc.gov/ecfs/*. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the Web site for submitting comments. For ECFS filers, in completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal service mailing address, and CG Docket No. 03–123.
- Paper filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit one additional copy for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

For detailed instructions for submitting comments and additional information on the rulemaking process, *see* the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section of this document.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Gregory Hlibok, Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau, Disability Rights Office, (202) 559–5158, email: *Gregory.Hlibok@fcc.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Pursuant to 47 CFR 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document.

- Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). *See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings,* 63 FR 24121 (1998).
- All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th Street SW., Room TW–A325, Washington, DC 20554. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.
- Commercial Mail sent by overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
- U.S. Postal Service first-class, Express, and Priority mail should be addressed to 445 12th Street SW., Washington, DC 20554.

This is a summary of the Commission's document DA 15–1453, released on December 18, 2015 in CG Docket No. 03–123. The full text of document DA 15–1453, the Petition, and any subsequently filed documents in this matter will be available for public inspection and copying via ECFS, and during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street SW., Room CY–A257, Washington, DC 20554. Document DA 15–1453 can also be downloaded in Word or Portable Document Format (PDF) at: *https://www.fcc.gov/general/disability-rights-office-headlines*. To request materials in accessible formats for people with disabilities (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an email to *fcc504@fcc.gov* or call the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice), (202) 418–0432 (TTY).

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Synopsis

On November 25, 2015, IDT filed a petition for rulemaking asking the Commission to issue an NPRM to review and revise its rules and policies concerning the contribution methodology for the TRS Fund. IDT asks the commission to implement a contribution methodology that includes intrastate revenue within the TRS Fund contribution base. Additionally, IDT requests that the Commission remove the rule provision that requires VRS costs to be recovered from only interstate and international revenue. IDT asserts that this would greatly increase and strengthen the base of the TRS Fund.

Federal Communications Commission.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Wireline Competition Bureau Extends Comment and Reply Comment Deadlines in Business Data Services (Special Access) Rulemaking Proceeding

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule.

SUMMARY: The Wireline Competition Bureau grants in part a request seeking an extension to the comment and reply comment deadlines in the business data services (special access proceeding, *Special Access FNPRM.*

DATES: Comments may be filed on or before January 22, 2016, and reply comments may be filed by February 19, 2016.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, Washington, DC 20554.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph Price, Wireline Competition Bureau, Pricing Policy Division, 202–418–1540 or at *Joseph.Price@fcc.gov*.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This is a summary of the Commission's order WC Docket 05–25, RM–10593, DA 15–1473, released December 21, 2015. This document does not contain information collection(s) subject to the Paperwork Act of 1995 (PRA), Public Law 104–93. In addition, therefore, it does not contain any new or modified ''information collection burdens[s] for small business concerns with fewer than 25 employees,'' pursuant to the Small Business Paperwork Relief Act of 2002. The full text of this document may be downloaded at the following Internet address: *http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2015/db1221/DA-15-1473A1.pdf.* To request alternative formats for persons with disabilities (*e.g.*, accessible format documents, sign language, interpreters, CARTS, etc.), send an email to *fcc504@fcc.gov* or call the Commission's Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 or (202) 418–0432 (TTY).