objective—improving the spectrum environment for public safety operations in the 800 MHz Band. However, finding some merit in the arguments advanced by CTIA and in the supporting pleadings, we believe that a modest extension of time "one week "may serve to compile a more complete record. Therefore, we hereby extend the comment date to February 10, 2003 and extend the reply comment date to February 25, 2003.

Accordingly, it is Ordered that CTIA's Motion for Extension of Time is Granted to the extent expressed herein and is Denied in all other respects, and that the time for filing comments in the captioned proceeding is Extended until February 10, 2003 and the time for filing reply comments in the captioned proceeding is Extended until February 25, 2003.

Federal Communications Commission.

D'wana R. Terry,

Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

47 CFR Parts 0, 43, 63 and 64

[IB Docket Nos. 02-324, 96-261; DA 03-312]

International Settlements Policy Reform and International Settlement Rates

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Proposed rule; extension of reply comment period.

SUMMARY: On October 25, 2002, the Federal Communications Commission published a proposed rule document initiating a proceeding to re-examine the Commission's International Settlements Policy. The Commission received comments from a substantial number of foreign carriers or associations based in foreign countries. To ensure proper translations as well as the need for timely access to the initial comments, the Commission decided to extend the reply comment period by 12 days.

DATES: Reply comments are due on or before February 18, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Federal Communications Commission, Office of the Secretary, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. See Supplementary Information for filing instructions.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

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SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

- 1. On October 11, 2002, the Commission released a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) seeking comment from the public regarding possible reform of its International Settlements Policy, International Simple Resale and benchmarks policies, and the issue of foreign mobile termination rates. (See 67 FR 65527, October 25, 2002.)
- 2. On January 14, 2003, the Commission received comments from twenty parties on the issues under consideration in the NPRM. A substantial number of initial commenters are either foreign carriers or associations based in foreign countries. Therefore, recognizing the potential need of some of these commenters for additional time to ensure proper translations as well as the need for timely access to the initial comments through the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), we extend the comment due date for replies regarding the NPRM, FCC 02-285, IB Docket Nos. 02-324 & 96-261, by 12 days to February 18, 2003 in order to afford all members of the public a full opportunity to comment on the issues raised in the initial comments. We find that the public interest will be served by this brief extension of the reply dates to allow for a more complete record in this proceeding.
- 3. Accordingly, pursuant to § 1.1 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.1, the new reply comment due date is February 18, 2003. Instructions for filing pleadings in this proceeding are set forth in the NPRM, available on the Commission's Web site at http://www.fcc.gov.

Federal Communications Commission: **James Ball**,

Chief, Policy Division, International Bureau. [FR Doc. 03–3137 Filed 2–7–03; 8:45 am]

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Research and Special Programs Administration

49 CFR Part 173

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[Docket No. RSPA-99-6223 (HM-213B)] RIN 2137-AD36

Hazardous Materials: Safety Requirements for External Product Piping on Cargo Tanks Transporting Flammable Liquids

AGENCY: Research and Special Programs Administration (RSPA), DOT. **ACTION:** Advance notice of proposed

SUMMARY: RSPA is considering alternatives for reducing safety risks associated with the transportation of flammable liquids in unprotected product piping (wetlines) on DOT specification cargo tank motor vehicles. In this notice, RSPA is soliciting comments and information regarding methods to reduce the risks posed by wetlines. In addition, we are seeking answers to questions to assist in determining whether further regulatory action is warranted. Regulatory amendments that may be promulgated as a result of comments to this notice will be developed jointly with the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration (FMCSA), which has primary enforcement authority for cargo tank motor vehicles and highway transportation.

DATES: Comments must be received by June 10, 2003.

ADDRESSES: Written Comments: Submit written comments to the Dockets Management System, U.S. Department of Transportation, Room PL. 401, 400 Seventh Street, SW., Washington, DC 20590-0001. Comments should identify the docket number, RSPA-99-6223 (HM-213B), and be submitted in two copies. If you wish to receive confirmation that RSPA has received your comments, include a selfaddressed stamped postcard. You may also submit comments via e-mail by accessing the Dockets Management System Web site at "http:// dms.dot.gov". Click on "Help & Information" to obtain instructions for filing the document electronically. You may also send your comments by facsimile to (202) 366-3753.

The Docket Management System is located on the Plaza Level of the Nassif Building at the U.S. Department of Transportation at the above address. You may review public dockets between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday