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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

Application of American Broadband
and Telecommunications Company
LLC (U-4457-C) for Appeal Request
for Expedited Schedule.

Application 26-06-003

**ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE'S RULING RESETTING PROTEST PERIOD
AND SETTING PREHEARING CONFERENCE DATE**

This ruling sets a new proceeding schedule for the filing of protests and responses to the instant application, and also sets a date for the prehearing conference.

1. Procedural Background

On May 15, 2026, American Broadband and Telecommunications Company (AMBT) submitted its application in this proceeding. AMBT alleges that the Commission's Communications Division is wrongfully withholding payments for Lifeline services rendered by AMBT, has wrongfully suspended AMBT's license, and is unlawfully seeking repayment of funds already paid. AMBT initially submitted both a public version of the application and a confidential version with a motion for leave to file under seal. The public version of the application was almost entirely redacted. AMBT also submitted a Motion for Temporary Injunction to have Lifeline payments restarted, with a corresponding motion for leave to file under seal. A status conference was held on July 7, 2026, to discuss the status of the proceeding and provide direction that the application would need to be significantly unredacted in order for other

parties to meaningfully take notice of the application and participate in the proceeding.

On July 9, 2026, amended public versions of the Motion for Temporary Injunction and Application were submitted by AMBT, with significantly less redactions. Amended Motions for Leave to File Under Seal for both documents were also submitted.

2. Proceeding Schedule

Given that potential parties are only now seeing what is at issue in the application, this ruling sets a new deadline for the proceeding's protest and answer period. Protests and Responses shall be due August 27, 2026. Any replies to the protests or responses shall be due by September 4, 2026. A prehearing conference (PHC) is hereby scheduled for September 8, 2026 at 10:30 AM, to discuss the scope and schedule of the proceeding, as well as any other procedural matters.

Any person may join the PHC using the following information:

- **Meeting Link for Video/Audio:**
<https://cpuc.webex.com/cpuc/j.php?MTID=mf1c75bb1906b632be5fbd6ad4cc1e896>

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By September 1, 2027, any persons planning to participate in the PHC shall e-mail the assigned administrative law judge, at garrett.toy@cpuc.ca.gov, with their name, e-mail address, and

phone number so that a personal webinar invitation may be sent.

Please utilize this personal link if one is sent to you.

IT IS RULED that:

1. Protests and responses to the application shall be due by August 27, 2026.
2. Replies to any protests or responses to the application shall be due by September 4, 2026.
3. A prehearing conference is scheduled for September 8, 2026 at 10:30 AM.

This order is effective today.

Dated July 28, 2026, at San Francisco, California.

/s/ GARRETT TOY
Garrett Toy
Administrative Law Judge