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To amend the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 to amend the definition of eligible facilities request, to codify the 60-day time frame for certain eligible facilities requests, and for other purposes.

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Mr. KINZINGER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Wireless Resiliency and
5 Flexible Investment Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. CODIFYING 60-DAY TIME FRAME FOR CERTAIN ELI-**
2 **GIBLE FACILITIES REQUESTS.**

3 Section 6409(a) of the Middle Class Tax Relief and
4 Job Creation Act of 2012 (47 U.S.C. 1455(a)) is amend-
5 ed—

6 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “eligible facili-
7 ties request for a modification of an existing wireless
8 tower or base station that does not substantially
9 change the physical dimensions of such tower or
10 base station” and inserting “complete eligible facili-
11 ties request for a modification of an existing wireless
12 tower, base station, or eligible support structure that
13 does not substantially change the physical dimen-
14 sions of such tower, base station, or eligible support
15 structure”;

16 (2) by amending paragraph (2) to read as fol-
17 lows:

18 “(2) TIME FRAME.—

19 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 60
20 days after the date on which a State or local
21 government receives a complete eligible facilities
22 request described under paragraph (1), the
23 State or local government shall approve such
24 request.

25 “(B) DEEMED APPROVAL.—If a State or
26 local government does not approve an eligible

1 facilities request by the date required under
2 subparagraph (A), the request is deemed ap-
3 proved on the day after such date.

4 “(C) WHEN REQUEST CONSIDERED COM-
5 PLETE; RECEIVED.—

6 “(i) WHEN REQUEST CONSIDERED
7 COMPLETE.—

8 “(I) IN GENERAL.—For the pur-
9 poses of this paragraph, an eligible fa-
10 cilities request to a State or local gov-
11 ernment shall be considered complete
12 if the requesting party has not re-
13 ceived a written notice from the State
14 or local government within 10 busi-
15 ness days after the date on which the
16 request is received by the State or
17 local government—

18 “(aa) stating that all the in-
19 formation (including any form or
20 other document) required by the
21 State or local government to be
22 submitted for the request to be
23 considered complete has not been
24 submitted; and

1 “(bb) identifying the infor-
2 mation required to be submitted
3 that was not submitted.

4 “(II) DEFINITION.—In this
5 clause, the term ‘received by the State
6 or local government’ means—

7 “(aa) in the case of an eligi-
8 ble facilities request submitted
9 electronically, on the date on
10 which the request is transmitted;

11 “(bb) in the case of an eligi-
12 ble facilities request submitted in
13 person, on the date on which the
14 request is delivered to the indi-
15 vidual or at the location specified
16 by the State or local government
17 for in-person submission; and

18 “(cc) in the case of an eligi-
19 ble facilities request submitted in
20 any other manner, on the date
21 determined under regulations
22 promulgated by the Commission
23 for the manner in which the re-
24 quest is submitted.

1 “(ii) WHEN COMPLETE REQUEST CON-
2 SIDERED RECEIVED.—For the purposes of
3 this paragraph, a complete eligible facilities
4 request shall be considered received on the
5 date on which the requesting party submits
6 to the State or local government all infor-
7 mation (including any form or other docu-
8 ment) required by the State or local gov-
9 ernment to be submitted for the request to
10 be considered complete.”; and

11 (3) by adding at the end the following:

12 “(4) DEFINITIONS.—In this subsection:

13 “(A) ELIGIBLE FACILITIES REQUEST.—
14 The term ‘eligible facilities request’ means any
15 request for modification of an existing wireless
16 tower, base station, or eligible support structure
17 that involves—

18 “(i) collocation of new transmission
19 equipment;

20 “(ii) removal of transmission equip-
21 ment;

22 “(iii) replacement of transmission
23 equipment; or

24 “(iv) placement, modification, or con-
25 struction of equipment that—

1 “(I) improves the resiliency of
2 the wireless tower, base station, or eli-
3 gible support structure; and

4 “(II) provides a direct benefit to
5 public safety, such as—

6 “(aa) providing backup
7 power for the wireless tower, base
8 station, or eligible support struc-
9 ture;

10 “(bb) hardening the wireless
11 tower, base station, or other eligi-
12 ble support structure; or

13 “(cc) providing more reliable
14 connection capability using the
15 wireless tower, base station, or
16 eligible support structure.

17 “(B) ELIGIBLE SUPPORT STRUCTURE.—

18 The term ‘eligible support structure’ means a
19 structure that supports a personal wireless serv-
20 ice facility at the time at which the eligible fa-
21 cilities request is made.

22 “(C) PERSONAL WIRELESS SERVICE FACIL-
23 ITY.—The term ‘personal wireless service facil-
24 ity’ means a facility necessary for the provision
25 of—

1 “(i) commercial mobile service;

2 “(ii) commercial mobile data service

3 (as that term is defined in section 6001 of

4 the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Cre-

5 ation Act of 2012 (47 U.S.C. 1401));

6 “(iii) unlicensed wireless service; and

7 “(iv) common carrier wireless ex-

8 change access service.”.

9 **SEC. 3. IMPLEMENTATION.**

10 Not later than 180 days after the date of the enact-

11 ment of this Act, the Federal Communications Commis-

12 sion shall issue final rules implementing section 2 of this

13 Act, and the amendments made by such section.

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