

ANTITRUST MODERNIZATION COMMISSION

Working Group Timeline

October 15: Distribute to each working group lists of issues identified in response to public comment, through Commission outreach efforts, and by Commissioners.

October 20: Commission meeting to discuss criteria for selecting issues. Workgroups may use discussion to inform themselves as to which types of issues the Commission is most interested in studying.

Intermediate steps: The timing of these steps will vary based upon each working group leader's management and availability of the members of the working group. Each working group may wish to take the following steps towards completion of work by December 17:

- Hold initial meeting (or conference call) among the members of each working group (and Commission staff).
- Develop a list of specific questions and/or topics that are most appropriate for study, based upon the list of topics proposed in public comments, in outreach meetings, or by Commissioners.
- Identify any topics or questions that need additional refinement, including research or other information from staff, to inform working group discussion.
- Finalize lists of specific topics or questions for potential study by Commission.
- Make recommendations as to which issues are most worthy of Commission study. Recommendations should include a brief explanation of the reasons for recommending each issue for study. Where appropriate, recommendations should also include explanations as to why issues are not appropriate (or less appropriate) for study.

By December 17: Working groups circulate recommendations regarding issues for study for review by full Commission in advance of January 13 meeting.

January 13: Commission meets to consider working group recommendations. (Additional meeting in February if necessary.)