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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES
REGION 20 (NORTHERN VIRGINIA, MARYLAND AND DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA)
PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES TO HOLD 700 MHZ REGIONAL
PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING AND 800 MHZ NPSPAC REGIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY
PLANNING MEETINGS

Gen. Docket No. 90-7

The Region 20 (Northern Virginia, Maryland and the District of Columbia)¹ Public Safety Regional Planning Committees will hold two consecutive planning meetings on Tuesday, March 24, 2009, beginning at 10:00 a.m., at the Maryland State Highway Administration Hanover Complex, Office of Maintenance Training Conference Room, 7491 Connelly Drive, Hanover, Maryland.

The agenda for the 700 MHz meeting includes:

- Chairperson welcome and opening (G. Edward Ryan)
- Review and approval of the minutes from last meeting
- Discussion of old business matters, and comments
- Technical Committee Report (Wayne McBride)
 - Review and recommendation for Region 20 approval of Window I applications for 700 MHz frequency assignments
 - Announcement that Technical Committee will receive 700 MHz applications through June 30, 2009, and any submitted during this period will be reviewed on August 4, 2009
 - Update on regulatory matters before the Federal Communications Commission and any related matters impacting Region 20
- Discussion of new business matters and comments
- Adjournment
- Break for lunch

Beginning at 1:00 p.m., the 800 MHz Public Safety Regional Planning Committee will convene at the same location.

The agenda for the 800 MHz meeting includes:

- Chairperson welcome and opening (G. Edward Ryan)
- Review and approval of the minutes from last meeting

¹ The Region 20 regional planning area includes Arlington, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun, Prince William and Stafford Counties; and Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park Cities).

- Discussion of old business matters and comments
- Technical Committee Report (Gary McKelvey)
 - Review and recommendation for Region 20 approval of applications for 800 MHz actions
- Discussion of new business matters and comments
- Appointment for new Region 20 800 MHz Technical Committee Chair
- Adjournment

Both Region 20 Public Safety Regional Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. It is essential that public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county and Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 90.523, be represented in order to ensure that each agency's future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency's needs.

All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and 800 MHz bands within Region 20 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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