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**COMMENTS INVITED ON NORTHERN CALIFORNIA AREA (REGION 6)
PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN AMENDMENT
(GEN. DOCKET NO. 90-287)**

Comment Date: August 27, 2001

Reply Date: September 11, 2001

On June 11, 2001, we received an amendment request from the Northern California (Region 6) Planning Update Committee proposing to amend its 821-824/866-869 MHz (800 MHz) Public Safety Plan. In accordance with the Public Safety National Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of public safety radio frequency spectrum in the 800 MHz bands.¹ The Public Safety Plan for Region 6 governs the use of 800 MHz spectrum assignments within Northern California. The Plan was adopted by the Commission on November 20, 1990² and subsequently revised on July 22, 1992,³ October 17, 1994,⁴ August 4, 1997⁵ and November 6, 1998.⁶ The instant plan amendment requests modifications that would revise the current channel allotments to reflect changes (see Appendix A) that are needed based on increased demand for channels in the San Francisco Bay area. The amendment request also includes minor changes to the text of the Plan that will facilitate the function and administration of the Plan.

The Commission is soliciting comments from the public before taking action on this proposed plan amendment. Copies of the Region 6 amendment request may be viewed at the Commission's Reference Information Center, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-A257, Washington, DC 20554. Copies may also be obtained from the Commission's copy contractor, International Transcriptions Services, (ITS), which is located at 1231 20th St., N.W., Washington, DC. ITS may be contacted by phone at (202) 857-3800. The Region 6 amendment request may also be viewed on-line by accessing the Commission's Electronic Comments Filing System (ECFS) at

¹ Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment of Part 90 to Establish Service Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/866-869 MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services, GN Docket No. 87-112, *Report and Order*, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987).

² Northern California Region 6 Public Safety Plan, GN Docket No. 90-287, *Order*, 5 FCC Rcd 7123 (1990).

³ Northern California Region 6 Public Safety Plan, GN Docket No. 90-287, *Order*, 7 FCC Rcd 4908 (1992).

⁴ Northern California Region 6 Public Safety Plan, GN Docket No. 90-287, *Order*, 9 FCC Rcd 6128 (1994).

⁵ Northern California Area (Region 6) Review and Revision Committee Receives Approval for Minor Amendment to Its Regional Public Safety Plan, GN Docket No. 90-287, *Public Notice*, WT 97-33.

⁶ Region 6 Public Safety Committee Receives Approval For Minor Amendment To Its Regional Public Safety Plan, GN Docket No. 90-287, *Public Notice*, 13 FCC Rcd 22522 (1998).

<http://izzy.fcc.gov/prod/ecfs/s/a/> initiating a search of records for WT Docket Number 90-287.

Interested parties may file comments to the proposed amendment on or before August 27, 2001, and reply comments on or before September 11, 2001. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, *Report and Order*, GC Docket No. 97-113, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998), or by filing paper copies. Commenters who submit by paper should send an original and five copies of comments to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th St., S.W., Room TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. Commenters should clearly identify all comments and reply comments, whether submitted electronically or as paper copies, as submissions to WT Docket 90-287 Region 6 Public Safety Plan amendment request. Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <<http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send e-mails to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Questions regarding this public notice may be directed to Ms. Joy Alford, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, (202) 418-0694, TTY (202) 418-7233, or via email at jalford@fcc.gov.

SUMMARY OF CHANGES IN REGION VI CHANNEL ASSIGNMENTS

Approved by the Region VI Review and Revision Committee April 24, 2001

Channel 777 - **Allocate** to Livermore-Amador Valley Transit Agency

Channel 737 - **Remove** BARTD and **allocate** to City of Richmond

Channel 743 - **Allocate** to City of Richmond

Channels 602, 618, 620, 628, 642, 650, 665, 674, 680, 689, 691, 693, 702, 709, 711, 731, 737, 743, 744, 758, 761, 784, 795, 821, 824, 827 - **allot** to Contra Costa County.

Channels 613, 617, 624, 628, 642, 650, 668, 673, 692, 702, 729, 742, 759, 777, 787, 807, 811, 820. **Allot** to Stanislaus County.

Allocated channels are ready for immediate licensing when the Plan is approved by the FCC.

Allotted channels will be protected until the next window opening, but agencies have not submitted current proof of funding and other information as required by the Plan.

All other channel assignments will remain as listed in the current Plan as approved by the FCC November 6, 1998.