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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION

THE NEW YORK METROPOLITAN AREA (REGION 8) RECEIVES APPROVAL FOR MINOR AMENDMENTS TO ITS PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLAN (GENERAL DOCKET NO. 88-476)

By this Public Notice, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) announces that the New York Metropolitan area (Region 8)¹ Public Safety Regional Planning Committee's proposal to amend the Region 8 Public Safety Regional Plan is approved. On March 12, 2002, Region 8 filed an amendment, which proposes to revise the current channel allotments for radio frequencies in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands within the New York Metropolitan area, and reflects changes made as a result of its Sixth Window application process, as indicated in the attached Appendix 1.

In accordance with the National Public Safety Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of public safety radio frequency spectrum in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands.² The Region 8 Plan, which was originally adopted by the Commission on May 12, 1989,³ has been amended several times in the last thirteen years.⁴ On April 12, 2002, the Bureau issued a

³ See New York Metropolitan Area Public Safety Plan, Order, Gen. Docket No. 88-476, 4 FCC Rcd 4457 (1989).

¹ Region 8 includes Southwestern Connecticut, Southern New York and Northeastern New Jersey.

² See Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment to Part 90 to Establish Service Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/766-869 MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services, Report and Order, Gen. Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987).

⁴ The New York Metropolitan Area Public Safety Plan (Region 8) was revised by Public Notice on December 4, 1990. September 26, 1994. November 28, 1994. March 22, 1995 and March 17, 1997. See 5 FCC Rcd 7417 (1990). 9 FCC Rcd 5724 (1994), 9 FCC Rcd 7341 (1994), 10 FCC Rcd 3398 (1995) and Rep. No. WT 97-12 (rel. Mar. 17, 1997).

Public Notice (DA 02-863) inviting interested parties to file comments regarding a proposed amendment to the Region 8 Plan.⁵ We have reviewed the Region 8 request, which modifies the Region's frequency allocation tables to provide new assignments for the Town of Greenwich, Connecticut; the Connecticut State Police; Suffolk County, New York; the New York Metropolitan Transportation Authority Police; the New York-New Jersey Port Authority; and the Township of Old Bridge, New Jersey. Further, we received no comments in response to the *Public Notice* of April 12, 2002. The amendment is, therefore, accepted and approved as submitted. The Secretary's office will place the amended Region 8 Plan in the official docket file where it will remain available to the public.

Questions regarding this public notice may be directed to Joy Alford, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (202) 418-0694.

Action by Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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⁵ See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Action, Comments Invited on New York Metropolitan Area (Region 8) Public Safety Regional Plan Amendment, *Public Notice*, Gen. Docket 88-476, 17 FCC Rcd 6666 (2002).