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## **WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION**

### **REGION 24 (MISSOURI) PUBLIC SAFETY PLANNING COMMITTEES ANNOUNCE**

#### **800 MHz NPSPAC REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE (PR DOCKET 93-131) AND 700 MHz REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

On Wednesday, December 8, 2004, the Region 24 800 MHz NPSPAC Regional Planning Committee meeting will convene at 10:00 a.m. and will conclude at 12 noon, at the St. Louis Municipal Police Department Police Academy, 315 South Tucker, St. Louis, Missouri. The Region 24 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee meeting will begin at 1:00 p.m., and conclude at 3:00 p.m.

The agenda for the 800 MHz NPSPAC meeting includes:

1. A review of new applications for 800 MHz NPSPAC spectrum.
2. Update on 800 MHz re-banding and its possible effect on Region 24 and a discussion of potential use of additional channel availability resulting from re-banding will be discussed. Re-banding topics will include:
  - The details of the FCC's decision to re-band and what led to it occurring.
  - The procedures and details of the cost of re-banding, including who pays and when.
  - Who moves in this process?
  - Planning
  - Concerns agencies should be aware of.
  - Backup plans.
  - Outsourcing work - what can you do?
  - RPC interaction.
3. NOTE: The current Region 24 800 MHz plan is being transformed into Microsoft

Word format from the old printed version, which is available in PDF format. Converting the printed file to an electronic file will allow the region to review the current plan and begin to identify areas that can be improved through plan modification with the FCC.

4. Discussion on the potential repacking of the existing 800 MHz NPSPAC county channel allotments to improve the spectrum efficiency of the band in Missouri. Most NPSPAC 821 MHz county allotments in Missouri have been unused for over 10 years.
5. Discussion
6. Adjournment

Following the adjournment of the 800 MHz NSPAC at approximately 1:00 pm, the 700 MHz meeting will convene. The agenda for the 700 MHz meeting includes:

1. Status on the approval process of the Region 24 700 MHz regional plan, the FCC return of the plan after it was submitted, and steps that are being taken to re-submit the plan. A general review of the plan and its content will be discussed along with the concerns of the FCC in their return of the plan.
2. The Missouri SIEC and its role with regard to interoperability in the 700 MHz band.
3. CAPRAD access at the regional planning level and possible enhancements that allow improved spectrum efficiency when utilizing county channel allotments.
4. Wideband data applications in Missouri, with a discussion on regional interest in wideband reserve 50 kHz channels currently still held by the FCC. The allocation of those channels will be discussed, along with efficient ways for those additional channels to be allotted to users within Region 24.
5. Channel allotments in Missouri county areas and how they were generated in concert with a national plan.
6. 4.9 GHz progress, licensing and how local agencies must consider the FCC allocation of 4940-4990 MHz to public safety as a community resource. Current status of the FCC's emission mask and the NPSTC Petition for Reconsideration will be discussed.

Each of the Region 24 Public Safety Planning Committee meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers whose sole or principal purpose is to protect the safety of life, health, or property may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that not only public safety, but all government, Native American Tribal, and non-governmental organizations eligible under Section 90.523 of the Commission's Rules 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 who wish to participate in the planning for the use of the public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz, 800 MHz and 4.9 GHz bands within Region 24 should plan to attend. Region 24 welcomes all interested parties to attend and participate. All attendees, both voting and non-voting eligibles, become members of the committee upon attending a meeting. For further information on any of the Region 24 planning activities, please contact:

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