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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES FOR THE SECOND FURTHER NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING IN THE REVIEW OF THE EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM PROCEEDING

EB Docket No. 04-296

Comments Date: March 1, 2010

Reply Comments Date: March 30, 2010

On January 12, 2010, the Commission adopted a *Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* (*Second FNPRM*) proposing to amend our Part 11 rules governing the Emergency Alert System (EAS) to provide for national testing of the EAS and collection of data from such tests. The *Second FNPRM* seeks comment on whether the proposed rules would effectively ensure accurate EAS testing at the national level. The *Second FNPRM* sets deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 and 60 days after publication of the *Second FNPRM* in the Federal Register.

On January 29, 2010, a summary of the *Second FNPRM* was published in the Federal Register.<sup>3</sup> Accordingly, comments must be filed on or before March 1, 2010; and reply comments must be filed on or before March 30, 2010. Comment filing instructions are set forth in the *Second FNPRM*.<sup>4</sup> The *Second FNPRM* is available at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs\_public/attachmatch/FCC-10-11A1.doc.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Review of the Emergency Alert System, EB Docket No. 04-296, *Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, FCC 10-11, \_\_ FCC Rcd \_\_ (rel. Jan. 14, 2010)(*Second FNPRM*).

 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  *Id.* at ¶¶ 25-32.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>See 75 Fed. Reg. 4760 (Jan. 29, 2010).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See Second FNPRM, at ¶ 35.