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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT  
ON THE PUBLIC SAFETY SPECTRUM TRUST'S PROPOSED SECOND-YEAR BUDGET  
AND ADMINISTRATIVE FEES FOR THE 700 MHZ PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND  
WAIVER RECIPIENTS**

**PS Docket No. 06-229**

**Comment Date: September 12, 2011**

On May 12, 2010, the Commission released an order granting twenty-one petitioners conditional waivers to pursue early deployment of state, local, or regional 700 MHz public safety broadband wireless networks under lease agreements with the Public Safety Spectrum Trust (PSST).<sup>1</sup> Pursuant to that order, the PSST submitted for the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau's (Bureau) approval on June 11, 2010, its proposed first-year budget and corresponding annual spectrum lease fee for the waiver recipients for administration of the leases.<sup>2</sup> The Bureau approved the budget and associated fee as proposed on August 11, 2010.<sup>3</sup>

On August 15, 2011, the PSST filed in PS Docket 06-229 its proposed second-year budget and associated spectrum lease fee, which cover "the expenses that the PSST anticipates it will incur between September 1, 2011 and August 31, 2012 in carrying out the responsibilities set forth in the [*Waiver Order*]."<sup>4</sup> The Bureau seeks comment generally on the budget and fee proposed by the PSST.<sup>5</sup> In

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<sup>1</sup> Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks, PS Docket No. 06-229, *Order*, 25 FCC Rcd 5145 (2010) (*Waiver Order*). The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau granted a twenty-second waiver, to the State of Texas, on May 12, 2011. *See* Requests for Waiver of Various Petitioners to Allow the Establishment of 700 MHz Interoperable Public Safety Wireless Broadband Networks, PS Docket 06-229, *Order*, DA 11-863 (PSHSB 2011) (*Texas Waiver Order*).

<sup>2</sup> *See* Letter from Harlin R. McEwen, Chairman, Public Safety Spectrum Trust, to James Arden Barnett, Jr., Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, PS Docket No. 06-229 (filed June 11, 2010).

<sup>3</sup> *See* Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band, PS Docket 06-229, *Order*, 25 FCC Rcd 10813 (PSHSB 2010) (*PSST Budget Approval Order*).

<sup>4</sup> *See* Letter from Harlin R. McEwen, Chairman, Public Safety Spectrum Trust, to James Arden Barnett, Jr., Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, PS Docket No. 06-229 at 1 (filed Aug. 15, 2011) (Second Year Proposed Budget).

<sup>5</sup> *See Waiver Order* at ¶ 33 (requiring the Bureau to seek comment on the PSST's proposed budget, and delegating authority to the Bureau to approve such budget after comment).

particular, the Bureau invites comment from the waiver recipients as to the reasonableness of the PSST's proposal. In addition, the Bureau seeks comment on the PSST's request that the Bureau "ease the PSST reporting requirements from Monthly to Quarterly during the period September 1, 2011 through August 31, 2012."<sup>6</sup>

### **Comment Filing Procedures**

Interested parties may file comments on or before September 12, 2011. All comments should reference PS Docket No. 06-229.

Comments may be submitted: (1) using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) through the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies.<sup>7</sup> Comments can be filed through the Commission's ECFS filing interface located at the following Internet address: <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>. Comments can also be filed via the Federal eRulemaking Portal: <http://www.regulations.gov>.<sup>8</sup> In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties that choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing.

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<sup>6</sup> See Second Year Proposed Budget at 1.

<sup>7</sup> See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998).

<sup>8</sup> Filers should follow the instructions provided on the Federal eRulemaking Portal website for submitting comments.