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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU REMINDS
MEDIA OUTLETS AND EAS PARTICIPANTS THAT BROADCAST
OF EAS TONES AND ATTENTION SIGNAL IS PROHIBITED EXCEPT DURING
AUTHORIZED EAS ACTIVATIONS, INCLUDING TESTS**

The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau reminds all media outlets not to rebroadcast the EAS tones and/or attention signal in news or other stories about the Nationwide EAS Test scheduled for November 9, 2011. Pursuant to section 11.45 of the FCC's rules, "[n]o person may transmit or cause to transmit the EAS codes or Attention Signal, or a recording or simulation thereof, in any circumstance other than in an actual National, State or Local Area emergency or authorized test of the EAS." 47 C.F.R. § 11.45. Any rebroadcast of the EAS tones and attention signal not only would violate FCC Rules, but also would pose a public danger because rebroadcast of the tones could trigger a false alert from EAS equipment that picks up such a rebroadcast.

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