## Before the Federal Communications Commission WASHINGTON, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)
Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules	) WP Docket No. 07-100
Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band	) PS Docket No. 06-229
Service Rules for the 698-746, 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands	) WT Docket No. 06-150

## **ORDER**

Adopted: September 26, 2012 Released: September 26, 2012

By the Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau:

- 1. On our own motion, we extend the comment and reply deadlines established in the *Fifth Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Fifth FNPRM)* of the above-captioned proceeding. In the *Fifth NPRM*, the Commission specified that comments are due 60 days after publication in the Federal Register, and reply comments are due 90 days after publication in the Federal Register. On August 1, 2012, the Office of the Federal Register published a summary of the *Fifth FNPRM*, which established a comment deadline of October 1, 2012, and a reply comment deadline of October 30, 2012.<sup>2</sup>
- 2. The *Fifth FNPRM* seeks comment on various issues relating to the 4.9 GHz band, including the relationship between the 4.9 GHz band and the 700 MHz public safety broadband network, which will be administered by the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), a newly formed independent authority within the National Telecommunications and Information Administration.<sup>3</sup> We note that FirstNet is still in the initial stages of formation, and held its first public meeting on September 25, 2012.<sup>4</sup> Thus, under the current comment schedule for this proceeding, FirstNet may not have sufficient time to file comments to the *Fifth FNPRM* by the comment deadline. Therefore, on our own motion we find that an extension of the comment and reply comment dates for the *Fifth FNPRM* is appropriate to provide FirstNet and other interested parties additional time to file, which in turn will enable the Commission to develop a more substantial record in this proceeding. Accordingly, we extend the comment deadline to **November 1, 2012**, and the reply comment deadline to **November 30, 2012**.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> In the Matter of Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission's Rules; Implementing a Nationwide, Broadband, Interoperable Public Safety Network in the 700 MHz Band; Service Rules for the 698-746, 747-762 and 777-792 MHz Bands; WP Docket No. 07-100, PS Docket No. 06-229, WT Docket No. 06-150, Fourth Report and Order and Fifth Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 27 FCC Rcd 6577 (2012) (Fifth FNPRM).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> See 77 FR 45558 (Aug. 1, 2012).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> See Fifth FNPRM, 27 FCC Rcd at 6594-96 ¶¶ 47-51.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> See 77 FR 56622 (Sept. 13, 2012).

3. Accordingly, IT IS ORDERED that, pursuant to sections 4(i), 4(j), and 5(c) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §§ 154(i), 154(j), 155(c), and pursuant to the authority delegated in Sections 0.191 and 0.392 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.191, 0.392, WE EXTEND the comment and reply comment deadlines for the above proceeding as discussed herein.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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