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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU CLARIFIES THAT THE OCTOBER 29, 2013 DATE OPENING A FILING WINDOW FOR ADDITIONAL CHANNELS VACATED BY SPRINT CORPORATION REMAINS UNCHANGED

Application Filing May Commence on October 29, 2013

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The Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) clarifies that the **October 29, 2013** date for applicants to begin filing applications for vacated channels made available by *Public Notice* DA 13-2004 (released Sept. 30, 2013) remains unchanged.¹ On this date, the Bureau will begin accepting applications for facilities on the channels made available by *Public Notice* DA 13-2004.

The Bureau announced on September 30, 2013 that it would be updating the Vacated Channel Search Engine (VCSE) with additional channels released by Sprint Corporation (Sprint) in the 809-815/854-860 MHz (Channels 231- 470) portion of the 800 MHz band.² The Bureau indicated that, beginning on **October 29, 2013**, Commission-certified frequency coordinators may file applications on behalf of eligible applicants for channels newly made available in the VCSE.³

Although the Commission released a Public Notice on October 17, 2013 stating that certain filing deadlines between October 17 and November 4 would be delayed until November 4, 2013 because of the recent government-wide lapse in funding during which the Commission suspended normal operations, the October 17, 2013 Public Notice does not apply to the **October 29, 2013** date for filing applications for vacated channels.⁴ The **October 29, 2013** date is for the opening of a filing window; not a filing deadline contemplated by the October 17, 2013 Public Notice. Therefore, channels newly made available in the VCSE by *Public Notice* DA 13-2004 will continue to list **October 29, 2013** as the availability date in the “Channel Availability” field.

¹ See Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau Announces the Opening of a Filing Window for Additional Records Vacated by Sprint Corporation in the 809-815/854-860 MHz Band Segment, *Public Notice*, DA 13-2004 (rel. Sep 30, 2013)(PSHSB).

² *Id.*

³ *Id.* at 3.

⁴ See Revised Filing Deadlines Following Resumption of Normal Commission Operations, *Public Notice*, DA 13-2025 (rel. Oct 17, 2013)(CGA).

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