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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES**

**REGION 24 (MISSOURI) 700 MHZ AND 800 MHZ NPSPAC PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO HOLD MEETINGS**

**PR Docket No. 93-131 and WT Docket 02-378**

The Region 24 (Missouri) 700 and 800 MHz Regional Planning Committees (RPCs)[[1]](#footnote-1) will hold two meetings on Thursday, January 29, 2015, at the Missouri State Highway Patrol General Headquarters, 1510 East Elm Jefferson City, Missouri 65101, 2nd Floor Conference Room. The 700 MHz Regional Planning Committee meeting will convene at 10:00 am and the 800 MHz RPC meeting is expected to convene immediately following adjournment of the 700 MHz meeting. Both meetings are expected to be over by 2:00 pm.

The agenda for the 700 MHz RPC meeting includes the following:

* Welcome - Stephen Devine, Chairperson
* Old business
	+ Approval of meeting minutes from September 23, 2014 (copies of the minutes will be distributed prior to the meeting)
	+ Approval of Agenda
	+ Determination of Quorum
	+ Any old business that needs to be addressed by the Region 24 700 MHz RPC
* New business
	+ Discussion on any 700 MHz applications before the Committee (700 MHz channels are available in each Missouri County as County Allotments)
	+ DVRS implementations across Missouri
	+ Discussion on planned migration of City of Independence, Missouri’s seven site, 700 MHz trunked system (Call sign WQEQ501) from the 700 MHz band to the 800 MHz band; status of license implementation of interoperability channels at 700 MHz and consistency with the FCC’s post 2007 channel plan as well as between regions and states. License needs to be cancelled.
	+ Overview of the FCC's Report and Order addressing the 700 MHz band and response to the NPSTC Petition for Rulemaking from 2008 (the order addresses a number of changes to the 700 MHz band and other issues that must be addressed by the Region 24 700 MHz RPC, the Missouri SIEC, and others); review of all issues in the order followed by a discussion on how to proceed.
	+ Discussion of 700 MHz State License spectrum issues and implementation update, including MOSWIN system expansion, site location and State License build out requirements
	+ Announcement that a 6 channel trunked 700 MHz Site on Wheels (SOW) solution developed by Missouri DPS for the MOSWIN network is available for deployment as needed utilizing common channels that can be implemented in non-state SOW. (For more information, contact MOSWIN Director Bryan Courtney)
	+ Resignation of Chairperson - Stephen T. Devine
	+ Transfer of duties to Vice Chairperson and elections
* Adjournment

The agenda for the 800 MHz RPC meeting includes the following:

* Welcome - Stephen Devine, Chairperson
* Old business
	+ Approval of meeting minutes from September 23, 2014 (copies of the minutes will be distributed prior to the meeting)
	+ Approval of Agenda
* New Business
	+ Discussion on the status of 800 MHz re-banding (FCC 02-55) within Region 24 and how rebanding can impair interoperable communications and channel availability at Missouri’s borders
	+ Discussion on pending applications before the Committee
	+ Discussion on ISSI 8000 implementation in Kansas City between MARRS system and MOSWIN, including lessons learned and best practices resulting from the implementation
	+ Update of Region 24 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee Structure (see FCC Public Notice DA 14-746 dated May 30, 2014 PR Docket 93-131 approving Region 24 800 MHz plan amendment)
	+ Discussion of other issues deemed pertinent by the Region 24 Committee and those in attendance
	+ Open Discussion
	+ Resignation of Chairperson - Stephen T. Devine
	+ Transfer of duties to Vice Chairperson and elections
* Adjournment

Both Region 24 meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 24 may utilize these frequencies. It is essential that eligible public safety agencies in all areas of government, including state, municipality, county, and Native American Tribal be represented in order to ensure that each agency’s future spectrum needs are considered in the allocation process. Administrators who are not oriented in the communications field should delegate someone with this knowledge to attend, participate, and represent their agency’s needs. All interested parties wishing to participate in the planning for the use of public safety spectrum in the 700 MHz and 800 MHz bands within Region 24 should plan to attend.

For further information, please contact Region 24 700 MHz and 800 MHz RPC Chairperson, Stephen Devine at (573) 522-2382 and stephen.devine@dps.mo.gov.

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1. The Region 24 (Missouri) 700 and 800 MHz regional planning areas include the entire state of Missouri. [↑](#footnote-ref-1)