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PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES

REGION 20 (DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, MARYLAND AND NORTHERN VIRGINIA) 700 MHZ AND 800 MHZ NPSPAC PUBLIC SAFETY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE TO HOLD ANNUAL MEETING

General Docket No. 90-7

The Region 20 (District of Columbia, Maryland and Northern Virginia)¹ Regional Planning Committee (RPC) will hold its annual 700 MHz and 800 MHz meetings on Wednesday, August 20, 2014 beginning at 10:00 a.m. These meetings will be held at the Prince George's County Public Safety Communications Center located at 10721 Melford Boulevard in Bowie, Maryland.

Agenda for the 700 MHz RPC Meeting includes the following:

1. Approval of July 31, 2013 Meeting Minutes
2. Introduction of new radio system managers working in Region 20 jurisdictions and welcome to special guests
3. Consideration of applications for 700 MHz spectrum
 - a. Fairfax County request for five frequency pairs for DVRS use
 - b. Request of Harford County for spectrum based upon exchanges of previously approved spectrum for the State of Maryland
 - c. Application of Maryland FiRST for single site trunked spectrum at Miller Avenue, Quirauk, and Sideling Hill
4. Administrative freeze on the use of certain channels
5. Old Business
6. New Business
 - a. Election of Region 20 Officers for 2014-2016
 - b. FCC updates
 - c. Maryland FiRST system's management – Ken Coppage
 - d. Updates on communications issues within Region 20
7. Items for the good of the Committee
8. Adjourn

¹ The Region 20 regional planning area includes the District of Columbia, the entire state of Maryland, and the following jurisdictions in Northern Virginia: Arlington, Fairfax, Fauquier, Loudoun, Prince William and Stafford Counties; and Alexandria, Fairfax, Falls Church, Manassas and Manassas Park Cities.

Immediately following the adjournment of the 700 MHz meeting and a fifteen minute break, the 800 MHz meeting will commence.

Agenda for the 800 MHz RPC meeting includes the following:

1. Approval of July 31, 2013 Meeting Minutes
2. Consideration of applications for 800 MHz spectrum and related actions
 - a. Carroll County application
 - b. Virginia State Police request to operate NPSPAC base stations at itinerant locations in Northern Virginia
 - c. Calvert County request for action
3. Old business - Policy discussion on the use of simulcast technology on NPSPAC 800 MHz channels
4. New business
 - a. Election of officers for 2014-2016
 - b. Items for the good of the Committee
5. Adjourn

Both Region 20 700 MHz and 800 MHz Public Safety RPC meetings are open to the public. All eligible public safety providers in Region 20 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 20 should plan to attend. For further information, please contact:

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