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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES FOR THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING SEEKING COMMENT TO ENABLE RAILROAD POLICE OFFICERS TO ACCESS PUBLIC SAFETY INTEROPERABILITY AND MUTUAL AID CHANNELS**

**PS Docket No. 15-199**

**Comments Due: November 13, 2015**

**Reply Comments Due: November 30, 2015[[1]](#footnote-2)**

On September 1, 2015, the Commission released a *Notice of Proposed Rulemaking* in PS Docket No. 15-199 seeking comment on proposals to amend the Commission’s rules in order to enable railroad police officers to access to public safety interoperability and mutual aid channels.[[2]](#footnote-3) The *NPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 45 and 60 days after publication in the Federal Register.[[3]](#footnote-4)

On September 29, 2015, the Office of the Federal Register published a summary of the *NPRM* and associated comment and reply comment dates.[[4]](#footnote-5) Accordingly, comments must be filed on or before November 13, 2015; and reply comments must be filed on or before November 30, 2015.[[5]](#footnote-6) The *NPRM* sets forth the comment filing instructions.

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1. The due date for reply comments falls on Saturday, November 28, 2015 (*i.e.* 60 days from the date of publication in the Federal Register). However, because the reply comment due date falls on a “holiday” under the Commission’s rules, the reply comment due date will be the next “business day” *i.e.* Monday, November 30, 2015. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 1.4(e). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. Amendment of Part 90 of the Commission’s Rules to Enable Railroad Police Officers to Access Public Safety Interoperability and Mutual Aid Channels, PS Docket No. 15-199, *Notice of Proposed Rule Making*, FCC 15-105 (2015). [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. *Id*. [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. *See* 80 Fed. Reg. 58421 (September 29, 2015). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. *Id*. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)