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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ANNOUNCES UPDATED LIST OF AMATEUR SERVICE CLUB AND MILITARY RECREATION STATION CALL SIGN ADMINISTRATORS

On January 5, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued a *Public Notice* announcing that it would only accept applications for new, modification of, or renewal of amateur service club and military recreation station licenses from a Club Station Call Sign Administrator (CSCSA). Specifically, the *Public Notice* clarified that to obtain a new amateur service club station or military recreation station license, to modify or renew an amateur service club station or military recreation station license, or to modify a radio amateur civil emergency service (RACES) station license, an operator must file its application with one of the CSCSAs identified by the FCC. In this *Public Notice*, we add a fourth CSCSA.

On October 21, 1998, the FCC adopted a *Report and Order* reinstituting the use of volunteer organizations for the purpose of processing applications for amateur radio service club, military recreation, and RACES station licenses.² On January 3, 2000, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) announced that beginning March 1, 2000, we would accept requests from organizations interested in processing applications for amateur service club and military recreation station call signs and that each selected organization would be designated as a CSCSA.³ A CSCSA is an amateur radio organization that has tax-exempt status under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and agrees to provide voluntary, uncompensated and unreimbursed services for processing applications for club, military recreation and RACES station licenses. It must agree to submit applications to the FCC in an electronic batch file, to retain the application information for at least 15 months, and to make the application information available to the FCC upon request. The CSCSA may collect all necessary information in any manner of its choosing, including creating its own forms.

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¹ See Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Announces Amateur Service Club and Military Recreation Station Call Sign Administrators, *Public Notice*, DA 01-36 (WTB Jan. 5, 2001).

² See Biennial Regulatory Review – Amendment of Parts 0, 1, 13, 22, 24, 26, 27, 80, 87, 90, 95, 97, and 101 of the Commission's Rules to Facilitate the Development and Use of the Universal Licensing System in the Wireless Telecommunications Services, *Report and Order*, WT Docket 98-20, 13 FCC Rcd 21027, 21105-06 ¶ 181 (1998), on recon., *Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration*, 14 FCC Rcd 11476 (1999). No new RACES station licenses will be issued and a RACES station license will not be renewed. *See* 47 C.F.R. §§ 97.17(a), 97.21(a)(3)(iii).

³ See FCC Begins Accepting Applications for Amateur Service Club and Military Recreation Station Call Sign Administrators, *Public Notice*, DA 99-3018 (WTB rel. Jan. 3, 2000).

In response to the January 3, 2000 *Public Notice*, we granted requests from three amateur radio organizations asking to be designated as a CSCSA.⁴ On August 5, 2020, the Bureau received a request from Anchorage ARC VEC to become an authorized CSCSA, demonstrating tax-exempt status, compliance with CSCSA requirements, and completion of a pilot autogrant filing project.⁵ Thus, consistent with the procedures outlined in the January 3, 2000 *Public Notice*, we announce the additional designation of Anchorage ARC VEC as a CSCSA. The updated list of organizations authorized as CSCSAs to electronically file applications for these purposes with the FCC is now as follows:

<u>American Radio Relay League, Inc.</u>, 225 Main Street, Newington, CT 06111. Contact: Wayne Irwin (860) 594-0200; world wide web: www.arrl.org; e-mail: clubcalls@arrl.org</u>

<u>Anchorage ARC VEC</u>, P.O. Box 190192, Anchorage, AK 99519. Contact: Brandin S. Hess, (207) 496-8802; world wide web: www.kl7aa.org/vec; e-mail: vec@kl7aa.org

<u>W4VEC Volunteer Examiners Club of America</u>, 3504 Stonehurst Place, High Point, NC 27265. Contact: Jim Williamson, (336) 841-7576; world wide web: <u>www.w4vec.org</u>; e-mail: <u>w4vec@aol.com</u>

<u>W5YI-VEC</u>, P.O. Box 565101, Dallas, TX 75356-5101. Contact: Larry Pollock, (817) 461-6443; world wide web: www.w5yi.org; e-mail: NB5X@w5yi.org

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⁴ See Letter from The American Radio Relay League, Inc. to Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC (filed Mar. 1, 2000); Letter from W4VEC, Volunteer Examiners Club of America to Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC (filed Mar. 1, 2000); Letter from W5YI-VEC, Inc. to Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC (filed Mar. 17, 2000).

⁵ See Letter from Brandin S. Hess, Anchorage ARC VEC to Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, FCC (filed Aug. 5, 2020).