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OFFICE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY EXTENDS REPLY COMMENT DEADLINE FOR USE OF THE 5.850-5.925 GHz BAND PROCEEDING

ET Docket No. 19-138

Revised Reply Comment Date: April 27, 2020

The Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) extends the reply comment deadline on the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, Use of the 5.850-5.925 GHz Band, released on December 17, 2019 (NPRM).¹ The NPRM was published in the Federal Register on February 6, 2020, establishing the comment due date of March 9, 2020, and reply comment due date of April 6, 2020.² On March 20, 2020, the American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials (AASHTO) and the Intelligent Transportation Society of America (ITS America) each sought a 90-day extension of the reply comment filing date.³ AASHTO and ITS America each ask for the extension to review and reply to the extensive record generated by the comments in the midst of the disruptions necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic.

It is the general policy of the Commission that extensions of time shall not be routinely granted.⁴ Under the circumstances presented, we conclude that a limited 21-day extension of the reply comment deadline is warranted in order to develop the record to the fullest extent possible in this proceeding. Interested parties can use this time to develop complete, fully supported reply comments. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended,⁵ and Section 1.46 of the Commission's rules,⁶ we extend the deadline for filing reply comments until April 27, 2020.

For further information, contact Howard Griboff, Office of Engineering and Technology, at (202) 418-0657.

Action by the Acting Chief, Office of Engineering and Technology.

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¹ *Use of the 5.850-5.925 GHz Band*, ET Docket No. 19-138, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, 34 FCC Rcd 12603 (2019) (NPRM).

² Federal Communications Commission, *Use of the 5.850-5.925 GHz Band*, 85 Fed. Reg. 6841 (Feb. 6, 2020).

³ AASHTO, *Extension on Reply Comments*, ET Docket No. 19-138 (filed Mar. 20, 2020); ITS America, *Request for Extension of Reply Comment Deadline*, ET Docket No. 19-138 (filed Mar. 20, 2020). The Alliance for Automotive Innovation (Auto Innovators) filed a letter in support of AASHTO's request. *See* Auto Innovators, *Extension on Reply Comments*, ET Docket No. 19-138 (filed Mar. 20, 2020).

⁴ 47 CFR § 1.46(a).

⁵ 47 U.S.C. § 154(i).

⁶ 47 CFR § 1.46.