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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES**

**COMMENT AND REPLY COMMENT DATES FOR THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON RESILIENT NETWORKS**

**PS Docket No****s. 21-346 and 15-80; ET Docket No. 04-35**

**Comments Due: December 6, 2021**

**Reply Comments Due: January 4, 2022**

On September 30, 2021, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (*NPRM*)seeking comment on proposed rules to improve communications reliability during disasters.[[1]](#footnote-2) The *NPRM* seeks comment on the wireless industry's disaster response framework, the Commission’s network outage reporting rules, and strategies to reduce the impact of power outages on communications networks.[[2]](#footnote-3) The *NPRM* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 and 60 days, respectively, after publication of a summary of the *NPRM* in the Federal Register.[[3]](#footnote-4)

On November 5, 2021, the Office of the Federal Register published a summary of the *NPRM*, including the associated comment and reply comment dates.[[4]](#footnote-5) Accordingly, *NPRM* comments must be filed on or before December 6, 2021 and reply comments must be filed on or before January 4, 2022. The *NPRM* contains the comment filing instructions.[[5]](#footnote-6)

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1. *Resilient Networks*; *Amendments to Part 4 of the Commission’s Rules Concerning Disruptions to Communications*; *New Part 4 of the Commission’s Rules Concerning Disruptions to Communications*,PS Docket Nos. 21-346 and 15‑80; ET Docket No. 04-35, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 21-99 (September 30, 2021). [↑](#footnote-ref-2)
2. *Id.* at 1. [↑](#footnote-ref-3)
3. *Id.* [↑](#footnote-ref-4)
4. 86 FR 61103 (Nov. 5, 2021). [↑](#footnote-ref-5)
5. *NPRM* at 18-19, paras. 45, 47. [↑](#footnote-ref-6)