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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES**

**REGION 20 (DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA, MARYLAND AND NORTHERN VIRGINIA) REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEES TO HOLD 700 MHZ AND 800 MHZ MEETINGS**

**General Docket No. 93-82 and WT Docket 02-378**

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###  The Region 20 Public Safety Regional Planning Committees (RPCs) will hold two consecutive planning meetings on Wednesday, October 19, 2022. Beginning at 10:00 a.m., the 700 MHz RPC will convene at 100 Community Place, Crownsville, Maryland. The 800 MHz RPC meeting will convene immediately following the 700 MHz meeting at the same location.

The agenda for the meetings include:

* Call to order and welcome to all guests
* Approval of April 27, 2022 meeting minutes
* Chairman’s Remarks on issues of importance in Region 20
* Frequency coordination issues – Report on NRPC Technical Seminar
* Region 20 code plug/template and progress on Capital site in Washington
* 4.9 GHz update and importance of FCC licensing stations
* Old business
* Applications for 700/800 NPSPAC applications must come from members and not from consultants and application filing firms.
* New business
* Updates from Statewide Interoperability Coordinators – Charlie Guddemi to provide summary highlights from the DC Interoperability Summit
* New spectrum requests – Loudoun County and Maryland FiRST
* Election of officers for 2023-2025 – Operations Chair to lead
* Discussion topics
* ISSI in the NCR – Charlie Locke
* Important discussion - 800 MHz Nationwide Interoperability Channels – draft changes to Region 20 Plan for use of the 8TAC frequencies
* Other new business and items for the good of the order
* Adjourn: Next Meeting - April 26, 2023

 Both Region 20 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 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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