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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, April 26, 2023. Beginning at 10:00 a.m., the 700 MHz RPC will convene at the Department of Information Technology (1st floor conference rooms A and B), 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 October 19, 2022 meeting minutes
* Old business
	+ Chairman’s Remarks on issues of importance in Region 20
* Update of FCC actions pertaining to 4.9 GHz update
* Update on deployable trunking standardization
* Updates from Statewide Interoperability Coordinators/Maryland FiRST
* New Business
* Discussion topics – Emergency field deployment of communications systems
* High level overview of deployable trunking assets in the NCR – Mike Baltrotsky
* High level overview of FirstNet field deployable assets
* High level overview of Verizon field deployable assets
* High level overview of T-Mobile field deployable assets
* Other Business
* Field demonstrations of technologies (in parking lot)
* Following lunch, the Department of Homeland Security’s Primary Alternative Contingency Emergency (PACE) training will be held starting at 1:00 p.m.
* Adjourn - Next Meeting: October 25, 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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