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CONSUMER AND GOVERNMENTAL AFFAIRS BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT DATES FOR MEP EVENT CODE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING

PS Docket Nos. 15-91, 15-94

Comment Date: May 20, 2024
Reply Comment Date: June 17, 2024

On March 14, 2024, the Federal Communications Commission adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking that sought comment on a proposal to revise part 11 of its Emergency Alert System (EAS) rules to add a new EAS event code for the delivery of critical messages to the public over television and radio about missing and endangered persons ("MEP").[1] On April 18, 2024, a summary of the *MEP Event Code NPRM* was published in the Federal Register.[2]

The NPRM sets deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 days and 60 days after publication in the Federal Register, respectively. Accordingly, comments must be filed by **May 20, 2024**, and reply comments must be filed by **June 17, 2024**.

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[1] *See Wireless Emergency Alerts; Amendments to Part 11 of the Commission's Rules Regarding the Emergency Alert System*, Notice of proposed Rulemaking, PS Docket Nos. 15-91, 15-94, FCC 24-30, (rel. Mar. 15, 2024) (*MEP Event Code NPRM*).

[2] Federal Communications Commission, The Emergency Alert System and Wireless Emergency Alerts, Proposed Rule, 89 Fed. Reg. 27699 (Apr. 18, 2024).