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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT
AND REPLY COMMENT DATES FOR FURTHER NOTICE OF PROPOSED
RULEMAKING ON IMPROVING NEXT GENERATION 911 (NG911), AND
EFFECTIVE DATE OF ADOPTED NG911 RELIABILITY RULES**

PS Docket Nos. 21-479, 13-75

Comments Due: August 10, 2026

Reply Comments Due: September 8, 2026

On June 26, 2026, the Federal Communications Commission released a *Second Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (Order and Further Notice)* adopting rules to ensure Next Generation 911 (NG911) network reliability and interoperability, and proposing further changes to the rules to ensure interoperability and accessibility of NG911 networks.¹

Comment and Reply Comment Dates. On July 10, 2026, the Office of the Federal Register published a summary of the *Further Notice*, including the associated comment and reply comment dates.² The *Further Notice* set deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 and 60 days, respectively, after publication of a summary of the *Further Notice* in the Federal Register.³ Accordingly, comments must be filed on or before August 10, 2026, and reply comments must be filed on or before September 8, 2026. The *Further Notice* contains the comment filing instructions.⁴

Effective Date of Rules. On July 10, 2026, the Office of the Federal Register also published a summary of the *Order*.⁵ Accordingly, the rules adopted in the *Order* will take effect on August 10, 2026.⁶

Compliance Dates. Section 9.20 of the rules contains new or modified information collection requirements that are subject to review by the Office of Management and Budget (OMB).⁷ Compliance

¹ *Facilitating Implementation of Next Generation 911 Services (NG911), Improving 911 Reliability*, PS Docket Nos. 21-479, 13-75, Second Report and Order and Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 26-39 (June 26, 2026), <https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-modernizes-next-generation-911-reliability-and-interoperability-0> (*Order and Further Notice*).

² See 91 Fed. Reg. 42699 (July 10, 2026).

³ *Order and Further Notice* at 1.

⁴ *Order and Further Notice* at 82, para. 208.

⁵ See 91 Fed. Reg. 42794 (July 10, 2026).

⁶ *Order and Further Notice* at 82-83, para. 211.

⁷ *Id.*

with the newly adopted rules, including the IP reliability benchmarks, will not be required for covered 911 service providers (CSPs) until 18 months after the Commission issues a public notice announcing approval by OMB,⁸ with the exception of filing initial attestations for certain CSPs, which will be required six months after the public notice announcing approval by OMB.⁹ No CSPs will be required to file reliability certifications or interoperability reports until 18 months after the Commission issues the public notice announcing approval by OMB.¹⁰ The Commission's public notice will announce those compliance dates.

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⁸ *Id.* at 62, para. 157 (“All IP-based CSPs will have 18 months from the public notice date to come into compliance with the updated reliability benchmarks for physical diversity, operational integrity, and network monitoring, or to implement alternative measures.”).

⁹ *Id.* (“Newly designated CSPs will have six months from the public notice date to file an attestation with the Commission identifying themselves as CSPs.”).

¹⁰ *Id.* at 62-63, para. 157 (“CSPs covered by the 2013 rules will continue to be subject to the reliability benchmarks established under those rules. CSPs that have previously filed annual certifications under the 2013 rules will not be required to file additional annual certifications during the transition period. All CSPs will file their initial reliability certifications and interoperability reports pursuant to the updated rules 18 months from the public notice date.”).