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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION

WASHINGTON (REGION 43) 800 MHz REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE RECEIVES APPROVAL FOR AMENDMENT TO ITS PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

(PR DOCKET NO. 91-270)

By this *Public Notice*, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau (Bureau) announces that the Region 43 (Washington)¹ 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee's proposal to amend the Washington Public Safety Plan is approved. On March 27, 2006, the Region 43 (Washington) 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee filed an amendment² to its Public Safety Plan (Plan) to replace the Committee's initial membership representation structure of six membership zones³ with the following membership structure:

- Voting members shall consist of one official from any non-federal single agency engaged in public safety and eligible to hold a license under 47 C.F.R. § 90.20. Voting members shall be designated in writing to the chair by an official from the eligible agency who is at least one-level senior in the reporting structure of an agency to the designated voting member. A single agency shall be allowed no more than one vote for each distinct eligible category (e.g., police, fire, EMS, highway) within the agency's organization of political jurisdiction. In voting any issue, the individual must identify himself/herself, the agency and eligibility category which he or she represents.
- Non-voting members are all others interested in furthering the goals of public safety communications, including vendor representatives.

¹ Region 43 (Washington) includes the entire state of Washington.

² See Letter dated March 27, 2006, from Steve Taylor, Chairperson, NPSPAC Region 43 Regional Planning Committee, to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC (submitting Plan Amendment on behalf of the Region 43 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee) (Plan Amendment).

³ Region 43 was originally divided into six (6) membership zones, with one representative from each zone (except Zone 2, which had three representatives due to its high population) elected by eligible licensees in the Zone to participate in the regional review committee. The counties included in each zone are as follows: Zone 1 – Whatcom, Skagit, Island and San Juan Counties; Zone 2 – Snohomish, King, Kitsap, Thurston and Pierce Counties; Zone 3 – Clallam, Jefferson, Mason, Grays Harbor, Cowiiltz, Lewis Pacific, Wahkiakum, Clark and Skamania Counties; Zone 4 – Kittitas, Grant, Douglas, Chelan and Okanogan Counties; Zone 5 – Yakima, Klickitat, Benton, Franklin, Walla Walla, Columbia, Garfield and Asotin Counties; and Zone 6 – Ferry, Stevens, Pend Oreille, Spokane, Lincoln, Adams and Whitman Counties.

The proposed Plan Amendment was reviewed by, and letters of concurrence obtained from, Region 39's adjacent regions, Region 12 (Idaho) and Region 35 (Oregon).

In accordance with the National Public Safety Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of public safety radio frequency spectrum in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands.⁴ The National Plan specifies special policies and procedures governing the Public Safety Pool.⁵ Regional plans must include an explanation of how the plan has been coordinated with adjacent regions. For modifications, the regional chair may recommend, in writing, changes to a regional plan, and the Commission will give public notice soliciting comment on any such proposals and issue appropriate orders upon review.⁶ The Public Safety Plan for Region 43, which was adopted by the Commission on November 15, 1991, governs the use of frequency assignments in the 821-824/866-869 MHz within the state of Washington.⁷

On June 27, 2006, the Region 43 Plan Amendment was placed on *Public Notice* for comment.⁸ We received no comments on the Plan Amendment. We have reviewed the Plan Amendment submitted by Region 43, and conclude, based on the information before us, that it complies with FCC rules and policies. Accordingly, pursuant to Section 4(i) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. § 154(i), and Section 1.102(b) of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.102(b), the Region 43 (Washington) 800 MHz Public Safety Plan Amendment is APPROVED.

This action is taken under delegated authority pursuant to Sections 0.131 and 0.331 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 0.131, 0.331.

Action by the Chief, Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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⁴ See Development and Implementation of a Public Safety National Plan and Amendment to Part 90 to Establish Service Rules and Technical Standards for Use of the 821-824/866-869 MHz Bands by the Public Safety Services, *Report and Order*, Gen. Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987) (*National Plan Report and Order*).

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 90.16, Public Safety National Plan.

⁶ See *National Plan Report and Order*, 3 FCC Rcd at 911 ¶ 57.

⁷ See In the Matter of Washington Public Safety Plan, *Order*, PR Docket 91-270, 6 FCC Rcd 7017 (PRB/OET 1991); In the Matter of Washington Public Safety Plan, *Order*, PR Docket 91-270, 9 FCC Rcd 4473 (PRB LMWD/SED 1994).

⁸ See Comments Invited on Washington (Region 43) Public Safety Plan Amendment, *Public Notice*, PR. Docket No. 91-270, DA 06-1320 (WTB PSCID rel. June 27, 2006). Comments were due July 12, 2006.



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June 27, 2006

WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION

COMMENTS INVITED ON WASHINGTON (REGION 43) 800 MHz REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN AMENDMENT

(PR DOCKET NO. 91-270)

Comment Date: July 12, 2006

On March 27, 2006, the Region 43 (Washington)¹ 800 MHz Regional Planning Committee submitted a proposed Plan Amendment,² which would replace the Committee's membership representation structure of six membership zones (three zones west of the Cascade Mountains and three zones east of the Cascade Mountains).³ The Committee proposes to replace the zone concept with the following membership structure:

- Voting members shall consist of one official from any non-federal single agency engaged in public safety and eligible to hold a license under 47 C.F.R § 90.20. Voting members shall be designated in writing to the chair by an official from the eligible agency who is at least one-level senior in the reporting structure of an agency to the designated voting member. A single agency shall be allowed no more than one vote for each distinct eligible category (e.g., police, fire, EMS, highway) within the agency's organization of political jurisdiction. In voting any issue, the individual must identify himself/herself, the agency and eligibility

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The proposed Plan Amendment was reviewed by, and letters of concurrence obtained from, Region 39's adjacent regions, Region 12 (Idaho) and Region 35 (Oregon).

In accordance with the National Public Safety Plan, each region is responsible for planning its use of public safety radio frequency spectrum in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands.⁴ The National Plan specifies special policies and procedures governing the Public Safety Pool.⁵ Regional plans must include an explanation of how the plan has been coordinated with adjacent regions. For modifications, the regional chair may recommend, in writing, changes to a regional plan, and the Commission will give public notice soliciting comment on any such proposals and issue appropriate orders upon review.⁶ The Public Safety Plan for Region 43, which was adopted by the Commission on November 15, 1991, governs the use of frequency assignments in the 821-824/866-869 MHz within the state of Washington.⁷

Prior to taking action on the Region 43 Plan Amendment, by this *Public Notice*, we solicit comments on the Plan Amendment. Pursuant to Sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments on or before **August 12, 2006**. All comments should reference **PR Docket 91-270**, and should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., TW-A325, Washington, D.C. 20554. This address for FCC locations should be used only for documents filed by United States Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail. Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered documents for the Commission's Secretary are accepted only by the Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E. Other messenger-delivered documents, including documents sent by overnight mail (other than United States Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) should be addressed for delivery to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. See FCC Announces a New Filing Location for Paper Documents and a New Fax Number for General Correspondence, *Public Notice*, 16 FCC Rcd 22165 (2001).

The Plan Amendment can be accessed electronically via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), <http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/>.⁸ Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to ecfs@fcc.gov, and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Filings and comments are also available for public inspection and copying during regular business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, DC, 20554. Copies also may be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554. Customers may

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⁸ See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998).

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For further information, contact Jeannie Benfaida, of the Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Division of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0694 (voice), (202) 418-7233 (TTY), or Jeannie.Benfaida@fcc.gov (email).

Action by the Chief, Public Safety and Critical Infrastructure Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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(DA 94-649)

Comments Invited on Washington Public Safety Plan Amendment
Monday, June 27, 1994

*32961 June 20, 1994.

On November 15, 1991, the Commission accepted the Public Safety Plan for Washington (Region 43). On April 4, 1994, Region 43 submitted a proposed amendment to its plan would reformat the Plan, add two yearly filing windows and further clarify the application review procedures. Because the proposed amendment is a major change to the Region 43 plan, the Commission is soliciting comments from the public before taking action. (See Report and Order, General Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987), at paragraph 57.)

Interested parties may file comments to the proposed amendment on or before July 28, 1994 and reply comments on or before August 12, 1994. Commenters should send an original and five copies of comments to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, DC 20554 and should clearly identify them as submissions to PR Docket 91-270 Washington-Public Safety Region 43.

Questions regarding this public notice may be directed to Betty Woolford, Private Radio Bureau, (202) 632-6497 or Ray LaForge, Office of Engineering and Technology, (202) 653-8112.

Federal Communications Commission.

William F. Caton,

Acting Secretary.

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Order

**1 IN THE MATTER OF WASHINGTON PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

DA 91-1437

PR Docket No. 91-270

Adopted: November 15, 1991

Released: November 29, 1991

*7017 By the Chief, Private Radio Bureau and the Chief Engineer:

1. On August 21, 1991, Region 43 (Washington) submitted its public safety plan to the Commission for review. The plan sets forth the guidelines to be followed in allotting spectrum to meet current and future mobile communications requirements of the public safety and special emergency entities operating in Washington.

2. The Washington plan was placed on Public Notice for comments on September 12, 1991, 56 FR 47213 (September 18, 1991). The Commission received no comments in this proceeding.

3. We have reviewed the plan submitted for Washington and find that it conforms with the National Public Safety Plan. The plan includes all the necessary elements specified in the Report and Order in Gen. Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCCRcd 905 (1987), and satisfactorily provides for the current and projected mobile communications requirements of the public safety and special emergency entities in Washington.

4. Therefore, we accept the Washington Public Safety Radio Plan. Furthermore, licensing of the 821-824/866-869 MHz band in Washington may commence immediately.

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- H** 1 Comments Invited on Washington Public Safety Plan, 1991 WL 645385, 6 F.C.C.R. 5514, 6 FCC Rcd. 5514 (F.C.C. Sep 12, 1991) (NO. DA 91-1152)
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Related References

- H** 4 Comments Invited on Washington Public Safety Plan Amendment, 1992 WL 695445, 9 F.C.C.R. 3038, 7 FCC Rcd. 3038 (F.C.C. Jun 20, 1992) (NO. DA 94-649)
- H** 5 WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION, 2006 WL 1751031, 21 F.C.C.R. 6920, 21 FCC Rcd. 6920 (F.C.C. Jun 27, 2006) (NO. DA06-1320, PR91-270)
- H** 6 WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION, 2006 WL 2164654, 21 F.C.C.R. 8707, 21 FCC Rcd. 8707 (F.C.C. Aug 01, 2006) (NO. DA06-1562, PR91-270)



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COMMENTS INVITED ON WASHINGTON PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN

The Commission has received the public safety radio communications plan for Washington (Region 43).

In accordance with the Commission's Report and Order in General Docket No. 87-112 implementing the Public Safety National Plan, interested parties may file comments on or before **October 25, 1991** and reply comments on or before **November 12, 1991**. (See Report and Order, General Docket No. 87-112, 3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987), at paragraph 54.)

Commenters should send an original and five copies of comments to the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554 and should clearly identify them as submissions to **PR Docket 91-270 Washington-Public Safety Region 43**.

Questions regarding this public notice may be directed to Betty Woolford, Private Radio Bureau, (202) 632-6497 or Ray LaForge, Office of Engineering and Technology, (202) 653-8112.

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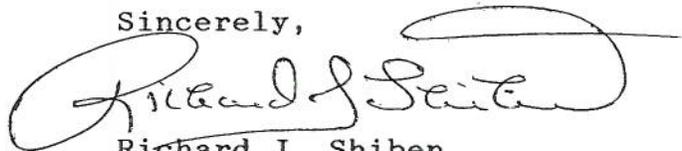
Dear Mr. Hull:

On November 24, 1987, the Commission adopted a Report and Order (Gen. Docket 87-112) that established public safety planning regions and directed regional planning committees to develop plans for use of the 821-824/866-869 MHz public safety spectrum. In that Report and Order, the Commission indicated that it expects all regional plans to be filed as of February 1, 1993, five years from the effective date of the Report and Order.

This letter is a reminder to let you know that the plan for your region should be submitted to the Commission by February 1, 1993. If no plan is submitted for your region by that date the Commission will move to open the 821-824/866-869 spectrum in your region to other Part 90 eligibles.

If you have any questions, please contact Betty Woolford in the Policy and Planning Branch, Private Radio Bureau at (202) 632-6497.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Shibben
Chief, Land Mobile and
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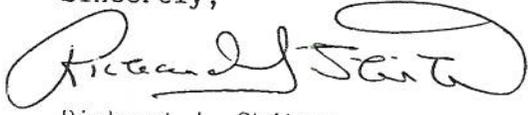
Dear Mr. Hull:

On December 29, 1988, I sent you a letter stating that bilateral negotiations were in progress concerning use of the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands within 140 kilometers (87 miles) of the U.S./Canadian border.

I am happy to inform you that on September 17, 1990, an Arrangement was signed by the Department of Communications of Canada (DOC) and the Federal - Communications Commission of the United States of America concerning use of those bands. On October 5, 1990, my Bureau released an Order implementing the Arrangement. I am enclosing a copy of that Order. As stated in paragraph 3, the 235 channels in the 821-824/866-869 MHz bands will be available for licensing as soon as the Order appears in the Federal Register.

Should you have any questions concerning your regional plan formulation or amendment, please contact Maureen Cesaitis of my staff. Her telephone number is 202-632-6497.

Sincerely,



Richard J. Shiblen
Chief, Land Mobile
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