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In the Matter of

FCC Regional Planning Committee (RPC) 19

Public-Safety Communications Plan for the 769- to 775-MHz and 799- to 805-MHz bands

WT Docket No. 02-378

PSHS Docket No. 06-229

FCC Docket No. 07-132

Dear Mr. Pohorilak:

On January 3, 2008, Regional Planning Committee (RPC) 19 (New England) submitted its amended public-safety communications plan governing the General Use Channels in the 769- to 775-MHz and 799-to 805-MHz bands to RPC 8 for re-concurrence.

Having reviewed the amended plan, RPC 8 hereby sends this letter to serve as the official, written reconcurrence for the RPC 19 700-MHz plan.

Respectfully,

William Gardner, Chairman

FCC RPC 8 700-MHz and 800-MHz NPSPAC Planning Committees

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The New England 700 MHz Committee Region 19

January 3, 2008

Mr. David Cook, Chairman Region 30 700 MHz Committee New York State Office of Technology State Capitol, ESP PO Box 2062 Albany, NY 12220-0062

Re: Amended New England Region 19 700 MHz Plan

Dear Mr. Cook:

On July 31, 2007, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) adopted a *Second*, *Report and Order* revising the rules governing wireless licenses in the 700 MHz band. The FCC designated the lower half of the 700 MHz public safety band for broadband communications (763-768/793-798 MHz) and consolidated existing narrowband allocations in the upper half of the public safety 700 MHz band (769-775/799-805 MHz). In revising the band plan for the public safety 700 MHz band, the FCC noted that consolidating the narrowband channels in the upper part of the band will impact approved and pending 700 MHz regional planning committee (RPC) plans (*i.e.* requiring existing plans to be amended). The Commission required RPCs with approved plans or plans on file to submit amended plans consistent with the decisions adopted in the *Second Report and Order* by November 23, 2007. On November 9, 2007, the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) extended the deadline for RPCs to submit an amended plan.

Region 19 is awaiting the availability of the revised CAPRAD narrowband 700MHz frequency database to complete its amended plan. Availability of the revised CAPRAD will not be completed until late February 2008. The Bureau affirms, "if a region is relying on CAPRAD for its initial frequency and channel sort, and thus believes it cannot produce its consolidated narrowband 700 MHz frequency and channel allocation tables by January 31, 2008, the region should:

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The New England **700 MHz Committee** Region 19

- submit a revised plan by January 31, 2008, as consistent with the requirements of the Second Report and Order as possible, and
- include a request for a temporary, limited waiver of Sections 90.527(a)(3) and (6),7 and any other relevant rules for which the region requires a waiver, explaining that the region will supplement its January 31, 2008, submission as soon as possible after the necessary CAPRAD updates are completed. Such waivers must comport with the Commission's general waiver standards under Section 1.925 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.925, and must be adequately supported.

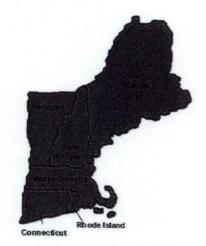
The Region 19 amended Plan was approved by unanimous vote by committee members at the December 11, 2007 quarterly meeting. Region 19 at this time is requesting adjacent Regions 8 and 30 to review and provide concurrence to the amended plan.

The Bureau's guidelines recommend that adjacent regions should initially acknowledge receipt of a region's request and provide a timeframe for when a region can reasonably expect a reply to a request for concurrence. An adjacent region receiving requests from regions for review and concurrence may electronically poll its membership for review and approval of draft plan or plan amendments. Regions missing letters of concurrence should:

- submit a revised plan by January 31, 2008, as consistent with the requirements of the Second Report and Order as possible,
- include at a minimum evidence (correspondence or email) of distribution to the adjacent regional chair(s), and

Region 19 intends to meet the amended plan filing date requirement as established by the Bureau. Region 19 will request for a temporary, limited waiver of the revised CAPRAD narrowband 700MHz frequency database submission. Attached is the amended 700MHz Plan for New England Region 19. We are seeking your Region's approval of this Plan so that we may submit it to the FCC by January 31, 2008. Please review and respond by January 28, 2008.

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New England Region 19 700MHz

Committee Chairman

Cc: Mr. Robert F. Schlieman, Region 30 700MHz Vice-Chairman Mr. Travis LePage, Region 30 700MHz Administrator

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