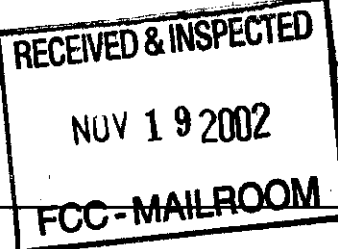




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WIRELESS TELECOMMUNICATIONS BUREAU ACTION

COMMENTS INVITED ON NEW ENGLAND AREA (REGION 19) PUBLIC SAFETY PLAN AMENDMENT (GEN. DOCKET NO. 90-53)

Comment Date: December 9, 2002

Reply Date: December 24, 2002

On October 7, 2002, the Region 19 (New England) 800 MHz Radio Planning Committee submitted a proposed amendment to its Public Safety Plan (Plan) that would revise the current channel allotments to reflect changes made as a result of its ninth window application process. The Region subsequently submitted a proposal on October 8, 2002 to amend its Plan that would further revise the Region's channel allotments to reflect changes made as a result of its tenth window application process. The requested amendments contained in Region 19's "WINDOW NINE CHANNEL ALLOCATIONS," attached as Appendix 1, propose modification of the Region's frequency allocation tables to provide new assignments for the Massachusetts State Police, Massachusetts Department of Corrections, Massachusetts - **Norfolk** County Jail, Massachusetts - City of Boston, and Massachusetts - Suffolk County Jail. The requested amendments contained in Region 19's "WINDOW TEN CHANNEL ALLOCATIONS," attached as Appendix 2, propose modification of the Region's frequency allocation tables to provide new assignments for the Westfield, Massachusetts Police Department; South Hadley, Massachusetts Police Department; Massachusetts Fire Services; and Dayville, Connecticut Fire District.

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.¹ The Public Safety Plan for Region 19, which was adopted by the Commission on April 26, 1990, governs the use of frequency assignments in the 821-824/866-869 MHz within the New England area.²

The Commission is soliciting comments from the public before taking action on this

¹ 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*, GN Docket No. 87-112.3 FCC Rcd 905 (1987).

² New England Area Public Safety Plan, Order, General Docket 90-53, 5 **FCC**Rcd 2844 (1990).

proposed plan amendment. The full text of the Region **19** Plan Amendment Request, comments and reply comments, will be available for inspection and duplication during the regular business hours in the Reference Information Center (**RIC**) of the Consumer Information Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, **445 12th** Street, S.W., Room **CY-A257**, Washington, DC **20554**. Copies may also be purchased from the Commission's duplicating contractor, Qualex International (Qualex), which is located at Portals **II**, **445 12th** Street, SW, Room **CY-B402**, Washington, DC, **20554**. Qualex may be reached by telephone at **(202) 863-2893**, facsimile at **(202) 863-2898**, or via email at qualexint@aol.com. For further information regarding the public reference file for this Request, contact Maria Ringold, Chief, Wireless Branch, RIC, **(202) 418-1355**. The Region **19** Amendment Requests may also be viewed on-line by accessing the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) and initiating a search of the records for General Docket Number **90-53**.

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 the Region **19** Plan Amendment Requests on or before December **9, 2002**, and reply comments on or before December **24, 2002**. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, **63 Fed. Reg. 24121 (1998)**. Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. 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." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply. Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appear in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail).

The Commission's contractor, Vistronix, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary 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 the building.

- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to **9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743**.

-U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority **Mail** should be addressed to 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, D.C. 20554.

-All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

All comments should reference General Docket No. 90-53, including the DA number of this Public Notice, and should be filed with the Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission. A copy of each filing should be sent to (1) Qualex International, Inc., Portals II, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room CY-B402, Washington, D.C. 20554, (202) 863-2893; (2) Joy Alford, Federal Communications Commission, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Policy and Rules Branch, 445 12th Street, S.W., Room 4-B411, Washington, D.C. 20554; and (3) Maria Ringold, Federal Communications Commission, Consumer Information Bureau, Reference Information Center, 445 12th Street, S.W. Room CY-B529, Washington, D.C. 20554.³

For further information, contact Ms. Joy Alford, of the Policy and Rules Branch of the Public Safety and Private Wireless Division of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau at (202) 418-0694, TTY (202) 418-7233, or via e-mail to jalford@fcc.gov.

By the Chief, Public Safety and Private Wireless Division, Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

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³ The address for FCC locations should be used only for documents filed by United States Postal Service. Documents delivered by Federal Express or any other express mail service should be addressed to the relevant person or office at the Federal Communications Commission, 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. Hand-delivered or messenger-delivered documents are accepted only at our new location at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, N.E., Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. **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).

Amendment to the Regional Public Safety Plan, Docket 90-53, New England Area - Region 19

APPENDIX 1												
Channel Allocation for Region 19 Ninth Window												
Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Agency Name	Latitude	Longitude		Ground Elevation AMSL (Feet)	Power Out (Watts)	ERP (Watts)	Ant. Tip (Feet)	Ant. Gain (db)	Ant. Tilt (degrees)	Antenna Direction
667	821/866.8750	Mass State Police	42-30-07	73-18-57	*	2211	100	195	110	9	0	100
692	822/867.2125	Mass State Police	42-36-00	73-01-40	*	2473	100	162	81	8	0	100
710	822/867.4375	Mass State Police	42-37-25	73-15-43	*	2428	50	52	164	6	0	90
716	822/867.5375	Mass State Police	42-28-29	72-58-05	*	2080	100	96	50	6	0	0
759	823/868.1000	Mass State Police	42-26-42	72-48-06	*	1414	100	81	188	6	0	0
761	823/868.1250	Mass State Police	42-36-33	72-43-03	*	1420	100	209	70	9	0	270
778	823/868.3375	Mass State Police	42-41-54	73-03-53	*	2066	100	186	110	9	0	150
		Mass State Police	42-41-28	72-49-43	*	1657	100	93	110	6	0	0
		Mass State Police	42-34-20	72-38-42	*	978	100	91	130	6	0	0
766	823/868.1875	Mass Dept. of Corrections	42-06-28	71-17-14	*	279	100	98	148	3	0	0
795	823/868.5500	Mass Dept. of Corrections	42-15-59	71-24-25	*	55	100	95	20	3	0	0
822	823/868.8875	Mass Dept. of Corrections	42-27-56	71-23-47	*	141	100	95	49	3	0	0
		Mass Dept. of Corrections	42-31-37	71-39-23	*	440	100	98	36	3	0	0
		Mass Dept. of Corrections	42-34-53	71-58-56	*	1161	100	95	59	3	0	0
		Mass Dept. of Corrections	41-56-36	71-57-06	*	92	75	163	132	3	0	0
670	821/866.9125	Mass - Norfolk County Jail	42-15-39	71-12-31		320	100	105	30	3	0	0
764	823/868.1625	Mass - Norfolk County Jail										
748	822/867.9375	Mass - City of Boston	42-21-15	71-03-17	*	6	70	279	624	9	0	0
807	823/868.7000	Mass - City of Boston	42-20-56	71-08-46	*	36	70	120	129	6	0	0
		Mass - City of Boston	42-16-24	71-08-40	*	104	70	120	106	6	0	0
651	821/866.6750	Mass - Suffolk County Jail	42-21-57	71-04-04		19	100	75	120	3	0	0
788	823/868.4625	Mass - Suffolk County Jail										
		* Allocated channels to be used at all sites										

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APPENDIX 2											
Channel Allocation for Region 19 Tenth Window											
Channel	Frequency (MHz)	Agency Name	Latitude	Longitude	Ground Elevation AMSL (Feet)	Power Out (Watts)	ERP (Watts)	Ant. Tip (Feet)	Ant. Gain (db)	Ant. Tilt (degrees)	Antenna Direction
771	823/868.2500	Westfield, MA Police Dept	42-08-44	72-44-31	210	90	212	170	7.5	0	0
742	822/867.8625	South Hadley, MA Police Dept	42-18-05	72-33-34	280	75	125	121	3	1	0
			42-14-41	72-35-57	255	75	125	144	3	1	0
697	822/867.2750	Massachusetts Fire Services	State of Mass.		Mobile Maximum = 35W						
739	822/867.8250				Portable Maximum = 5W						
830	823/868.9875										
659	821/866.7750	Dayville, CT Fire District	Dayville, CT		Mobile Maximum = 35W						
					Portable Maximum = 5W						
		* Allocated channel(s) to be used at all sites									