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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Telecommunications and Information Administration**

**Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee Meeting**

**AGENCY:** National Telecommunications and Information Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of Open Meeting.

**SUMMARY:** This notice announces a public meeting of the Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee (Committee). The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information on spectrum management policy matters.

**DATE:** The meeting will be held on July 24, 2012, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Mountain Daylight Savings Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences, Conference Room 1107, 325 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80305-3328. Public comments may be mailed to Commerce Spectrum Management Advisory Committee, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Room 4099, Washington, DC 20230 or emailed to [spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Bruce M. Washington, Designated Federal Officer, at (202) 482-6415 or [BWashington@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:BWashington@ntia.doc.gov); and/or visit NTIA's web site at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/advisory/spectrum>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

*Background:* The Committee provides advice to the Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information on needed reforms to domestic spectrum policies and management in order to: license radio frequencies in a way that maximize their public benefits; keep wireless networks open to innovation as possible; and make wireless services available to all Americans (*See* charter, at [http://www.ntia.doc.gov/advisory/spectrum/csmac\\_charter.html](http://www.ntia.doc.gov/advisory/spectrum/csmac_charter.html)). This Committee is subject to the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA), 5 U.S.C. App. 2, and is consistent with the National Telecommunications and Information Administration Act, 47 U.S.C. § 904(b). The Committee functions solely as an advisory body in compliance with the FACA. For more information about the Committee visit:

<http://www.ntia.doc.gov/advisory/spectrum>.

*Matters to Be Considered:* The Committee will receive recommendations from subcommittees on matters related to the accomplishment of the President's ten-year goal of identifying 500 megahertz of radio spectrum for wireless broadband. The Sharing, Unlicensed, and Spectrum Management Improvements Subcommittees will report on the status of their determinations and findings and facilitate discussion on recommended next steps. In addition, the Committee will receive reports from designated committee members on the progress of the following five working groups to repurpose the 1695-1710 MHz and 1755-1850 MHz bands for wireless broadband:

1. **WG1** 1695-1710 MHz Weather Satellite Receive Earth Stations,
2. **WG2** 1755-1850 MHz Law Enforcement Surveillance and other short-range fixed,
3. **WG3** 1755-1850 MHz Satellite Control Links and Electronic Warfare,
4. **WG4** 1755-1850 MHz Fixed Point-to-Point and Tactical Radio Relay, and
5. **WG5** 1755-1850 MHz Airborne Operations.

NTIA will post a detailed agenda on its website, <http://www.ntia.doc.gov>, prior to the meeting. To the extent that the meeting time and agenda permit, any member of the public may speak to or otherwise address the advisory committee regarding agenda items. During the portion of the meeting when the public may make an oral presentation, speakers may address only matters the subject of which are on the agenda.

*Time and Date:* The meeting will be held on July 24, 2012, from 1:30 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., Mountain Daylight Savings Time. The times and the agenda topics are subject to change. The meeting may be webcast or made available via audio link. Please refer to NTIA's web site, <http://www.ntia.doc.gov>, for the most up-to-date meeting agenda and access information.

*Place:* The meeting will be held at the Institute for Telecommunication Sciences, Conference Room 1107, 325 Broadway, Boulder, CO 80305-3328. The meeting will be open to the public and press on a first-come, first-served basis. Space is limited. The public meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Individuals requiring accommodations, such as sign language interpretation or other ancillary aids, are asked to notify Mr. Washington, at (202) 482-6415 or [BWashington@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:BWashington@ntia.doc.gov), at least seven (7) business days before the meeting. In order to gain access to the site (ITS), all attendees are required to have two forms of identification (one MUST include a photo). Details regarding access to the facility are available at [http://www.boulder.nist.gov/police/Foreign\\_Nationals.html](http://www.boulder.nist.gov/police/Foreign_Nationals.html).

*Status:* Interested parties are invited to attend and to submit written comments to the Committee at any time before or after the meeting. Parties wishing to submit written comments for consideration by the Committee in advance of this meeting must send them to NTIA's Washington, D.C. office at the above-listed address and comments must be received by close of business on July 17, 2012, to provide sufficient time for review. Comments received after July

17, 2011, will be distributed to the Committee, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting. Paper submissions must also include a compact disc (CD) in HTML, ASCII, Word or WordPerfect format. CDs must be labeled with the name and organizational affiliation of the filer, and the specified name of the word processing program and version used to create the document. Alternatively, comments may be submitted electronically to [spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov](mailto:spectrumadvisory@ntia.doc.gov). Comments provided via electronic mail also may be submitted in one or more of the formats specified above.

*Records:* NTIA maintains records of all Committee proceedings. Committee records are available for public inspection at the U.S. Department of Commerce, National Telecommunications and Information Administration, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230. Documents including the Committee's charter, membership list, agendas, minutes, and any reports are available on NTIA's Committee web page at <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/advisory/spectrum>.

Dated: \_\_ June 12, 2012 \_\_\_\_\_.

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