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**PUBLIC SAFETY AND HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES COMMENT  
AND REPLY COMMENT DATES FOR NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING ON  
PROCEDURES FOR COMMISSION REVIEW OF STATE OPT-OUT REQUESTS  
FROM THE FIRSTNET RADIO ACCESS NETWORK**

**PS Docket No. 16-269**

**Comment Date: October 21, 2016**

**Reply Comment Date: November 21, 2016**

On August 26, 2016, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) adopted a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (NPRM) seeking comment on proposed procedures for administering the state opt-out process as provided under the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012,<sup>1</sup> as well as on implementation of the specific statutory standards by which the Commission is obligated to evaluate state opt-out applications.<sup>2</sup> The NPRM sets deadlines for filing comments and reply comments at 30 and 60 days after publication in the Federal Register.<sup>3</sup>

On September 21, 2016, a summary of the NPRM was published in the Federal Register.<sup>4</sup> Accordingly, comments will be due on or before October 21, 2016, and reply comments on or before November 21, 2016. Complete comment filing instructions are set forth in the NPRM and Federal Register.

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<sup>1</sup> See Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, Pub. L. No. 112-96, 126 Stat. 156 §§ 6001-6303, 6413 (codified at 47 U.S.C. §§ 1401-1443, 1457).

<sup>2</sup> *Procedures for Commission Review of State Opt-Out Requests from the FirstNet Radio Access Network*, PS Docket No. 16-269, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 16-117 (Aug. 26, 2016).

<sup>3</sup> *Id.*

<sup>4</sup> *Procedures for Commission Review of State Opt-Out Requests from the FirstNet Radio Access Network*, 81 FR 64825 (September 21, 2016).