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## MEDIA BUREAU ACTION

## COMMENT SOUGHT ON ADICORP'S PETITION FOR RULEMAKING ON EMERGENCY VEHICLE SIGNALING SERVICE

Comments Due: February 12, 2004 Reply Comments Due: March 3, 2004

On November 19, 2003, Alert Devices International Corporation ("ADiCorp") filed a Petition for Rulemaking with the Commission pursuant to Section 1.401 of the Commission's rules. This Notice solicits comment on ADiCorp's Petition. The Petition asks the Commission to make changes to Parts 2 and 90 of the Commission's rules to permit use of an Emergency Vehicle Signaling Service ("EVSS"). The purpose of EVSS is to alert motorists that a public safety vehicle is engaged in a nearby emergency response situation. EVSS involves the installation of a device in the emergency vehicle that transmits a warning directly from the public safety vehicle to activated AM and FM car radios. ADiCorp asserts that a significant number of people have died or have been injured due to vehicular collisions in the path of emergency vehicles that had flashing lights or sirens activated. The Petition agues that these traditional warning mechanisms are no longer sufficient to ensure the public safety and urges the Commission to adopt the proposed EVSS.

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 **February 12, 2004** and reply comments on or before **March 3, 2004**. 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 <a href="http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/">http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/</a>. 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

fling instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to <a href="ecfs@fcc.gov">ecfs@fcc.gov</a>, 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 appears 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, Natek, 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.
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- -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.

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