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CINGULAR WIRELESS WITHDRAWS TDMA PORTION OF REQUEST FOR WAIVER OF E911 PHASE II LOCATION TECHNOLOGY IMPLEMENTATION RULES

On July 6, 2001, Cingular Wireless LLC (Cingular) requested a waiver of the E911 Phase II rules to permit it to deploy a hybrid network and handset-based technology called Enhanced Observed Time Difference of Arrival (E-OTD) throughout its Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) networks and a switch-based location technology for its Time Division Multiple Access (TDMA) networks. On July 11, 2001, the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau released a Public Notice seeking comment on Cingular's request.¹ Comments on this request must be filed on or before July 31, 2001, and reply comments on or before August 10, 2001.

On July 24, 2001, Cingular filed a notice withdrawing its request for waiver with respect to its TDMA networks.² Cingular indicated that it is in the process of concluding tests that should validate the switch-based location technology it plans to deploy on its TDMA networks and that once these tests are complete, it will resubmit a waiver request for its TDMA networks.

As a result of Cingular's withdrawal, only the request for waiver pertaining to Cingular's GSM networks remains on file. The original comment schedule set forth in the July 11 Public Notice remains in effect for this portion of Cingular's request.

¹ *WTB Seeks Comment on Wireless E911 Waiver Request Filed by Cingular Wireless, LLC*, DA 01-1628, Public Notice (rel. July 11, 2001).

² *Cingular Wireless LLC – Withdrawal of TDMA Portion of its Petition for Limited Waiver of Sections 20.18(e)-(h)*, CC Docket 94-102 (filed July 24, 2001).