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## **Committee on Technical Barriers to Trade**

## NOTIFICATION

The following notification is being circulated in accordance with Article 10.6

1. Notifying Member: <u>UNITED STATES OF AMERICA</u>

If applicable, name of local government involved (Article 3.2 and 7.2):

2. Agency responsible:

Federal Communications Commission (FCC) [2146]

Name and address (including telephone and fax numbers, email and website addresses, if available) of agency or authority designated to handle comments regarding the notification shall be indicated if different from above:

Please submit comments to: USA WTO TBT Enquiry Point, Email: usatbtep@nist.gov

- 3. Notified under Article 2.9.2 [X], 2.10.1 [ ], 5.6.2 [X], 5.7.1 [ ], 3.2 [ ], 7.2 [ ], other:
- 4. Products covered (HS or CCCN where applicable, otherwise national tariff heading. ICS numbers may be provided in addition, where applicable): Emergency Alert System and Wireless Emergency Alerts; Product and company certification. Conformity assessment (ICS code(s): 03.120.20); Alarm and warning systems (ICS code(s): 13.320); Radiocommunications (ICS code(s): 33.060); Mobile services (ICS code(s): 33.070)
- **Title, number of pages and language(s) of the notified document:** The Emergency Alert System and Wireless Emergency Alerts; (13 page(s), in English)
- **Description of content:** Proposed rule In this document, the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) seeks comment on a proposal to adopt a new Emergency Alert System (EAS) event code for the delivery of critical messages to the public over television and radio about missing and endangered persons.
- 7. Objective and rationale, including the nature of urgent problems where applicable: Protection of human health or safety
- 8. Relevant documents:

89 Federal Register (FR) 27699, 18 April 2024; <u>Title 47 Code of Federal Regulations (CFR)</u> Part 11:

https://www.govinfo.gov/content/pkg/FR-2024-04-18/html/2024-08271.htm

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https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/FCC-24-30A1.pdf

This proposed rule is identified by PS Docket Nos. <u>15-91</u>, <u>15-94</u>; <u>FCC 24-30</u> and provides access to associated documents. The full text of the proposed rule is available from the Commission's website at <a href="https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-proposes-new-emergency-alert-code-missing-endangered-adults">https://www.fcc.gov/document/fcc-proposes-new-emergency-alert-code-missing-endangered-adults</a>. Documents are also accessible from the FCC's

Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) by searching the Docket Number. Comments are due on or before 4pm Eastern Time 20 May 2024 and reply comments are due on or before 4pm Eastern Time 17 June 2024. WTO Members and their stakeholders are asked to submit comments to the USA TBT Enquiry Point by or before 4pm Eastern Time on 17 June 2024. Comments received by the USA TBT Enquiry Point from WTO Members and their stakeholders will be shared with FCC and will also be submitted to the FCC's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) if received within the comment period.

<u>USA/1227, subsequent addenda and corrigendum</u> - Wireless Emergency Alerts; Emergency Alert System

<u>USA/2087 and Corr.1</u> - Emergency Alert System; Wireless Emergency Alerts

**9. Proposed date of adoption:** To be determined

Proposed date of entry into force: To be determined

- **10.** Final date for comments: 17 June 2024
- 11. Texts available from: National enquiry point [ ] or address, telephone and fax numbers and email and website addresses, if available, of other body:

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