

## NOTICE

FROM: Frank Pozniak, Executive Director  
State 911 Department

TO: Prepaid Wireless Telephone Service Providers

DATE: July 2, 2009

RE: Prepaid Wireless Telephone Service Surcharge and Reporting

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On July 31, 2008, the Governor signed into law “An Act to Create a State 911 Department, Single 911 Surcharge, and an Enhanced 911 Fund” (Chapter 223 of the Acts of 2008, or the Act). The Act charged the State 911 Department with promulgating regulations establishing the surcharge. As required by the Act, the State 911 Department has promulgated regulations 560 CMR 3.00 establishing an equitable and reasonable method for the remittance and collection of a surcharge on prepaid wireless telephone service. The regulations establish a surcharge of \$0.75 per month on each subscriber, end user, or customer of prepaid wireless telephone whose communications services are capable of accessing enhanced 911 service on or after July 1, 2009.

The regulations require each prepaid wireless telephone service provider to collect the surcharge on a monthly basis from each subscriber, end user, or customer and remit the surcharge to the State 911 Department within thirty (30) days; or to calculate and remit the surcharge by dividing its total Massachusetts prepaid wireless revenue for the month by its national average revenue per user for prepaid wireless service and multiplying the result by \$0.75.

As required by the regulations, each prepaid wireless telephone service provider shall remit the surcharge to the State 911 Department on a monthly basis, along with the required report, beginning no later than September 2009. The report can be found on our website at [www.mass.gov/e911](http://www.mass.gov/e911) under the service provider resources link.

Please contact Karen Robitaille at 508-828-2911 or [Karen.Robitaille@state.ma.us](mailto:Karen.Robitaille@state.ma.us) if you have any questions regarding this notice.