

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS DEPARTMENT OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND CABLE

D.T.C. 24-2

March 20, 2024

Petition of the State 911 Department for Approval of Fiscal Year 2024 Expenditures, Approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Development Grant Amount, Approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Incentive Grant Amount for Regional PSAPs Serving 2 Municipalities, Approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Incentive Grant Amount for Regional PSAPs Serving 10 + Municipalities, Approval of Fiscal Year 2025 Incentive Grant Amount for Regional Emergency Communication Centers, and Approval of the Massachusetts Telecommunications Relay Service and Captioned Telephone Relay Service Request for Response.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

On March 7, 2024, the State 911 Department ("911 Department") petitioned ("Petition") the Department of Telecommunications and Cable ("DTC") for approval of each of the following: (1) Fiscal Year ("FY") 2024 Expenditures; (2) the FY 2024 Development Grant amount; (3) the FY 2025 Incentive Grant amount for Regional PSAPs Serving 2 Municipalities; (4) the FY 2025 Incentive Grant Amount for Regional PSAPs Serving 10 + Municipalities; (5) the FY 2025 Incentive Grant Amount for Regional Emergency Communication Centers; and (6) the Massachusetts Telecommunications Relay Service and Captioned Telephone Relay Service Request for Response. The DTC has ninety days to review and issue a final decision on the Petition before these requests are deemed approved. *See* G.L. c. 6A, §§ 18B(i)(4), (5), 18H(c). The 911 Department also requests that the DTC deem the Petition as satisfying its requirement under G.L. c. 6A, § 18H(b) to report annually to the DTC on the financial condition of the Enhanced 911 Fund and the 911 Department's assessment of new developments affecting the enhanced 911 system.

This proceeding is docketed as D.T.C. 24-2, and the DTC will investigate the Petition as a formal adjudicatory proceeding conducted under G.L. c. 30A and 207 C.M.R. 1.00. To that end, a public hearing will take place on the Microsoft Teams videoconferencing platform on May 7, 2024 at 10:00 AM. The DTC will take public comment on the Petition during the public hearing. Any person wishing to watch, listen to, or submit verbal comments during the public hearing must follow the link below or enter the telephone number and password below at the start of the hearing. Please copy and paste the link into your browser.

Microsoft Teams Video Link: https://tinyurl.com/24-2hearing Telephone Number (audio only): 857-327-9245 Telephone Passcode: 711 608 376# Any person wishing to comment during the public hearing is asked to submit a request prior to the hearing to Shonda D. Green, Secretary of the DTC, at <u>shonda.green@mass.gov</u> or (617) 305-3580. The DTC will also accept written public comments until May 7, 2024. Written comments should be directed to Shonda Green at the email address, or in hardcopy to the mailing address, below.

Any person who desires to participate as a party to this proceeding must file a written petition for leave to intervene by e-mail to <u>dtc.efiling@mass.gov</u> or in hardcopy to:

Shonda Green, Secretary Department of Telecommunications and Cable 1000 Washington Street, Suite 600 Boston, MA 02118-6500

Petitions for leave to intervene must be received by 5:00 P.M. on April 12, 2024. Such petitions must satisfy the substantive requirements of 207 C.M.R. § 1.03(1). The text of the e-mail or written petition must specify: (1) the docket number D.T.C. 24-2; (2) the name of the person submitting the filing; (3) that person's title, if any; and (4) a brief descriptive title of the document (e.g., petition to intervene). The petition should also include the name, title, and telephone number of a person to contact in the event of questions about the filing.

Any requests for reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities or other questions about this hearing should be submitted to Shonda D. Green at <u>shonda.green@mass.gov</u> or (617) 305-3580.