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From: David Michaud

Director, NWS Office of Central Processing

Subject: NOAAPort/SBN Earth Station - Registration of Earth

Station Receive Antenna(s)

The NWS is issuing this Public Information Statement (PNS) to notify all NOAAPort/SBN customers of the following Federal Communication Commission (FCC) Public Notice

Origin: FCC DA 18-398 Date: April 19, 2018

Subject: Temporary Freeze on Applications for New or

Modified Fixed Satellite Service Earth Stations and Fixed Microwave Stations in the 3.7-4.2 GHz

Band

URL(s):

https://www.fcc.gov/document/bureaus-announce-freeze-and-limited-filing-

window-37-42-ghz-band

https://docs.fcc.gov/public/attachments/DA-18-398A2.pdf

The NOAAPort/SBN satellite service currently uses the Galaxy 28 (G28/Intelsat) satellite, which operates within the frequency range (3.7GHz-4.2GHz) identified in the FCC Public Notice. The NWS will register all NOAAPort/SBN antennas maintained and managed by the NWS Office of Central Processing. This is being done in an effort to maintain the security and accessibility of the NOAAPort/SBN satellite frequency and mitigate any risk to the dissemination of NWS watches, warnings, and advisory products to all customers.

Additionally, the FCC Public Notice also impacts the NWWS Weather Wire Service (NWWS) service which is a primary component of the NOAAPort/SBN satellite service. The NWS will register the NWWS antennas maintained and managed by the NWS Office of Dissemination.

For questions pertaining to this change or upcoming plans involving the NOAAPort/SBN/NWWS satellite service, please contact:

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