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THE FCC'S OFFICE OF ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY ANNOUNCES THE INITIATION OF FIELD TESTING FOR PROTOTYPE TV WHITE SPACE DEVICES

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The Federal Communication Commission's Office of Engineering and Technology (OET) today announced that it will begin field testing the performance of prototype television white space devices (WSDs), commencing the week of July 14, 2008.

The Commission is conducting tests of prototype white spaces devices as part of its rule making to consider authorizing the operation of new low power devices in the TV broadcast spectrum at locations where individual channels/frequencies are not being used for authorized services (TV white spaces) (ET Docket Nos. 04-186 and 02-380). The test plan was initially released on January 17, 2008. See http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs/public/attachmatch/DA-08-118A1.doc

The Commission has conducted the laboratory tests and the field testing will begin in accordance with the schedule attached to this Public Notice. The testing is open to the public and announcements of the specific dates and locations will be updated regularly at http://www.fcc.gov/oet/projects/tvbanddevice/Welcome.html

For questions concerning OET's testing of prototype TV white space devices, please contact Alan Stillwell, (202) 418-2925, e-mail <u>Alan.Stillwell@fcc.gov</u>.

TV White Space Device Field Test Schedule

The following list identifies the tentative test schedule for various sites selected to conduct field tests for prototype White Space Devices. Specific dates and times will be announced at: http://www.fcc.gov/oet/projects/tvbanddevice/Welcome.html.

	Site	Schedule	Location Type
1	Patapsco Valley State Park (Avalon Area), Elkridge, MD	Week 1	Suburban
2	Thomas A. Dixon, Jr. Aircraft Observation Area (BWI Airport) Dorsey Road, Glen Burnie, MD	Week 1	Suburban
3	Residence Ellicott City, MD	Week 2	Suburban - residential
4	Residence College Park, MD	Week 2	Suburban - residential
5	FCC Offices 445 12 th St., SW Washington, DC	Week 3	Urban – high rise
6	Residence Galesville, MD	Week 3	Semi-urban/rural
7	Rt 17 at Middletown Rd (Public parking lot), Myersville, MD	Week 4	Rural
8	Harp Hill (at Creek by Red Barn) side lot, Myersville, MD	Week 4	Rural
9	11348 Wolfsville Rd, Myersville, MD	Week 4	Rural
10	Myersville Park, (Parking lot) Myersville, MD	Week 4	Rural
11	Wireless Microphone testing	To Be Conducted Within the 4 Weeks	Sports Venue
12	Wireless Microphone testing	To Be Conducted Within the 4 Weeks	Entertainment Venue

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