**FCC EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS TIPS PSA**

[SCRIPT 2 – EMERGENCY/AFTERMATH (60 SECONDS)]

KEEPING IN TOUCH WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS – OR REACHING PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS – CAN BE CHALLENGING DURING POWER OUTAGES. IF TELECOM NETWORKS ARE AFFECTED BY SEVERE WEATHER OR OTHER CONDITIONS, THE FCC RECOMMENDS FOLLOWING THESE GUIDELINES:

CALL 911 ONLY WHEN NECESSARY AND LIMIT NON-EMERGENCY CALLS.

AVOID REPETITIVE REDIALING TO MINIMIZE NETWORK CONGESTION.

TRY TEXTING IF A CALL DOESN’T GO THROUGH.

CONSERVE BATTERY POWER: SWITCH MOBILE PHONES AND DEVICES TO POWER-SAVING MODES AND TURN OFF WHEN NOT IN USE.

IF EVACUATED, FORWARD LANDLINE CALLS TO YOUR CELL PHONE IF POSSIBLE.

IF YOU’RE USING YOUR CAR TO CHARGE CELL PHONES OR LISTEN TO NEWS ON THE CAR RADIO, BE AWARE THAT CARBON MONOXIDE EMISSIONS CAN BE DEADLY IN AN ENCLOSED SPACE SUCH AS A GARAGE.

REMEMBER: ALWAYS SEEK SHELTER IN DANGEROUS CONDITIONS AND FOLLOW DIRECTIONS FROM PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIALS.

FOR MORE INFO, GO TO FCC.GOV/EMERGENCY.