



# Virginia Association of Broadcasters Legal Review



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## Legal Memorandum

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### REMINDER: EAS Nationwide Test Form One Must Be Filed in ETRS By Monday, August 27

This is a reminder that all broadcasters have just a few more days—until **August 27, 2018**—to file Form One, the first of three reports that must be completed in connection with the next [nationwide EAS test](#), which is scheduled for September 20, 2018, at 2:20 p.m. ET.

As you know, broadcasters are required to participate in the September 20 nationwide test, which means stations should mark their calendars, ensure that EAS gear is functioning, assign responsibility for the filing of Form One and the other two EAS test reports, and review the FCC's [EAS Operating Handbook](#).

*Filing Form One.* Form One, as well as Forms Two and Three, must be filed using the FCC's ETRS ([EAS Test Reporting System](#)). As noted, Form One is due by this coming Monday, **August 27** (with any updates and corrections due by 11:59 p.m. on September 26). Form One contains basic information about each station, including its transmitter location, EAS monitoring assignments, and make and model of EAS gear. Stations that still have a copy of last year's Form One report may wish to refer to it while reviewing the auto-populated data in this year's Form One report. You'll want to be sure to update any information that has changed in the interim.

The second report—called Form Two—will be due by 11:59 p.m. on September 20, 2018. Form Three will be due by Monday, November 5, 2018. We will be sure to remind you later about the second and third reports.

*More Information.* For assistance with the ETRS filing process, the FCC has made videos available at <https://www.fcc.gov/general/eas-test-reporting-system>.

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If you have any questions concerning the information discussed in this memorandum, please contact your communications counsel or any of the undersigned.

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