

## **NEWS RELEASE**

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### **NATIONAL EMERGENCY ALERT SYSTEM TEST SCHEDULED**

SUFFOLK, VA (October 27, 2011) The Federal Communications Commission and the Federal Emergency Management Agency will conduct the first nationwide test of the Emergency Alert System at approximately 2 p.m. on November 9, 2011

The test will include transmission of a "live" Emergency Action Notification alert code to all EAS participants and a notice to the general public that the EAS has been activated for a national emergency, along with an audible notice that "this is a test." The test will last approximately three minutes and will not be carried on NOAA Weather Radios.

More information about the national EAS test is available at:

- FCC: <http://www.fcc.gov/pshs/>
- FEMA: [http://www.fema.gov/emergency/ipaws/eas\\_info.shtm](http://www.fema.gov/emergency/ipaws/eas_info.shtm)
- National Association of Broadcasters:  
<http://www.nab.org/documents/advocacy/EAS/EAS.asp>

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