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PUBLIC SAFETY & HOMELAND SECURITY BUREAU ANNOUNCES PARTIAL DEACTIVATION OF THE DISASTER INFORMATION REPORTING SYSTEM FOR HURRICANE FIONA

DIRS deactivated in the U.S. Virgin Islands. DIRS remains active in Puerto Rico.

At the request of the Department of Homeland Security, Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency and the Federal Emergency Management Agency, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has deactivated its Disaster Information Reporting System (DIRS)¹ for the following areas affected by Hurricane Fiona:

U.S. Virgin Islands: St. Croix, St. John, and St. Thomas

Communications providers do not need to provide any additional reporting in DIRS for these areas in the U.S. Virgin Islands with respect to Hurricane Fiona. The FCC will, however, continue to monitor the status of communications services and work with providers and government partners in these areas as needed to support remaining restoration efforts.

DIRS remains activated for all of Puerto Rico:

Puerto Rico: Adjuntas, Aguada, Aguadilla, Aguas Buenas, Aibonito, Anasco, Arecibo, Arroyo, Barceloneta, Barranquitas, Bayamon, Cabo Rojo, Caguas, Camuy, Canovanas, Carolina, Catano, Cayey, Ceiba, Ciales, Cidra, Coamo, Comerio, Corozal, Culebra, Dorado, Fajardo, Florida, Guanica, Guayama, Guayanilla, Guaynabo, Gurabo, Hatillo, Hormigueros, Humacao, Isabela, Jayuya, Juana Diaz, Juncos, Lajas, Lares, Las Marias, Las Piedras, Loiza, Luquillo, Manati, Maricao, Maunabo, Mayaguez, Moca, Morovis, Naguabo, Naranjito, Orocovis, Patillas, Penuelas, Ponce, Quebradillas, Rincon, Rio Grande, Sabana Grande, Salinas, San German, San Juan, San Lorenzo, San Sebastian, Santa Isabel, Toa Alta, Toa Baja, Trujillo Alto, Utuado, Vega Alta, Vega Baja, Vieques, Villalba, Yabucoa, and Yauco

The FCC appreciates the cooperation of all the communications providers that have voluntarily submitted data to DIRS in the aftermath of Hurricane Fiona. In disaster situations, information on the operational status of communications services provides critical situational awareness and supports effective emergency response and restoration efforts. The FCC expects to continue to publish daily communications status reports while DIRS remains active for any area in connection with Hurricane Fiona.

¹ DIRS is a voluntary, web-based system that communications providers, including wireless, wireline, broadcast, cable and Voice over Internet Protocol providers, can use to report communications infrastructure status and situational awareness information during times of crisis.

All FCC releases in connection with Hurricane Fiona may be found at https://www.fcc.gov/Fiona

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