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Washington, D.C. 20554

RE: Annual Information Collection Mandated By the New and Emerging Technologies Improvement Act of 2008; Response Due No Later than July 31, 2015

Dear Mr. Simpson:

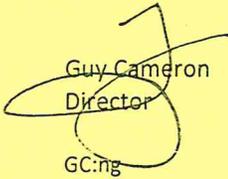
Your letter received June 8, 2015, addressed to Governor Mead, regarding the above referenced topic, has been submitted to this office for response. According to Title 16, Chapter 9 of the Wyoming State Statutes for the Emergency Telephone Service Act, Wyoming does not assign over-sight responsibility to a state-level agency for 911 services. Please reference; 16-9-102 (a)(iv)

<http://legisweb.state.wy.us/statutes/statutes.aspx?file=titles/Title16/T16CH9AR1.htm>

We respectfully advise you to contact individual 911 entities in each county with your request for information. To assist you, we would like to suggest you contact Glen Crumpton, Laramie County Combined Communications Center Director and Wyoming APCO/NENA Chairman. He can be reached at (307) 633-4330 or gcrumpton@laramiecounty.com. We believe you will find him to be very knowledgeable and beneficial in your efforts.

Another individual you may wish to contact is Ms. Terry Sherman. She is the National Association of State 911 Administrators (NASNA) Wyoming Representative. She can be reached at 307-733-2331 or www.tsherman@tetonsheriff.org.

Sincerely,


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cc: Glen Crumpton (copy of original letter)
Terry Sherman (copy of original letter)

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June 2, 2015

The Honorable Matthew Mead
State of Wyoming
State Capitol
200 West 24th Street
Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002-0010

Re: Annual Information Collection As Mandated By the New and Emerging Technologies Improvement Act of 2008; Response Due No Later Than **July 31, 2015**.

Dear Governor Mead:

The New and Emerging Technologies 911 Improvement Act of 2008 (NET 911 Act) became law on July 23, 2008, requiring Internet Protocol (IP) enabled voice service providers to provide 911 and enhanced 911 (E911) services, and requiring various regulatory undertakings by the Federal Communications Commission (Commission or FCC).¹ Section 6(f)(2) of the NET 911 Act requires the Commission to report to Congress annually regarding the collection and expenditure of fees or charges established by the states or other jurisdictions in connection with 911/E911 services.² The Commission must therefore obtain information “detailing the status in each State of the collection and distribution of such fees or charges, and including findings on the amount of revenues obligated or expended by each State or political subdivision thereof for any purpose other than the purpose for which any such fees or charges are specified.”³ The

¹ New and Emerging Technologies 911 Improvement Act of 2008, Pub. L. No. 110-283, 122 Stat. 2620 (2008)(NET 911 Act).

² *Id.* at Section 6(f)(2). The Commission is required to file “within 1 year after the date of enactment of the [NET 911 Act], and annually thereafter” a report with the Congress “detailing the status in each State of the collection and distribution of such fees or charges, and including findings on the amount of revenues obligated or expended by each State or political subdivision thereof for any purpose other than the purpose for which any such fees or charges are specified.” *Id.*

³ *Id.* at §6(f)(1). Section 6(f)(1) affirms the ability of “[a] State, political subdivision thereof, Indian tribe, or village or regional corporation serving a region established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act, as amended ...” to collect fees or charges “[applicable] to commercial mobile services or IP-enabled voice services ... for the support or implementation of 9-1-1 or enhanced 9-1-1 services, provided that the fee or charge is obligated or expended only in support of 9-1-1 and enhanced 9-1-1 services, or enhancements of such services, as specified in the provision of State or local law adopting the fee or charge. For each class of subscribers to IP-enabled voice services, the fee or charge may not exceed the amount of any such fee or charge applicable to the same class of subscribers to telecommunications services.” NET 911 Act at §6(f)(1).

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Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (Bureau) submits the annual 911 Fee Report to Congress in December.

For this seventh data collection pursuant to the NET 911 Act, the Commission has revised its data request to improve the relevance of the questions and utility of the report.⁴ This revised set of questions will enable the Commission to provide more constructive information to Congress about how states and other reporting jurisdictions spend collected fees and how they determine what activities, programs, and organizations qualify as being “in support of 9-1-1 and enhanced 9-1-1 services, or enhancements of such services,” pursuant to the statutory requirements.⁵ In this report and future reports, the Bureau will endeavor to use this information to study the link between the collection and expenditure of 911 fees, the results achieved, and any systemic barriers to progress.

Pursuant to OMB authorization 3060-1122, the Bureau seeks the following specific information in order to fulfill the Commission’s obligations under Section 6(f)(2) of the NET 911 Act:

1. An overview of your state’s or jurisdiction’s 911 system, including information on the total number of active Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs); the total number of full- and part-time telecommunicators; the total annual cost to provide 911/E911 service; and the total number of 911 calls received for the annual period under review. States should feel free to share their future plans for technical consolidation of PSAPs or other restructuring plans.
2. A description of the authority enabling establishment of 911/E911 funding mechanisms, including whether your state or jurisdiction has established a funding mechanism designated for or imposed for the purposes of 911 or E911 support or implementation; a description of the legal authority; a description of any changes to existing legal authority; a statement describing how the funds collected are made available to localities; whether your state has established written criteria regarding the allowable uses of the collected funds; and how funds collected are made available to localities.
3. A description of your state or jurisdictional authority that determines how 911/E911 fees are collected and spent, including which entities have authority to approve expenditure of funds, and whether a funding mechanism exists that mandates how collected funds can be used.
4. A description of uses of collected 911/E911 fees, including a statement identifying with specificity all activities, programs, and organizations for whose benefit your state, or political subdivision thereof, has obligated or expended funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes and how these activities, programs, and organizations support 911 and E911 services or enhancements of such services; identification of the allowed uses of collected

⁴ The Commission received authorization from the Office of Management and Budget for this amended information collection. See Notice of Office of Management and Budget Action, Dominic Mancini, Acting Deputy Administrator, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Office of Management and Budget, OMB Control Number 3060-1122 (March 25, 2015).

⁵ *Id.*

funds, including operating costs, personnel costs, administrative costs, dispatch costs, and grant programs. States are encouraged to describe their long term strategic 911 goals to help the FCC and Congress understand capitalization of new projects and goals for recurring costs efficiencies.

5. A description of 911/E911 Fees, including the amount of the fees or charges imposed for the implementation and support of 911 and E911 services; the total amount collected pursuant to the assessed fees or charges for the annual period under review, and by service type; and identification of any other sources of 911 funding.
6. A description of any diversion or transfer of 911/E911 fees for other uses, including a statement whether in the annual period under review funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes in your state/jurisdiction were made available or used solely for purposes designated by the funding mechanism; and a description of the amounts and uses of any funds diverted from 911/E911 uses.
7. A description of oversight and auditing of the collection and uses of 911/E911 fees, including whether your state or jurisdiction has established any oversight or auditing mechanisms or procedures to determine whether collected funds have been made available for the purposes designated by the funding mechanism; and whether your state or jurisdiction has the authority to audit service providers regarding the amount of 911/E911 fees they collect from subscribers.
8. A description of Next Generation 911 (NG911) services and expenditures, including whether your state or jurisdiction classifies expenditures on NG911 as within the scope of permissible expenditures of funds for 911 or E911 purposes; a description of the amount spent, if any, in the annual period under review; a description of the type and number of NG911 Emergency Services IP Networks (ESInets) operated within the state; a description of any NG911 projects completed or underway during the annual period under review, including plans to consolidate networks or expand their operation beyond 911 services; and a description of total PSAPs accepting texts or planning to become text capable.
9. A description of cybersecurity expenditures, including whether your state or jurisdiction expended funds on cybersecurity programs for PSAPs; the number of PSAPs in your state that either implemented a cybersecurity program or participated in a regional or state-run cybersecurity program, including operation or utilization of any Information Sharing and Analysis Centers or organizations; and whether your state or jurisdiction adheres to the National Institute of Standards and Technology Framework for Improving Critical Infrastructure Cybersecurity (February 2014) for networks supporting one or more PSAPs in your state or jurisdiction.
10. A description regarding measuring effective utilization of 911/E911 fees, including an assessment of the effects achieved from the expenditure of state 911/E911 or NG911 funds, including any criteria your state or jurisdiction uses to measure the effectiveness of the use of 911/E911 fees and charges.

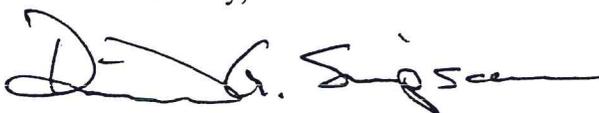
Consistent with Section 6(f) of the NET 911 Act, we request that you report the information identified in this letter with respect to fees and charges collected in connection with the implementation and support of 911 or E911 services within your state, including any political subdivision thereof, Indian tribe and/or village and regional corporation serving any region established pursuant to the Alaska Native Claims Settlement Act that otherwise lie within their state boundaries.⁶ In addition, consistent with the definition of "State" set out in 47 U.S.C. 153(40), the Commission will collect this information from states as well as the District of Columbia, and the inhabited U.S. Territories and Possessions.

For this annual data collection, the Commission is providing a Microsoft Word version of a fillable questionnaire. We strongly encourage you to use this fillable questionnaire to ensure that the Commission accurately collects your state's responses. The fillable questionnaire can be downloaded at <http://www.fcc.gov/encyclopedia/911FeeReports>. At the top of the page, under the heading "2015 NET 911 Information Collection Form," click on the appropriate link to download the questionnaire. You should e-mail your information to the NET 911 Fee Report electronic e-mail inbox at 911feereport@fcc.gov. We request that you submit the information no later than **July 31, 2015**.

The Commission has worked closely with 911 representatives from many states and communities this year to identify potential efficiencies in the provision of life saving 911 capabilities. Your answers to this data collection are not only important for Congress, but should help your citizens get the most from the resources identified for 911 in your state.

Thank you for your cooperation with this important undertaking. Should you have any questions, please contact Mr. Timothy May of my staff at (202) 418-1463 or timothy.may@fcc.gov.

Sincerely,



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⁶ See NET 911 Act, Section 6(f)(1).