Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

March 19th, 2015

In re 911 Governance and Accountability; Improving 911 Reliability;  

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On March 19th, 2015, the following representatives from industry and public safety associations, along with one government agency, made a permitted ex parte presentation to David Furth, Eric Schmidt, Erica Olsen, and Tim May of the Commission’s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau, in which we discussed the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in the above-referenced dockets. The following industry, public safety, and government representatives attended: Craig Donaldson, iCERT; Anthony Jones, USTelecom; Kim Robert Scovill, iCERT; Jeff Cohen, APCO; Trey Forgety, NENA; Brian Fontes, NENA; Alex Kreilein, DHS/OEC; Roger Hixson, NENA; and Evelyn Bailey, NASNA.

At the meeting, certain industry and public safety representatives outlined their understandings of the Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau’s proposals for addressing 911 governance and accountability, and discussed avenues by which the public and private sector representatives might develop alternative consensus approaches and practices. In particular, certain representatives emphasized the success of the previous Text-to-9-1-1 and Wireless E9-1-1 Location Accuracy agreements, and outlined their views that both industry and public safety standards bodies, along with the Commission’s Communications Security, Reliability, and Interoperability Council (CSRIC) could play vital roles in ensuring the reliability of 9-1-1 service through the development of voluntary consensus standards and best practices, respectively.

Sincerely,

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Eric Schmidt, PSHSB