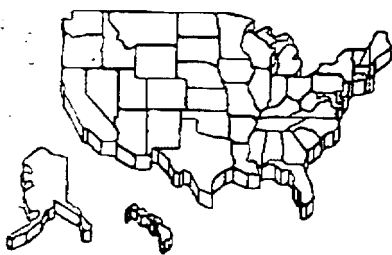
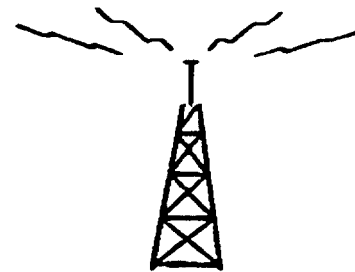


# **Appendix K**



# National Public Safety Telecommunications Council



NLECTC-RM  
2050 E. Iliff Avenue  
Denver, CO 80208  
1-800-416-8086

April 22, 1999

## CHARTER MEMBERS

AASHTO

[www.aashto.org](http://www.aashto.org)

APCO

[www.apcointl.org](http://www.apcointl.org)

FCCA

FEMA

[www.fema.gov](http://www.fema.gov)

IACP

[www.thiacp.org](http://www.thiacp.org)

IAFC

[www.iafc.org](http://www.iafc.org)

IAFWA

[www.gorp.com/teamww/  
iafwa.htm](http://www.gorp.com/teamww/iafwa.htm)

IMSA

[www.imsasafety.org](http://www.imsasafety.org)

NASEMSD

NASF

[sso.org/nasf/nasf.html](http://sso.org/nasf/nasf.html)

NASTD

[www.csg.org/nastd/nastd.html](http://www.csg.org/nastd/nastd.html)

NCCEM

[www.dtic.mil/defense/ink/  
emerg/nccecm.html](http://www.dtic.mil/defense/ink/emerg/nccecm.html)

Kathleen Wallman, Chair  
Public Safety National Coordination Committee  
c/o Wallman Strategic Consulting, Inc.  
555 12<sup>th</sup> Street, N.W.  
Suite 321  
Washington, D.C. 20004

Dear Ms. Wallman:

I am writing on behalf of the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NSPTC) to request that the Public Safety National Coordination Committee (NCC) support our proposed initiative for the development and maintenance of a 700 MHz regional planning pre-coordination database. This database will be developed by the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Center-Rocky Mountain Region (NLECTC), a program funded by the National Institute of Justice. This letter will describe NPSTC, NLECTC, and the proposed database. Our hope is that the NCC will support this effort and recommend that the Federal Communications Commission adopt appropriate rules and policies.

## NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATIONS COUNCIL (NPSTC)

NPSTC is a coalition of public safety organizations formed on May 1, 1997, to encourage and facilitate the implementation of the findings and recommendations of the Public Safety Wireless Advisory Committee (PSWAC), to develop and make recommendations to appropriate governmental bodies regarding public safety communications issues, and to serve as a standing forum for the exchange of ideas and information regarding public safety communications. Its membership includes agencies of the federal government, and associations representing all facets of local, state, and federal public safety

American Association of State Highway and Transportation Officials • Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials - International • Forestry  
Conservation Communications Association • Federal Emergency Management Agency • International Association of Chiefs of Police • International Association of  
FireChiefs • International Association of Fish and Wildlife Agencies • International Municipal Signal Association • National Association of State Emergency  
Medical Services Directors • National Association of State Foresters • National Association of State Telecommunications Directors • National Coordinating Council  
on Emergency Management •

Website: <http://emlectc.fri.du.edu/npsat>

communications. These organizations include the FCC-certified public safety frequency coordinators (AASHTO, APCO, IMSA/IAFC, FCCA).

### **NATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT AND CORRECTIONS TECHNOLOGY CENTER - ROCKY MOUNTAIN REGION (NLECTC)**

The National Institute of Justice (NIJ), a component of the U.S. Department of Justice, funds the National Law Enforcement and Corrections Technology Centers (NLECTC). NIJ's Office of Science & Technology, headquartered in Washington, D.C., operates four regional centers, each charged with specific areas of technology research and development. A primary function of these centers is to provide assistance to state and local government law enforcement and correction agencies. Priorities for programs are recommended by an advisory committee composed of representatives from local, state, and federal government agencies.

The proposed regional planning database will be managed by the Rocky Mountain Center of NLECTC, located at the University of Denver. One of the primary missions of the Rocky Mountain Center is supporting public safety telecommunications. This proposal to provide a pre-coordination database to assist the Regional Planning Committees was presented to NIJ's Office of Science and Technology at the request of NPSTC. It was enthusiastically approved. They have funded a preliminary planning effort and have tentatively agreed to fund the acquisition of hardware, development of software, and on-going management of the system.

### **REQUIREMENTS FOR AND OPERATION OF THE REGIONAL PLANNING DATABASE**

The Regional Plan concept is designed to allow regions to develop plans that best fit their specific requirements. These include:

- Extended funding periods and implementation schedules
- Development of wide area systems with multiple frequencies
- Development of multi-agency consolidated systems
- Transition from existing technology and frequencies to new.

The FCC license database does not accommodate the pre-application and allotment process necessary to accomplish the above. The additional pre-application information is needed on a real time basis to provide maximum spectrum utilization and to avoid selection of frequencies that will result in interference between regions. Thus, this NLECTC pre-coordination database must be made available to all regional planning committees.

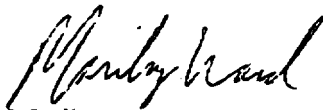
NLECTC has agreed to provide and manage a database for the use of the Regional Planning Committees. NPSTC will serve as an advisory board to NLECTC ensure that the database will be developed to serve public safety users and to facilitate the post-planning frequency coordination and application process.

**NPSTC REQUEST TO THE NATIONAL COORDINATION COMMITTEE (NCC)**

NPSTC respectfully requests the NCC to recognize the need for this pre-coordination database, the advantages it will provide to the Regional Planning process, and the need for a standardized database format. NPSTC further requests that the NCC acknowledge this contribution by NLECTC and encourage the Federal Communications Commission to take any action required to ensure this program will be used in the intended manner by the Regional Planning Committees.

Please contact me at (407) 246-2446 should you have any questions.

Sincerely,

  
Marilyn Ward  
Chair

cc: Tom Sugrue  
D'wana Terry