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Westerfield**
Chairman

State of Wyoming

Public Safety Communications Commission

Executive Board Meeting

March 26, 2012

Wyoming Office of Homeland Security

Chairman Bill Westerfield called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Attendance: Bill Westerfield, Mark Harshman, Dave Johnson, Kim Lee, Guy Cameron – Director Homeland Security, Jim Frank – Homeland Security and Bob Symons

Public Safety Mobile Broadband

Director Cameron briefed the Executive Board on the current status of the *Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012* which includes legislation to create a Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (NPSBN). This legislation creates a Public Safety Interoperability Board, which the FCC completed on March 23, 2012. Within 90 days, this board will develop the minimum technical standards for the NPSBN and submit to the FCC for concurrence. The technical standards will be based upon the commercial LTE service.

In August 2012, NTIA will create the FirstNet Board. This board will oversee the development and operation of the NPSBN. As part of the requirements, the State of Wyoming will need to review the FirstNet network requirements and decide if Wyoming will Opt In to the national plan or Opt Out and develop their own plan, which must be approved by the FCC. Wyoming must be prepared to review the materials which will be provided on the development of the NPSBN and Director Cameron requested the PSCC be the point of contact for Wyoming. Director Cameron stated Bob Symons is the best person to lead a work group on public safety mobile broadband and asked the PSCC to create another work group for Broadband.

The State of Wyoming already has a Broadband Coordinator, which is a contract employee working for EdLabs on developing a broadband study for Wyoming. This current study is focused on all broadband and public safety mobile broadband is a part of that. Robert Wilson will be attending the Broadband Advisory Group meeting on April 5, 2012 and requesting assistance with the public safety mobile broadband study.

The Executive Board agreed to create a Public Safety Mobile Broadband Work Group, which will be brought to the PSCC in June for their concurrence. Bob Symons will start working on developing the work group and finding members representing law enforcement, fire, EMS, counties, cities & towns, private vendors, state agencies and tribal.

Chairman Westerfield adjourned the meeting at 10:00 am

Respectfully submitted

Robert Symons