

State of Wyoming

Steve DeCecco Chairman

Public Safety Communications Commission

Interoperability Executive Committee Phone Conference Meeting March 4, 2008

Chairman Billy Janes call the Phone Conference meeting to order at 10:05 am.

Members attending: Chairman Billy Janes, Kebin Haller, Jim Archerd and Bob Symons.

WyoLink Applications

Discussion on the WyoLink applications that have been received to date. There have been 34 applications to date. Most of the applications have been received from Wyoming Public Safety agencies. Others that have applied include federal agencies – USDA – Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services, US Marshal's Office, and US Drug Enforcement Agency. Other agencies requesting membership includes: City of Laramie Public Works, Albany County Road & Bridge, Absolute Solutions – Radio Shop, Rocky Mountain Ambulance and Sheridan County School District 3. *Listing of current applications is attached to the minutes for reference*.

Bob Symons recommended the approval of all of the applications. The Committee concurred with that recommendation.

The process for application approval includes the review and signature of the applications by Marty McCoy, WyoLink Support Manager, and approval by the PSCC Interoperable Executive Committee. Then depending on the types of service requested – Mutual Aid and/or SALECS, the Wyoming Highway Patrol has to sign off on the Mutual Aid and the SALECS chairman needs to sign off on the SALECS. Upon the completion of all signatures, the PSCC Chairman signs the applications. After the completion of the applications process, Marty McCoy and Bob Symons will work with the agencies to develop talkgroup plans and radio programming plans. Once the radios are programmed, the agency may begin using the radio systems.

Chairman Janes asked about the Mutual Aid problems in Sweetwater County. Mutual Aid is adding a repeated channel to the Mutual Aid System in addition to the current mutual aid simplex channel. Only the repeated Mutual Aid channel will be transmitted to the Wyoming Highway Patrol Dispatch. Any agency wishing to add the repeated Mutual Aid Channel will need to complete the new Mutual Aid Memorandum of Understanding. A notice of upgrades is being sent out by WYDOT Telecom – Larry Sheridan.

Bob Symons has been working with the U.S. Department of Agriculture – Animal and Plant Health Inspection Services (APHIS) on the development of a membership Memorandum of Understanding (MOU). The Federal Agencies do not like contracts or agreements and MOU's

are easier to usher through the Federal attorneys. The APHIS MOU is a compilation of the signed DOI MOU and the WyoLink Membership Agreement. All involved attorneys have approved the MOU. The MOU will be included in the March PSCC meeting.

Bob Symons and Kebin Haller have been working on the development of clear and encrypted interoperable law enforcement state-wide talkgroups. These talkgroups will allow local, State and Federal law enforcement agencies interoperable communications. Wyoming DCI will have the authority over the talkgroups.

Being no further business, Chairman Janes adjourned the meeting at 10:20 am.

Respectfully submitted,

Bob Symons, PSCC Administrative Support

Attachment – WyoLink Application listing.