Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee State of Louisiana

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Priority Level Policy

I. Purpose

The purpose of this policy is to ensure essential Louisiana Wireless Information Network (LWIN) traffic is granted priority status when the system is operating at high capacity.

II. Operation

The primary mission of the Louisiana Wireless Information Network (LWIN) is to provide reliable interoperable communications for first responders. During times when LWIN is operating at or near capacity, priority levels will be assigned to radio traffic in cue for the next open channel. Priorities are listed below, from greatest priority to least priority.

- A. Emergency Button Activation
- **B. First Responder Consoles**
- C. First Responder Radios
- D. All Others

The term "First Responder" is as defined in section 2 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002 (6 U.S.C. 101), subsection (6) "emergency response providers"

Radio priority will be set at the radio level, and made part of the agency programming template.

III. Management

The Radio Priority levels will be assigned by the following agencies:

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Zone 1: Louisiana State Police (LSP) Radio Communications Section

Zone 2: Jefferson Parish Sheriff's Office Communications Section

Zone 3: LSP Radio Communications Section

Zone 4: LSP Radio Communications Section

IV. Contact Information

Contact information is provided on the LWIN Website, http://gohsep.la.gov/SIEC

V. Conflict resolution

The Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) Executive Committee will be the final arbiter of any talkgroup use disputes.

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