SIEC POLICY & PLANNING ADVISORY COMMITTEE REPORT

WEDNESDAY, JULY 25, 2018 SIEC MEETING

SIEC's charge to the Policy and Planning Advisory Committee:

Develop an objective criteria based evaluation process for determining eligibility for LWIN access. As we look at this issue, we must recognize one overriding factor: FCC Rules and regulations govern the use of Public Safety Frequencies.

The FCC has authorized us to operate a public safety trunked radio system using exclusive public safety frequencies.

FCC rules and regulations generally limit operations under our licenses to governmental entities, public safety entities, and those that directly support them (47 CFR-Part 90). The policy and planning advisory committee recommends that the following guidelines (Policy 002- Appendix E) be adopted and used by LWIN management to determine eligibility:

Proposed SIEC Policy #002 Statewide System Access Policy, Appendix E

In accordance with established SIEC Policies and Louisiana's authorization by the FCC to operate a public safety trunked radio system using public safety frequencies (47 CFR Part 90.20 Public Safety Pool), the following are eligible to access the LWIN system:

Proposed LWIN Eligibility list based on CFR 47 Part 90.20 (cont.)

- 1. Louisiana state military entities;
- 2. Louisiana state governmental entities;
- 3. Louisiana local governmental entities;
- 4. First responder entities within Louisiana;
- 5. Federal government first responders and military entities that operate within Louisiana in cooperation with and in support of state and local authorities;
- 6. First responder entities in bordering states that have a mutual aid agreement with first responders in Louisiana; and

Proposed LWIN Eligibility list based on CFR 47 Part 90.20 (cont.)

- 7. Persons or organizations other than governmental entities when accompanied by a statement from the governmental entity having legal jurisdiction and discipline over the area to be served, supporting the request as follows:
 - Persons or organizations charged with specific law enforcement activities;
 - Persons or organizations charged with specific disaster response and relief activities;
 - Persons or organizations charged with specific firefighting or fire protection activities;
 - Persons or organizations engaged in the delivery or rendition of emergency medical services for the provision of basic or advanced life support;

Proposed LWIN Eligibility list based on CFR 47 Part 90.20 (cont.)

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- Ambulance companies regularly engaged in providing medical ambulance services;
- Hospital establishments that offer services, facilities, and beds for use beyond 24 hours in rendering medical treatment;
- Rescue organizations for the limited purpose of providing medical or rescue services;
- Persons or organizations charged with specific emergency response and/or emergency management activities;
- Persons or organizations operating school buses as authorized by the local school board; and
- Critical infrastructure entities for the purpose of providing notification to and communication with public safety authorities.

Louisiana Specific: Critical infrastructure entities for the purpose of providing notification to and communication with public safety authorities.

Addresses:

- Nuclear Facilities;
- ESU Teams with existing MOUs and assigned jurisdictional support roles; and
- Electric Restoration IC Staff / Key Personnel.

All of these may have LWIN Programming for Interoperable notification and coordination purposes. These entities may not be assigned individual talkgroups for daily operations. **SIEC's Technical Advisory Committee requested that the Policy and Planning Advisory Committee review the following and offer a recommendation to the SIEC:**

- Ways to enforce and/or reinforce the required talkgroup programming per SIEC Policy #003 -Interoperable Channels and Talkgroups Policy, and
- In order to provide interoperability with first responder units throughout the state, any agency operating on the LWIN system, whether primary, secondary or tertiary, shall be required to program radios per SIEC Policy #003.

Ways to enforce and/or reinforce the required talkgroup programming per SIEC Policy #003 -Interoperable Channels and Talkgroups Policy, and

Accordingly, the Policy and Planning Advisory Committee recommends that the following required radio programming acknowledgement package of (a Form Letter, Acknowledgement Form, Policy #003) be adopted and implemented.

(Sample on next slide)

(Date)

Dear_

(Name of requesting person)

(Agency)

Your agency's request to access the LWIN system has been tentatively approved pending the completion and return of the attached Required Radio Programming Acknowledgement Form.

The completed and signed form may be sent by mail to:

Or it may be scanned and emailed to:

Sincerely,

Louisiana Wireless Information Network Required Radio Programming Acknowledgement Form

We the undersigned acknowledge and understand that each radio that is programmed to access LWIN must be programmed, in addition to the talkgroups assigned for our agency's own exclusive use, with all of the 700 MHz and 800 MHz channels and talkgroups specified in the attached Policy Number 003 – Interoperable Channels and Talkgroups Policy.

(Name of company or agency that will program the radios)

(Name/Title of responsible party of company or agency that will program the radios)

(Signature of responsible party of company or agency that will program the radios)

(Date)

(Name of agency requesting access to LWIN)

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(Date)

QUESTIONS?

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