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TECHNICAL SUBCOMMITTEE MINUTES
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The Statewide Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) Technical Subcommittee (TSC) met on Wednesday, March 11, 2015 at The Louisiana Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness, Media Conference Room, 7667 Independence Boulevard, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70806.

I. Call to Order

Technical Subcommittee Chairman Eric Deroche called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

II. Roll Call

The TSC roll call was called by Travis Johnson, and a quorum was established.

The following TSC members were present or absent as noted:

Committee Members Present	Representing Agency
Eric Deroche	Region 3
Chuck Cassard	Louisiana Sheriffs Association
Bill Vincent	Association of Public Safety Communications Officials (APCO)
Julio Peck	DOA/OTS Radio Communications
James Ballow	Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)

Committee Members Absent	Representing Agency
Wes Edge	Region 7
Lorn J Bourgeois*	Jefferson Parish Sheriff’s Office
Jonathan Walsdorf*	St. Charles Parish Sherriff’s Office

*while not in attendance, these members monitored the meeting via conference call

III. LWIN System Software Upgrade and Equipment End Of Life

Terry Waggenpack from OTS Radio Communications gave the subcommittee a presentation on the options for future system software upgrades.

Julio Peck advised the committee that the Technology Subcommittee will need to consider replacing the T-1 backhaul technology with Ethernet, possibly AVPN, as T-1 technology begins to be phased out. Mr. Peck also mentioned that a microwave loop for LWIN connecting existing microwave systems would aid the transition from T-1 backhaul for those areas.

Chuck Cassard made a motion to recommend a plan, to include financial details and projected timelines, to the full SIEC at the April 22, 2015 meeting to upgrade the system software to version 7.17. The plan will also include the consoles, workstations, management terminals, and related equipment that are either incompatible with LWIN system software version 7.17 or incapable of being upgraded from unsupported computer operating systems such as Windows Vista or XP, and the benefits and risks associated with remaining on version 7.13. Julio Peck seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

IV. Coverage Issues

After a brief discussion of current LWIN coverage issues the TSC decided a full statewide gap analysis was not required at this time. Instead, OTS Radio Communications was tasked with investigating coverage issues on a case-by-case basis.

Julio Peck made a motion to recommend the following gaps to the full SIEC for approval as they have been verified; South Livingston Parish, Eunice, and Morehouse Parish. Chuck Cassard seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Public Comments

There were no public comments.

VI. Adjournment

Julio Peck made a motion to adjourn. Chuck Cassard seconded the motion. The TSC voted unanimously to adjourn.