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To the Governor, Secretary of State and the Great and General Court of the
Commonwealth of Massachusetts:

On behalf of the State 911 Department (or Department), I am pleased to issue our report of grant expenditures by municipality for Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011. On July 31, 2008, the Legislature passed and the Governor signed into law Chapter 223 of the Acts of 2008 that, amongst other things, required the Department to prepare and file this report every three years with the first report being due this year. Pursuant to the same Chapter, the Department expanded its grant programs to support the public safety answering points (or PSAPs) in the Commonwealth and to develop and encourage the creation of regional PSAPs¹, regional emergency communication centers (or RECCs),² and regional secondary PSAPs³ in the Commonwealth. A description of each of these grant programs and the total expenditures by municipality for the three Fiscal Years for each grant is contained below.

¹ "Regional PSAP", is a facility operated by or on behalf of two or more municipalities or governmental bodies, or combination thereof, approved by the Department, for the operation of enhanced 911 call taking and call transfer activities. A regional PSAP also may provide police, fire protection or emergency medical services dispatch for some of the municipalities or governmental bodies that comprise the regional PSAP.

² "Regional Emergency Communication Center", is a facility operated by or on behalf of two or more municipalities or governmental bodies, or combination thereof, as approved by the Department, that provides enhanced 911 call taking service and police, fire protection, and emergency medical services dispatch for all of the municipalities or governmental bodies that comprise the regional emergency communication center.

³ "Regional Secondary PSAP", is a facility operated by or on behalf of three or more municipalities or governmental bodies, or a combination thereof, approved by the Department, that provides either police, fire protection, or emergency medical services dispatch, or any combination thereof, for the municipalities or governmental bodies that comprise the regional secondary PSAP.

- Public Safety Answering Point and Regional Emergency Communication Center Training Grant: reimburses primary, regional and regional secondary PSAPs and RECCs for allowable expenses related to the training and certification of enhanced 911 telecommunicators. For Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011, Training Grant expenditures totaled \$3,257,120.
- Public Safety Answering Point and Regional Emergency Communication Center Support and Incentive Grant: provides funding to primary, regional and regional secondary PSAPs and RECCs for allowable expenses related to enhanced 911 personnel and equipment costs. Incentive funds are awarded to regional PSAPs and RECCs, in addition to amounts allocated as part of the Support Grant, using a formula that applies a specified percentage of total surcharge revenues based on the number of municipalities to be served by regional PSAPs or RECCs. For Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011, the Department expended \$45,488,422 in Support and Incentive Grant funds.
- Wireless State Police Public Safety Answering Point Grant: reimburses wireless Massachusetts State Police PSAPs for allowable expenses related to enhanced 911 personnel and equipment costs. For Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011, Grant expenditures totaled \$8,136,324.
- Regional and Regional Secondary Public Safety Answering Point, and Regional Emergency Communication Center Development Grant: supports the development and startup of regional PSAPs, regional secondary PSAPs and RECCs, including the expansion or upgrade of existing regional and regional secondary PSAPs, and RECCs, to maximize effective emergency 911 and dispatch services as well as regional interoperability. For Fiscal Years 2009 through 2011, the Department awarded \$27,281,496 that impacted approximately 140 communities throughout the Commonwealth. Of this amount, \$2,992,541 has been expended as many of the projects are on-going and full award amounts have yet to be expended.

Attached are spreadsheets detailing the expenditures of each of these grants by Fiscal Year and municipality.

Sincerely,



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