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SIEC Executive Management Committee (EMC) Meeting

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Wednesday, October 5, 2022, from 1:30pm - 3:30pm
MEMA, 400 Worcester Rd., Framingham MA., and on Teams

MINUTES

Voting SIEC EMC members present: *Richard Fiske (SWIC-EOPSS), David Spinosa (Northeast) Scott Wilder (UASI), Robert Gariepy (Western) Jason Breault (Western) Greg Lynskey (Central) Timothy Gover (Southeast)*

Others present: *Andrew Bagdonas (MEMA), John Surette (Boston PD), Corey Swift (MCSA) Norm Fournier (Mass. State 911) Seth Peters (Central-CMRPC) Alexander Marcus, (EOPSS OGR) Kayla Toner (EOPSS OGR)*

Richard Fiske chaired the meeting and called the meeting to order at 1:34 pm, addressed the committee, and held the rollcall.

1. Acceptance of Minutes/Notes

- a. September 7, 2022, Minutes. *Motion to accept by Scott Wilder, Second by Jason Breault. Motion carried.*
- b. **PJ-ICIPs and PJ-ICIP Amendments:**
 - HSGP 20-453 – Winthrop repeater (UASI)
Scott Wilder addressed the committee. This is replacing end of life equipment at Winthrop leveraged by the police to communicate with the harbormaster, and other agencies on their channel when necessary. No questions from the committee. Motion to approve by Dave Spinosa, seconded by Jason Breault. Motion carried.

- HSGP 21-460 – Community Radio Controls / Boston PD (UASI)
John Surette addressed the committee. This equipment continues the consolette project to obtain 3 additional consolette radios. Richard Fiske added that it was noted by the UASI Interop. committee members and the SWIC that the necessary feature set of P25 authentication was omitted from the submitted quote. Prior to the meeting UASI was able to re-submit an updated quote to include it which replaces the one originally submitted, and the features are fully compliant. No questions from the committee. Motion to approve by Dave Spinosa, seconded by Timothy Gover. Motion carried.
 - c. Discussion on any other current projects that have been reviewed previously and need action or having pending concerns. None from the attendees.
 - d. Discussion on any newly submitted projects that require distribution and review prior to action that were not anticipated or included here. None from the attendees.

2. Reports

- a. Standing Committees
 - i. Data Committee – No meeting.
 - ii. RF Committee – Not present.
 - iii. Policy / Programs
Richard Fiske addressed the committee. This committee met this morning. Items addressed were.
 - Selection of a chairperson, which defaulted to the SWIC as no other nominations were made.
 - 10 Best Practice Document. Each to be expanded with more information if the user seeks additional information on any of the topics.
 - Encryption guidance bulletin to be updated to follow updates made by the P25 W.G., NCSWIC and SAFECOM.
 - MIFOG and SCIP are due for 2023 updates and the process to be used to accomplish both hopefully before the first quarter or half of 2023.
 - COM-L, COM-T, INTD technical assistance that was coming up was discussed and potentially what more T/A's can be requested in 2023.

b. Councils

UASI-Metro Boston

Scott Wilder advised they have nothing new to report. No questions from the committee.

Northeast

Dave Spinosa addressed the committee. Their regional TCIP is nearly final and will be brought to full council. They obtained 14 cache radios for FD 5/15 which were deployed in Saugus recently. They also have a cache for ECPC association being used at the Topsfield Fair currently, leveraging funded assets. No questions from the committee.

Southeast

Timothy Gover addressed the committee. Advised nothing new other than finishing up the Copicut Hill project which should be final soon. No question from the committee.

Central

Central region was inadvertently missed during the call for reports and did not provide a report for this month.

Western

Jason Breault addressed the committee. Berkshire County Sheriffs met with John Ruggiero (MSP) Matt Barstow (MSP) Rob Cruikshank (EOTSS ICB) and Mike Salzman (EOTSS ICB) regarding a Berkshire Country Sheriff talk-group on CoMIRS. They have some homework to complete on their end to determine what their needs will be. No questions from the committee. Nothing to add from Robert Gariepy.

c. State/Federal/Other Agencies

iv. SWIC

Richard Fiske addressed the Committee. COM-L is coming on 10/24 and stated there were some openings in the course. COM-T will be the following week, and is full, and INTD is the week after and is also full, with a wait list. The MA COMU TERT team has more than 40 credentialed members at this point. S911 working to develop a process to fund deployments when they occur. SWIC attended the National 911 Administrators Assn. conference last month with S911 Director Frank Pozniak. The two day program focused on PSAP interoperability initiatives and there were three that were takeaways; 1. Involve all PSAPs in any functional or full scale exercises and broaden the outreach and requirements to do so. 2. Work to get all PSAPs access to the statewide radio system interoperability channels to leverage that. 3. Data interoperability as a state effort (CAD to CAD etc.) Reported on the next CISA T/A which is a PSAP COOP plan template to expand on those earlier efforts, and an outreach plan for more use of GETS/WPS in Massachusetts. No questions from the committee. Later, the chair addressed the concerns about being able to make a quorum for this meeting and suggested a bi-monthly cadence. Discussion among the members ensued and the consensus was to continue with the monthly meetings and address concerns as they arise.

v. NextGen911 / State 911 report – *Norm Fournier spoke to the committee. Working to replace all the digital recorders in all PSAPs which requires going to each of the PSAPs. Cybersecurity remains a focus and putting in multilayer approaches to secure the network. TERT process for funding continues. No questions from the committee.*

vi. FirstNet – Not present.

vii. Statewide Radio – Not present

- viii. System Owners – *John Surette addressed the committee on behalf of BAPERN. The group is working to replace the end-of-life Quantars. The first quote from the vendor was “indigestible” and the committee is looking at more options and may be able to report more at the next meeting. BAPERN may be seeking additional funding from UASI region to help support the effort. No questions from the committee.*

3. Federal Partners – *Not present*

4. Old Business – None.

- a. SCIP Goal work
- b. Copper
- c. Non-HSGP grant-funded interoperability projects
- d. Cybersecurity

Adjourned at 2:04 pm.