# NG9-1-1 Interoperability Oversight Commission Conference Call Wednesday, September 10, 2025 Minutes

(All Times Eastern)

- Chair McMurrer called the meeting to order at 12:02pm.
- Chair McMurrer read the Conflict of Interest Policy to the Commission.
- Attendance is recorded in video conferencing software logs.
  - o In attendance (Six voting members required for quorum):
    - Steve McMurrer, Chair<sup>1</sup>
    - Dave Sehnert<sup>1</sup>
    - Darlene Pankonie<sup>1</sup> (departed at approximately 12:56pm)
    - Ian Stephenson<sup>1</sup>
    - Bill Mertka<sup>1</sup>
    - Roger Marshall<sup>1</sup>
    - Jason Horning<sup>1</sup>
    - Amy McDowell<sup>1</sup> (joined at approximately 12:13pm)
    - Joni Harvey
    - David Crowell (DoD Alternate)
    - Michelle Melancon (staff)
    - Brandon Abley (staff)
  - o Absent:
    - Brooks Shannon<sup>1</sup>
    - Senator Cheryl Kagan<sup>1</sup>
    - Etienne Robelin
    - John Holloway
    - Matthew Ambs
    - Brian Tegtmeyer
    - FCC Representative
  - o Guest(s):
    - None
- Approval of Minutes
  - o August Meeting Minutes
    - Ms. Harvey moved to approve the August meeting minutes
    - Mr. Mertka seconds
    - On a voice vote the motion passes
- PCA Update & Discussion

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Denotes NIOC voting member

- Subscription Pricing
  - Concept for state level pricing
    - Incentive structure was presented for states that desire to purchase PCA subscriptions on behalf of all PSAPs in the state.
      - o Examples reviewed included 75% cost savings to states
    - Mr. McMurrer suggested that the tiering be offered to other regional entities, such as COGs, Districts, etc. which was met with agreement amongst the Commissioners.
    - Discussion around pricing on population vs. ECCs
    - Ms. Melancon will share the proposed pricing model
    - Mr. Marshall suggested that percentage of savings be added to the pricing table
- Potential ICE 2026 Testing
  - Ms. Melancon suggested budget savings from other categories be used to test PKI certifications in NENA ICE events
  - Mr. Mertka shared that this concept has been suggested to the NENA ICE 14
    event
  - Mr. Abley stated that we'll need test cases and PCA participating vendors to support the testing
  - Mr. Mertka stated that NENA ICE Steering Committee will own finding participants and create test cases
- o INF Document Update
  - Updates in progress
  - Zero trust environment concept will be discussed at JCM

# • Forest Guide Update & Discussion

- o Ms. Melancon is pushing Intrado for a general availability date
- o Intrado will provide a target date by the end of September
- Mr. Sehnert suggested that the NIOC Executive team draft a letter to Intrado to explain the critical need of the service and need to move to production by a specific date
- Ms. Melancon offered to draft the letter for the NIOC Executive team to review and edit

### • NIOC Bylaw Language Discussion

o Review of proposed Bylaw changes for Vice Chair role

#### • Commission Vacancy

- Mr. Shannon has determined that he has to step down from NIOC due to his professional workload
- o Mr. Shannon represents the commercial providers of NG9-1-1 end-user products
- o The Commission discussed the Bylaws and means to replace Mr. Shannon and set a plan for back filling his role

## • Interoperability Task Force (ITF) Sub-Committee Update

Mr. Horning shared the Sub-Committee's review of NIOC Bylaws, ITF's RFI, and
after several meetings and work performed by the Sub-Committee, it was reasonable
to suggest to the NIOC could take on an interim role for governing the ITF

- o Mr. McMurrer shared that funding was available from DHS for Texas A&M Lab to support the effort
- o Mr. Horning moved to approve the text shared from the Sub-Committee in exploring next; Mr. Mertka seconds the motion
- o Mr. Sehnert asked how TAMU was chosen as the testing entity. The answer was that DHS had provided funding and is interested in playing that role.
- o Mr. Sehnert shared that if the NIOC chooses to take on the governance role, we should consider the integrity of the choice of testing processes, as well as have well defined success criteria for the testing process and exit criteria for ending the governance role.
- On a voice vote, the motion passes

#### • Commission Member Announcements or Concerns

No announcements or concerns

### • Motion to Adjourn

- o Mr. Sehnert moved to adjourn. Mr. McDowell seconds the motion.
- On a voice vote, the motion passes
- o Meeting adjourned at 1:00pm