

Petition to Modify)
911 Provider for Jackson County)
Emergency Telephone System Board,)
Jackson County, Illinois)

No. 13-0629

VERIFIED PETITION TO MODIFY
911 SYSTEM PROVIDER

Now comes the Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board by its chairperson Ross Bedar and its attorney John R. Clemons, Attorney at Law, and respectfully petitions the Illinois Commerce Commission for approval to modify its plan of operation as an enhanced emergency telephone system serving Jackson County, Illinois as follows:

1. The Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board (JCETSB) respectfully seeks approval to modify its 911 system provider by changing providers from Frontier Communications to NG-911, Inc. and approval of Plan Modification which includes a narrative and exhibits 1-11.

2. The JCETSB first petitioned the Illinois Commerce to establish an E-9-1-1 system for Jackson County, Illinois in October, 1993.

3. The Illinois Commerce Commission approved the application of the JCETSB on February 28, 1994, allowing the JCETSB authorization to implement its 9-1-1 program. Docket No. 93-0020.

4. The JCETSB 9-1-1 system became operational on October 16, 1995.

5. The JCETSB's initial 9-1-1 service provider was GTE.

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6. Through a series of mergers, acquisitions, and renaming, the JCETSB's 9-1-1 system providers changed from GTE to Verizon to Frontier Communications. Frontier is the present authorized 9-1-1 system provider.

7. On January 28, 2013 at a properly convened regular meeting of the JCETSB those members present unanimously voted to petition to modify the 9-1-1 system provider from Frontier Communications to NG-911, Inc.

8. It was the view of the JCETSB that a switch to NG-911, Inc. is in the public interest of the Jackson County 9-1-1 program.

9. NG-911, Inc. is a 9-1-1 system provider in Illinois having been granted authority to so operate by the Illinois Commerce Commission pursuant to Section 13-900 of the Public Utilities Act. See ICC Docket No. 12-0093.

10. The petitioner, the JCETSB, is a governmental entity authorized to provide emergency telephone services and, as such, is a public agency within the meaning of Section 2.01 of the Public Utilities Act.

11. The ICC, pursuant to provisions of the Public Utilities Act, has jurisdiction over the petitioner and the subject matter herein.

12. All duties and responsibilities of the JCETSB are pursuant to statute, 50 ILCS 750/0.01 et seq., and administrative rules, 83 IL Adm. Code 725.

13. The ICC has previously stated that competition with 911 providers might well serve Illinois ETSB's. See ICC Docket 08-0545 Order at VI.(6) of March 17, 2009. JCETSB strongly feels that competition among 911 system providers will serve its program well as the ICC noted in the Order of March 17, 2009.

WHEREFORE, the petitioner, the Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board, Jackson County, Illinois, respectfully requests that the Illinois Commerce Commission enter an order approving the Petition to Modify as requested herein.

JACKSON COUNTY EMERGENCY
TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD (JCETSB)
ROSS BEDAR, Chairperson

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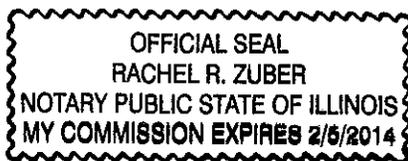
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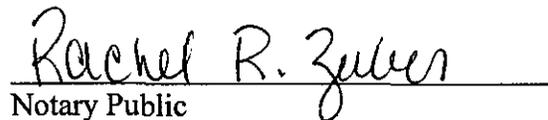
I, Ross Bedar, first being duly sworn under oath, depose and say that I am the chairperson of the Jackson County Emergency Telephone System Board, a government entity, and that I have read the above and foregoing petition by me subscribed and know the contents thereof; that said contents are true in substance and in fact to the best of my knowledge and information. I believe the petition is accurate and true.



Ross Bedar, Chairperson JCETSB

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 4th day of December, 2013.




Notary Public