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Petition to Modify the 911 System Service Provider  
Williamson County Emergency Telephone System Board )

14-0485

**VERIFIED PETITION TO MODIFY THE 911 SYSTEM PROVIDER**

The Williamson County Emergency Telephone System Board (WCETSB) by its  
911 Coordinator Kenneth Smith respectfully petition the Illinois  
Commerce Commission for approval to modify its plan of operation as an enhanced  
emergency telephone system serving Williamson County.

1. The WCETSB seeks approval to modify its system by changing providers from Frontier Communications to NG-911, Inc. and approval of a plan modification which includes a narrative and exhibits 1-12.6
2. The WCETSB first petitioned the ICC to establish its system in January 1997 and the system became operational in September of that same year.
3. The initial provider was GTE, but through a series of mergers, acquisitions and renaming, the provider changed from GTE to Verizon to Frontier.
4. NG-911, Inc. was recognized by the ICC as a system provider in 2012 pursuant to Section 13-900 of the Public Utilities Act (ICC Docket 12-009)
5. The petitioner is a governmental entity authorized to provide emergency telephone services under terms of Section 2.01 of the Public Utilities Act. Duties and responsibilities are pursuant to state 50 ILCS 750/0.01 et seq. and administrative rules 83 IL Adm. Code 725.
6. The ICC, pursuant to that act, has jurisdiction over the petitioner and subject matter herein. The ICC has encouraged competition in 911. See ICC Docket 08-545 Order at VI.(6) of March 17, 2009.
7. On February 7, 2013, the WCETSB voted unanimously to petition the ICC for a plan modification to change providers from Frontier to NG-911, Inc. in order to prepare for the ability to deal with newly emerging technologies.
8. NG-911 Inc. is a 9-1-1 system provider in Illinois having been granted authority to operate by the Illinois Commerce Commission pursuant to Section 13-900 of the Public Utilities Act. See ICC Docket No. 12-0093

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9. The WCETSB is a government entity authorized to provide emergency telephone services and is a public agency under Section 2.01 of the Public Utilities Act. Duties and responsibilities of the WCETSB are pursuant to statute 50 ILCS 750 and administrative rules, 83 IL Adm. Code 725.
10. This plan modification is for implementation of a next generation 9-1-1 system and the ICC has jurisdiction over the petitioner and the subject matter herein.
11. The ICC has stated that competition with 9-1-1 providers might well serve Illinois ETSSBs. ( ICC Docket 08-0545 Order at VI. of March 17, 2009. The WCETSB agrees.

WHEREFORE, the WCETSB respectfully requests that the ICC enter an order approving the petition to modify as requested.

911 Coordinator Kenneth Smith *Kenneth Smith*

VERIFICATION

I, Kenneth Smith, first being duly sworn under oath, depose and say that I am the Coordinator for the Williamson 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. Said contents are true in substance and in fact to the best of my knowledge and information.

Coordinator Kenneth Smith *Kenneth Smith*  
subscribed and sworn before me this 25th day of July, 2014.

Notary Public *Marlene Simpson*



State of Illinois.  
County of Williamson.  
Signed and sworn to before me on this  
25 day of July, 2014.

*Marlene Simpson*  
Notary Public

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