

WABASH COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

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**RESOLUTION
OF
WABASH COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM**

EXHIBIT 12

**BOARD MEMBERS
Larry Blaize - Chairman
Wayne Hocking, Tamara Gould, Robie Thompson, John Lockhart, Derek Morgan, Francis Speth**

ORDINANCE

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has enacted into law the Emergency Telephone System Act (the "Act"); and

WHEREAS, the Act enables counties and municipalities to impose a surcharge upon all telephone subscribers passed through telecommunication carriers at a rate per network connection in order to implement and/or upgrade and maintain a "9-1-1" emergency telephone system; and

WHEREAS, the Act allows the telecommunications carrier collecting the surcharge to deduct three per cent (3%) of the gross amount of surcharge collected; and

WHEREAS, the Act further provides that before the surcharge may be imposed it must be authorized by a majority of the voters in a referendum by the county or municipality; and

WHEREAS, the County Board of Wabash County, Illinois deems it to be in the best interest of the County to implement and/or upgrade and maintain an "Enhanced 9-1-1" emergency telephone system and to impose a surcharge on subscribers collected by the telecommunications carrier to pay for the costs associated therewith.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE COUNTY BOARD OF WABASH COUNTY, ILLINOIS, as follows:

Section One. A surcharge is hereby imposed, subject to the provisions of Section Two, upon all telephone subscribers passed through telecommunications carriers engaged in the business of transmitting messages by means of electricity originating within the corporate limits of Wabash County and terminating within the State of Illinois for funding of an "Enhanced 9-1-1" emergency telephone system.

Section Two. A referendum shall be placed by the County Clerk on the April 1, 1997 ballot for all legal voters residing in the County to vote upon the following question:

Shall the County impose a surcharge of up to Two and 50/100 Dollars (\$2.50), per month, per network connection, which surcharge will be added to the monthly bill you receive for telephone or tele-communications charges for the purpose of installing an "Enhanced 9-1-1" emergency system?

_____ Yes

_____ No

Section Three. If a majority of the votes cast upon the question are in favor thereof, a surcharge is hereby imposed at a rate of Two and 50/100 Dollars (\$2.50), per month, per in-service network connection, as hereinafter defined. A network connection shall not be deemed to be in service where a subscriber's account is uncollectible.

Section Four. For purposes of this Ordinance, the following definitions shall apply:

- a. "Network Connection" means the number of voice grade communication channels directly between a subscriber and a telecommunications carrier's public switched network without the intervention of any other telecommunications carriers switched network which would be required to carry the subscriber's interpremises traffic.
- b. "Transmitting Messages" shall have the meaning ascribed to the term in Section 8-11-2 of the Illinois Municipal Code.
- c. "Telecommunications Carrier" means any natural individual, firm, trust, estate, partnership, association, joint stock company, joint venture, corporation, municipal corporation or political subdivision of this State, or a receiver, trustee, conservator or other representative appointed by order of any court engaged in the business of transmitting messages by means of electricity.
- d. For the purposes of this Act, "telecommunication carrier" does not include a cellular or other mobile communication carrier.

Section Five. The County Clerk shall provide any telecommunication carrier subject to the surcharge with a certified list of those network connections assigned to the County to be exempt from imposition of the surcharge. The certified list may be revised by the County on sixty (60) days' prior written notice provided to the telecommunication carriers.

Section Six. The surcharge shall be imposed on the first day of the month following the expiration of ninety (90) days from the date the County Clerk certifies to the individual telecommunication carriers subject to the surcharge that the referendum referred to in Section Two has passed.

Section Seven. In lieu of the telecommunication carriers imposing a three per cent (3%) accounting and collection charge on its subscribers as permitted under the Act, each telecommunications carrier is hereby authorized and instructed to recover said accounting and collection charge by deducting three per cent (3%) from the gross amount of surcharge collected otherwise due and owing the County prior to remittance under Section Eight of this Ordinance.

Section Eight. The amount of surcharge collected by the telecommunications carrier shall be paid to the particular municipality or county or Joint Emergency Telephone System Board not later than thirty (30) days after the surcharge is collected, net of any network or other 9-1-1 or sophisticated 9-1-1 system charges then due the particular telecommunication carrier, as shown on an itemized bill and the three per cent (3%) accounting and collection charge described in Section Seven.

Section Nine. Simultaneously with the remittance described in Section Eight above, each telecommunication carrier shall make a return to the County Treasurer for

the period to which the remittance applies, stating as follows:

1. The name of the telecommunication carrier.
2. The telecommunication carrier's principal place of business.
3. The number of network connections to which the surcharge applies.
4. The amount of surcharge due.
5. Such other reasonable and related information as the corporate authorities may require.

Section Ten. If it shall appear that an amount of surcharge has been paid which was not due under the provisions of this Ordinance, whether as the result of a mistake of fact or an error of law, then such amount shall be credited against any surcharge due, or to become due, under this Ordinance from the telecommunication carrier who made the erroneous payments; provided that no amounts erroneously paid more than three (3) years prior to the filing of a claim therefor shall be so credited. Ninety (90) days' prior notice shall be given to the Emergency Telephone System Board on any credit against a surcharge due.

Section Eleven. No action to recover any amount of surcharge due under the provisions of this Ordinance shall be commenced more than three (3) years after the due date of such amount.

Section Twelve. If any section, sub-section, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance is for any reason held invalid or unconstitutional by any Federal or State court, or administrative or governmental agency of competent jurisdiction, such portion shall be deemed a separate, distinct and independent provision, and such holding shall not affect the validity of the remaining portions thereof.

This Ordinance shall become effective immediately upon execution thereof.

1-24-97

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF
WABASH COUNTY

By: Joe McGuire
JOE McGUIRE, Chairman

ATTEST:

Marie Kolb
MARIE KOLB, Wabash County Clerk

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**WABASH COUNTY 9-1-1
ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING
EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD**

EXHIBIT 12.1

BOARD MEMBERS

Larry Blaize - Chairman

Wayne Hocking, Tamara Gould, Robie Thompson, John Lockhart, Derek Morgan, Francis Speth

ORDINANCE # 17-3

**AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING AN EMERGENCY TELEPHONE
SYSTEM BOARD IN WABASH COUNTY, ILLINOIS**

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has enacted into law the Emergency Telephone System Act (Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 50, Paragraph 750/0.01 et seq. (1992), hereinafter referred to as the "Act"; and

WHEREAS, the Act mandates the establishment of an Emergency Telephone System Board by the County Board of any County that imposes a surcharge pursuant to Section 15.3 of the Act; and

WHEREAS, the majority of the legal voters in Wabash County, Illinois, voting on the referendum presented to them at the April 1, 1997 Primary Election voted in favor of the imposition of the surcharge; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Commissioners of the County of Wabash, State of Illinois, hereinafter referred to as "County Board", pursuant to the provisions of the aforesaid Act, and the results of the aforesaid Primary Election, must now create and establish an Emergency Telephone System Board,

**NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT ORDAINED BY THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
OF THE COUNTY OF WABASH, STATE OF ILLINOIS, AS FOLLOWS:**

SECTION 1: ESTABLISHED. An Emergency Telephone System Board of the County of Wabash, State of Illinois, is hereby established in accordance with the Act, and shall be known as the Wabash County Emergency Telephone System Board, hereinafter referred to as "WCETSB".

SECTION 2: COMPOSITION. The WCETSB shall consist of seven (7) members, who shall be appointed by the Chairman of the County Board of Wabash County, Illinois, with the advice and consent of the other members of the County Board. Said members of the WCETSB shall consist

of an "at large" person, one member from the Wabash County Commissioners Board, and at least (but not limited to) three members representing Emergency Services of Wabash County. All members must be residents of Wabash County, Illinois.

SECTION 3: TERM OF OFFICE. There shall be no limit to the number of terms a member may serve on the Emergency Telephone System Board. All seven original appointments shall remain in effect for a minimum period of four (4) years from date of appointment, that being May 9, 1997. On the anniversary of the fourth year, three new appointments shall be made by the County Board Chairman to serve three year terms. On the anniversary of the fifth year, another three appointments shall be made to serve three year terms. On the sixth anniversary, the County Board Chairman shall appoint one individual to Emergency Telephone System Board for a three-year term. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term in a similar manner as original appointments.

SECTION 4: POWERS AND DUTIES. The WCETSB shall have the power and duty to perform the following:

- A. Planning a 9-1-1 system;
- B. Coordinating and supervision of the implementation, upgrading and maintenance of the 911 system, including the establishment of equipment specifications and efforts, operations, cost sharing, expenditure approval, utilization of personnel and equipment in accordance with the policies established by the ETSB and the applicable law.
- C. Receiving monies from the surcharge imposed pursuant to the Ordinance of the County Board passed on January 24, 1997, and from any other source, for deposit into the Emergency Telephone System Fund;
- D. Authorizing all disbursements from the fund;
- E. Hiring any staff necessary for the implementation or upgrade of the 9-1-1 system and

provide for the compensation of such staff.

F. Depositing all monies received by the WCETSB pursuant to the surcharge into a separate interest bearing Emergency Telephone System Fund Account of which the duly elected Treasurer of Wabash County, Illinois, is custodian, and causing all interest accruing from said fund to remain in said fund except by resolution passed by a majority of all members of the WCETSB, which expenditures are to be made only to pay for costs associated with the following:

1. The design of the Emergency Telephone System;
2. The coding of an initial Master Street Address Guide Database, and update and maintenance thereof;
3. The repayment of any monies advanced for the implementation of the system;
4. The charges for Automatic Number Identification and Automatic Location Identification equipment, maintenance, replacement and update thereof;
5. The non-recurring charges related to installation of the Emergency Telephone System and the ongoing network charges;
6. Other products and services including personnel costs necessary for the implementation, upgrade and maintenance of the system and any other purpose related to the operation of the system, including costs directly attributable to the construction, leasing, or maintenance of any buildings or facilities or costs of personnel attributable directly to the operation of the system. Cost directly attributable to the operation of any emergency telephone system do not include the costs of public safety agency personnel who are and equipment that is dispatched in response to an emergency call.

G. The WCETSB shall complete the Master Street Address Guide Database before implementation of the 9-1-1 system, which error rate of such database shall not, at any time, exceed

1% of the total database.

SECTION 5: REMOVAL. Members of the WCETSB shall serve at the pleasure of the County Board and may be removed for:

- A. Unexcused failure to attend three (3) successive monthly meetings; or
- B. Unexcused failure to attend any four (4) out of twelve (12) successive monthly meetings.

Removal of any WCETSB Board Member shall be done with the advice and consent of the majority of the WCETSB.

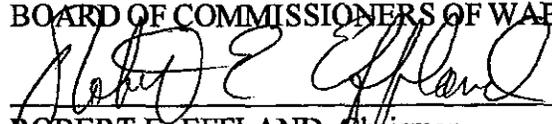
SECTION 6: MEETINGS. The WCETSB shall prescribe the time and place of the regularly scheduled WCETSB meetings and the manner in which special meetings of the WCETSB may be called. It shall sit with open doors and shall keep a journal of its own proceedings, which shall be made available for public inspection. Regularly scheduled meetings are to be published in the newspaper. All such meetings shall be held pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Act (Illinois Compiled Statutes, Chapter 5, Paragraph 120/1 et seq. (1992).

SECTION 7: EFFECTIVE DATE. This Ordinance becomes effective immediately upon its passage and adoption by the County Board.

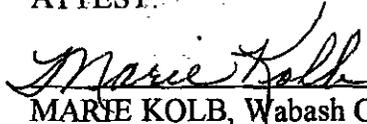
APPROVED AND ADOPTED at a regular meeting of the Board of Commissioners of Wabash County, Illinois, this 16th day of October, 2000.

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF WABASH CO.

BY:


ROBERT E. EFFLAND, Chairman

ATTEST:


MARIE KOLB, Wabash County Clerk

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**WABASH COUNTY 9-1-1
MINUTES OF AUGUST, 2014 MEETING
TO FILE MODIFICATION OF
911 SYSTEM PROVIDER**

EXHIBIT 12.2

BOARD MEMBERS

**Charles K. Sanders - Chairman
Melvin Hocking, Tamara Gould, Larry Blaize, John Lockhart, Joe Keeling, Francis Speth**

WABASH COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

August 12, 2014

The Emergency Telephone System Board met at the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, August 12, 2014, at 5:00 p.m.

Charles Sanders, Chairman
Larry Blaize
John Lockhart
Francis Speth

Wayne Hocking
Karissa Anderson, Secretary Pro-Tempore
Kyle Smith, E-911 Coordinator

Chairman Charles Sanders called the meeting to order.

Minutes:

Larry Blaize made a motion to approve the meeting minutes and the Executive minutes from June 10; Wayne Hocking seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Kyle updated the Board concerning the Counties of Southern Illinois (CSI) project. He reported about the ICC plan modification for the NG911. Kyle is waiting on some updated information concerning the NG911, once the information is received he will be ready to pre-file our application. Jackson County is set to go live on September 23 with testing of the system to start soon. The City of Marion, Williamson, Saline, and Gallatin & Perry Counties have filed their applications and will have their ICC pre-trials soon. Johnson County will pre-file next week.

Coordinator Status Report: Kyle stated that the mapping had not been working properly. He found a setting that was incorrect. This corrected the problem, and the mapping is now working properly. He also set up a one-button transfer option within the software for Dispatchers to utilize. Kyle reported that Mt. Carmel Public Utility is working out issues with addresses for river camps. He has finished ISO for the Mt. Carmel Fire Department, which is required by their insurance company. Kyle informed the Board that he has gotten the final amount of increased funds due to legislation recently passed. Wabash County's increase in funds will be \$31,383, which should start in September. Kyle will be notifying Mike Gidcumb to discuss issues with incorrect addressing in alleys. The new paging system for Allendale Fire is up and working properly. The Board did not receive the grant to help pay for address signs for structures in the county, another method will need to be found to help in purchasing structure signage.

John Lockhart reported to the Board concerning the signage outside of the Dispatch Center. He has talked with the Sheriff, and he is thinking about how to pay for his portion. The City's portion will be paid for by a donation from the community.

Kyle reported that he worked with Larry Blaize to take care of the FCC License. Some changes were made which included taking off the coordinates of a tower that no longer there. There is a backlog of applications, but it has been submitted.

New Business:

The Board has signed the contract with the NG-911 for the ICC Plan Modifications. A motion and a vote must be taken to approve the modifications to the agreement. Larry Blaize made a motion to

file a plan modification with ICC, which includes the change of 911 system service provider to NG-911, Inc., replacing Frontier Communications; Francis Speth seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Wabash Telephone Cooperative sent an incorrect bill last month. The bill was paid last month, but this month's bill will be sent before the check was received by them. The Cooperative has raised their price for the 22 lines they provide. It currently costs us more to provide them with 911 service. Kyle stated that he suggested the possibility of opting out of providing service to Brown, and have them serviced by Edwards County. He stated this might be something to think about after we go live with NG-911. Vernon Henze stated that he would be opposed to this decision, because he is someone who petitioned to be changed from Browns district.

The IPSTA Conference will be held in Springfield in October. Coordinator Smith asked for permission to attend the Conference. The Board felt this would be a beneficial conference to attend.

Discussion was brought before the Board concerning EMD Rocker patches for Dispatchers. The cost of the patches are \$3. John Lockhart stated that he thought the Dispatchers should have them. John will check to see if they want them.

Kyle reported to the Board concerning the county road signs. He stated that the individual who does the replacement/repairs on the signs has a list of those signs that need fixed and he will begin working on those.

The third dispatch computer is very old and is not performing well. It was decided to dispose of the computer and replace it with another computer.

Discussion ensued concerning the manning of the call boxes during an outage. Currently there is not a set pay for this job. Larry Blaize made a motion to pay \$25/hour for the manning of call boxes with the policy that if the time is greater than 30 minutes to be rounded up to the next hour, and less than 30 rounded down; Wayne Hocking seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Bills:

Francis Speth made a motion to pay the bills and accept the cash flow statement; Larry Blaize seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

John Lockhart made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Larry Blaize seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:32 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karissa Anderson
Secretary Pro-Tempore

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WABASH COUNTY 9-1-1

**MINUTES OF DECEMBER 2014 MEETING REAFFIRMING THE 2009
APPROVAL OF THE AGREEMENT FOR JOINT PURCHASE
OF EQUIPMENT WITH CSI**

EXHIBIT 12.3

BOARD MEMBERS

**Charles K. Sanders - Chairman
Melvin Hocking, Tamara Gould, Larry Blaize, John Lockhart, Joe Keeling, Francis Speth**

WABASH COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

December 9, 2014

The Emergency Telephone System Board met at the Wabash County Courthouse on Tuesday, December 9, 2014, at 5:24 p.m.

Larry Blaize, Vice-Chairman	Derek Morgan
Wayne Hocking	Robie Thompson
Tamara Gould	Karissa Anderson, Secretary Pro-Tempore
John Lockhart	Kyle Smith, E-911 Coordinator

Vice-Chairman Larry Blaize called the meeting order with the addition of new Board members, Derek Morgan and Robie Thompson.

Election of Officers:

Wayne Hocking made a motion to nominate and elect Larry Blaize as Chairman of the ETSB; Tamara Gould seconded the motion. Motion carried.

John Lockhart made a motion to nominate and elect Wayne Hocking as Secretary; Larry Blaize seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Coordinator Kyle Smith informed the Board that a motion is needed to re-affirm their commitment with the Counties of Southern Illinois (CSI). John Lockhart made a motion to re-affirm the Wabash County ETSB's commitment of an intergovernmental agreement for joint purchase of equipment with Counties of Southern Illinois (CSI); Wayne Hocking seconded the motion. Motion carried.

New Business:

Discussion ensued concerning the Nelson Systems Maintenance Agreement. Kyle stated this covers the software and hardware on the recording system. It was agreed that this is needed, and is to be added to the claims for December.

Coordinator Smith brought before the Board information about Emergitech training. He stated that there are two trainings. The User training will be February 12 and 13, and the Administration training is February 10 and 11. Tamara Gould made a motion to have the Coordinator attend the Emergitech Administration training on February 10 and 11; John Lockhart seconded the motion. Motion carried.

Adjournment:

Wayne Hocking made a motion to adjourn the meeting; Derek Morgan seconded the motion. Motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 5:37 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,

Karissa Anderson
Secretary Pro-Tempore

Wayne Hocking
Secretary

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**WABASH COUNTY 9-1-1
AGREEMENT WITH COUNTIES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (CSI)
FOR PURCHASE OF EQUIPMENT**

EXHIBIT 12.4

BOARD MEMBERS

Larry Blaize - Chairman

Wayne Hocking, Tamara Gould, Robie Thompson, John Lockhart, Derek Morgan, Francis Speth

**INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT FOR USE OF
NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1 EQUIPMENT**

This AGREEMENT is made and entered into by and between the following emergency telephone system boards and municipality:

Alexander County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
City of Marion, Illinois
Clay County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Franklin County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Gallatin County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board (Dispatched by Saline County)
Jackson County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Jefferson County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Johnson County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Massac County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Perry County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Pulaski County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Randolph County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Richland County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Saline County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Union County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Wabash County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
White County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board
Williamson County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System Board

hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Participating 9-1-1 Programs," for the purpose of jointly purchasing appropriate next generation 9-1-1 emergency equipment, services, and using said equipment together to provide emergency telephone services within their respective service areas.

WHEREAS, the Constitution of the State of Illinois, 1970, Article VII, Section 10, authorizes units of local government to contract or otherwise associate among themselves in any manner not prohibited by law or ordinance; and

WHEREAS, 5 ILCS 220/1 (West 2006) *et seq.* entitled the "Intergovernmental Cooperation Act", provides that any power or powers, privileges or authority exercised or which may be exercised by a public agency of this State may be exercised and enjoyed jointly with any other public agency of the State; and

WHEREAS, the State of Illinois has enacted into law the "Emergency Telephone System Act" at 50 ILCS 750/01 (West 2006) *et. seq.*; and

WHEREAS, each of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs has previously established a 9-1-1 emergency telephone system in their respective areas of operation pursuant to law; and

WHEREAS, the Participating 9-1-1 Programs have each determined that the technology necessary to operate a 9-1-1 emergency telephone system is rapidly advancing and changing; and

WHEREAS, the technology available now is capable of serving multiple jurisdictions and agencies and can be purchased at a lower cost by joint purchase and operation; and

WHEREAS, each of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs has determined it is in the best interests of their respective programs and the citizens they serve, to join together with each other to purchase appropriate next generation 9-1-1 equipment, services, and use said equipment together; and

WHEREAS, each of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs have authorized and directed the execution of this AGREEMENT;

NOW THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual agreements, promises, and covenants set forth herein and the above and foregoing recitals which are made part of this agreement, the parties agree as follows:

1. ASSOCIATION. The Participating 9-1-1 Programs do hereby establish a cooperative venture for the purchase of next generation 9-1-1 equipment, services, and the joint use and operation of the jointly purchased equipment. The association shall be known as Counties of Southern Illinois (hereinafter CSI) which shall consist of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs and any other 9-1-1 emergency telephone systems which may hereinafter become participating 9-1-1 programs.

2. NEXT GENERATION 9-1-1. The term "next generation 9-1-1" shall mean for purposes of this Agreement the same definition contained in the Master Glossary of 9-1-1 Terminology of the National Emergency Number Association being:

Next Generation 9-1-1 is the next evolutionary step in the development of the 9-1-1 emergency communications systems known as E9-1-1 since the 1970s. Next Generation 9-1-1 is a system comprised of managed IP-based networks and elements that augment present-day E9-1-1 features and functions and add new capabilities. Next Generation 9-1-1 will eventually replace the present E9-1-1 system. Next Generation 9-1-1 is designed to provide access to emergency services from all sources, and to provide multimedia data capabilities for PSAPs and other emergency service organizations.

3. BY-LAWS. CSI shall be subject to and shall be governed by the attached By-Laws which are marked as Exhibit A and made a part hereof together with any amendments which may be made to the said By-Laws in the manner therein set forth.

4. PARTICIPATION. Each Participating 9-1-1 Program and any future participating programs are to actively participate and share equally in the assets and equipment of CSI. This includes equally sharing any grant monies received to purchase, maintain, and operate any next generation 9-1-1 equipment.

5. LACK OF ACTIVE PARTICIPATION. Any Participating 9-1-1 Program that does not actively share in the work and responsibilities of CSI shall not benefit from the assets of CSI.

6. POWERS AND LIMITATIONS. It is intended by this Agreement that CSI be an association charged by the Participating 9-1-1 Programs with the task of securing funding to jointly purchase appropriate next generation 9-1-1 equipment, services, and use said equipment for the benefit of all of the 9-1-1 emergency service programs of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs. As such, each Participating 9-1-1 Program (the parties to this Agreement) do not relinquish any of their powers, duties, responsibilities or operation of their respective 9-1-1 programs to CSI. CSI shall have the authority to purchase equipment and services, to seek funds to do so, and shall account to the Participating 9-1-1 Programs for all funds received and spent as well as to any entity providing funding. CSI has the power to incur reasonable expenses to facilitate the intended purpose of this Agreement, but cannot and shall not ever bind or incur liability for any of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs without the express written permission of such Program or Programs.

7. ACQUISITION AND OWNERSHIP OF EQUIPMENT. Any acquisition of equipment or services by CSI is to facilitate this Agreement. Actual ownership of equipment is by all of the Participating 9-1-1 Programs (the parties hereto) in equal shares.

8. TERMINATION. Any Participating 9-1-1 Program may withdraw from this Agreement and cease to be a part of the association, CSI, by mailing written notice of its intention to withdraw to all parties to this Agreement. A withdrawing participant or party hereto and a removed participant is not entitled to any of the assets acquired by CSI and will expressly forfeit its undivided share of assets of the 9-1-1 program.

9. ASSIGNMENT. This agreement may not be assigned by any party.

10. ENTIRE AGREEMENT. This Agreement contains the entire agreement of the parties and there are no other promises or conditions in any other agreement whether oral or written. This agreement supersedes any prior written or oral agreements between the parties.

11. AMENDMENT. This Agreement may not be modified or amended unless the amendment is made in writing and is signed by all parties.

12. SEVERABILITY. If any provision of this Agreement shall be held to be invalid or unenforceable for any reason, the remaining provisions shall continue to be valid and enforceable. If a court finds that any provisions of this agreement is invalid or unenforceable, but that by limiting such provision it becomes valid and enforceable, then such provision shall be deemed to be written, construed, and enforced as so limited.

13. WAIVER OF CONTRACTUAL RIGHT. The failure of either party to enforce any provision of this Agreement shall not be construed as a waiver or limitation of that party's right to subsequently enforce and compel strict compliance with every provision of this Agreement.

14. LAW OF ILLINOIS. This agreement shall be governed in all respects by the laws of the State of Illinois.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have hereunto caused this Agreement to be executed on the dates so indication.

WABASH COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: Charles K Sanders
Chairperson

Date: 4/14/2009

MARION COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: 3-23-2010

CITY OF MARION, ILLINOIS

By: Robert L. Butler
Mayor

Date: 5/1/09

CLAY COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: *Kenneth A. Little*
Chairperson

Date: 4/2/09

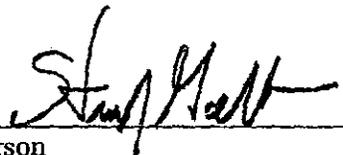
Intergovernmental Agreement For The Use Of
Next Generation 911 Equipment

Johnson County, Illinois Emergency Telephone System
Board

By: Thomas E. Lee
Chairperson

Date : 16 April 2009

GALLATIN COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: 12/13/09

JACKSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: 4/20/09

MASSAC COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: 3/20/09

PERRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By  _____
Chairperson

Date: 4-8-2009

PULASKI COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: Donald E. Hayes
Chairperson

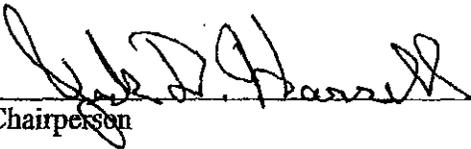
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ALEXANDER COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: Jeffery S. Retzold
Chairperson

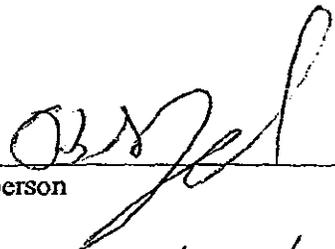
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RICHLAND COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: April 15, 2009

SALINE COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: 04/14/09

UNION COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: 
Chairperson

Date: 04-01-09

WHITE COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: Ray A. Kinard
Chairperson

Date: 5/18/09

WILLIAMSON COUNTY, ILLINOIS EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

By: Tom Cunniff
Chairperson

Date: 05/27/09

WABASH COUNTY EMERGENCY TELEPHONE SYSTEM BOARD

**Kyle E Smith
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**WABASH COUNTY 9-1-1
COUNTIES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS (CSI)
BY-LAWS**

EXHIBIT 12.5

BOARD MEMBERS

Larry Blaize - Chairman

Wayne Hocking, Tamara Gould, Robie Thompson, John Lockhart, Derek Morgan, Francis Speth

**BY-LAWS
OF
COUNTIES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS**

**ARTICLE I
DECLARATION AND PURPOSE**

The Participating 9-1-1 Programs have organized as a Not for Profit Organization. The goal of the 9-1-1 Coordinators and Directors in southern Illinois is to plan for a public safety broadband network that would allow the creation of a Next Generation capable regional 9-1-1 system. The 16 Emergency Telephone System Boards have come together through the execution of an intergovernmental agreement to formally pursue a regional Next Generation system. The organization shall be known as the Counties of Southern Illinois hereinafter referred to as CSI.

**ARTICLE II
POWERS**

The powers and duties of CSI have been established in the intergovernmental agreement titled "Intergovernmental Agreement for Use of Next Generation 9-1-1 Equipment" signed by the Participating Emergency Telephone System Boards.

**ARTICLE III
CSI COMMITTEE**

SECTION 1. Membership. CSI membership shall consist of the 16 individual emergency telephone system board coordinators or directors as collectively referred to in the Intergovernmental Agreement as Participating 9-1-1 Programs. The group shall meet as a committee.

SECTION 2. Office. The regular business office and mailing address for CSI shall be as designated by the CSI Committee from time to time as necessary, by resolution of the Committee.

SECTION 3. Regular Meetings. CSI shall conduct regular meetings at the Williamson County 9-1-1 Office on the third Wednesday of each month. Meetings shall begin at 9 a.m. Meeting times and locations may be changed by a majority vote of CSI.

SECTION 4. Special Meetings. Special meetings of CSI may be called with advance notice to the entire membership of at least 48 hours, by a majority vote of the Executive Board. Special Meetings may be attended by conference call.

SECTION 5. Notice. Notice of regular and special meetings shall be given 48 hours in advance of the meeting by mail or email or fax in written form and posted at the principal office of CSI with a proposed agenda.

SECTION 6. Quorum. The majority (9) of the members of CSI shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meeting of CSI.

SECTION 7. Voting. Each member of CSI shall have one vote. Transactions requiring CSI membership approval shall be completed by simple majority vote. Members unable to attend a meeting having to do with the business of CSI may send the ETSB Chairman or designee (who shall be a current member of the ETSB) in their absence. Alexander and Pulaski Counties shall have individual votes.

SECTION 8. Manner of Acting. The act of a majority of the CSI members present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of CSI, unless the act of a greater number is required in these by-laws.

SECTION 9. Conduct of Meetings. CSI shall determine who chairs its meetings.

ARTICLE IV OFFICERS

SECTION 1. Officers. The officers of CSI shall be a chairman, project manager, treasurer, and a secretary. Officers whose authority and duties are prescribed in these by-laws shall have the authority and perform the duties prescribed, from time to time, by CSI.

SECTION 2. Election and Term of Office. The officers of CSI shall be elected annually by the membership at the regular meeting in January or as soon as possible after formation of CSI. If the election of officers shall not be held at such meeting, such election shall be held as soon thereafter as conveniently may be. Vacancies may be filled or additional offices created and filled at any meeting of CSI. Each officer shall hold office until his or her successor shall have been duly elected and shall have qualified or until his or her death or until he or she shall resign or shall have been removed in the manner hereinafter provided.

SECTION 3. Chairman. The chairman shall be the principal executive officer of CSI. Subject to the direction and control of the membership, he or she shall be in charge of the business and affairs of CSI; he or she shall see that the resolutions and directives of CSI are carried into effect except in those instances in which that responsibility is assigned to some other person by the committee; and, in general, he or she shall discharge all duties as may be prescribed by the committee. He or she may execute for CSI any documents, or other instruments which CSI has authorized to be executed.

SECTION 4. Project Manager. The project manager shall assist the chairman in the discharge of his or her duties as the chairman may direct and shall perform such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the chairman or CSI including being in charge of all sub-committees of CSI, developing the agenda and assuring that sub-committees are making progress with their assigned tasks. In the absence of the chairman or in the event of his or her inability or refusal to act, the project manager shall perform the duties of the chairman and, when so acting, shall have all the powers of and be subject to all the restrictions upon the chairman.

SECTION 5. Treasurer. The treasurer shall be the principal accounting and financial officer of CSI. He or she shall (a) have charge of and be responsible for the maintenance of adequate books of account for CSI; (b) see to it that CSI properly spends its funds; and (c) perform all the duties incident to the office of treasurer and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the chairman or by the CSI committee. If required by the committee, the treasurer shall give a bond for the faithful discharge of his or her duties in such sum and with such surety or sureties as the committee shall determine.

SECTION 6. Secretary. The secretary shall see to it that (a) minutes of the meetings of the members are taken; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with the provisions of these by-laws or as required by law; (c) be a custodian of the records; (d) keep a register of the post office address of each member which shall be furnished to the secretary by such member; and (e) perform all duties incident to the office of secretary and such other duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the chairman or by the committee.

ARTICLE V FISCAL YEAR

The fiscal year of CSI shall be fixed January 01 to December 31.

ARTICLE VI COMPENSATION AND EXPENSES

SECTION 1. Compensation. No compensations shall be paid to any of the members of CSI.

SECTION 2. Expenses. The CSI members may be reimbursed for their actual and necessary expenses associated with the business and duties of CSI.

**ARTICLE VII
SUB-COMMITTEES**

CSI may create any sub-committees of its membership to accomplish its tasks.

**ARTICLE VIII
AMENDMENTS**

The power to alter, amend, or repeal the by-laws shall be by simple majority vote. Amendments shall be presented to the membership in writing at least 21 days prior to any action taken by the membership.

**ARTICLE IX
PROCEDURE**

All meetings shall operate procedurally by use of Robert's Rules of Order, Revised in its most recent edition.

**ARTICLE X
REMOVAL OF MEMBERS**

All members are assigned duties relating to the planning and tasks of CSI. Failure to perform assigned tasks on a repeated basis and failure to attend three consecutive meetings is grounds for removal from CSI by a vote of two-thirds of the membership.

EFFECTIVE DATE

These by-laws shall become effective immediately upon adoption by CSI.

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

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**ARTICLES
OF INCORPORATION**

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
General Not For Profit Corporation Act**

Jesse White, Secretary of State
Department of Business Services
501 S. Second St., Rm. 350
Springfield, IL 62756
217-782-9522
www.cyberdriveillinois.com

(STATE OF ILLINOIS) ss. 891
(ILLINOIS) COUNTY }
This instrument of writing was filed for record
this 26 day of Jan 2011
at 10:30 o'clock A. M., and Recorded
in MC Record 328 Page 913
Jesse White
Secretary of State

Remit payment in the form of a
cashier's check, certified check,
money order or Illinois attorney's
or C.P.A.'s check payable
to Secretary of State.

Filed: 12/11/2009 Jesse White Secretary of State

File # 6703-6344 Filing Fee: \$50 Approved: SR

----- Submit in duplicate ----- Type or Print clearly in black ink ----- Do not write above this line -----

Article 1.

Corporate Name: CSI-Counties of Southern Illinois



Article 2.

Name and Address of Registered Agent and Registered Office in Illinois:

Registered Agent: Patrick J Lustig
First Name Middle Name Last Name
Registered Office: 300 N. Park Ave.
Number Street Suite # (P.O. Box alone is unacceptable)
Herrin IL 62948 Williamson
City ZIP Code County

Article 3.

The first Board of Directors shall be four in number, their Names and Addresses being as follows
Not less than three

Director Name	Street Address	City	State	Zip Code
Patrick J. Lustig	303 N. Robinson Cir	Carbondale	IL	62901
Kenneth Smith	300 N. Park Ave.	Herrin	IL	62948
Jana Fear	307 W. Market St.	Jonesboro	IL	62952
Tracy Felty	1 N. Main St.	Harrisburg	IL	62946

Article 4.

Purpose(s) for which the Corporation is organized: CIVIC 050

The Participating 9-1-1 Programs have organized as a consortium and committee by the 9-1-1 Coordinators and Directors in Southern Illinois to plan for a public safety broadband network that would allow the creation of a regional Next Generation capable 9-1-1 system. The 17 Emergency Telephone System Boards and one municipality have come together through the execution of an intergovernmental agreement to formally pursue a regional Next Generation 9-1-1 system. The consortium shall be known as the Counties of Southern Illinois hereinafter referred to as CSI.

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**ARTICLES
OF INCORPORATION**

Is this Corporation a Condominium Association as established under the Condominium Property Act? (check one)
 Yes No

Is this Corporation a Cooperative Housing Corporation as defined in Section 216 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954?
 (check one)
 Yes No

Is this Corporation a Homeowner's Association, which administers a common-interest community as defined in subsection
 (c) of Section 9-102 of the code of Civil Procedure? (check one)
 Yes No

Article 5.

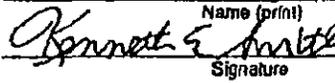
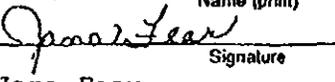
Other provisions (For more space, attach additional sheets of this size.):

Article 6.

Names & Addresses of Incorporators

The undersigned incorporator(s) hereby declare(s), under penalties of perjury, that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Dated November 10, 2009
Month & Day Year

Signatures and Names	Post Office Address
1. <u></u> <small>Signature</small> <u>Patrick J. Lustig</u> <small>Name (print)</small>	1. <u>303 N. Robinson Cir</u> <small>Street</small> <u>Carbondale, IL 62901</u> <small>City, State, ZIP</small>
2. <u></u> <small>Signature</small> <u>Kenneth Smith</u> <small>Name (print)</small>	2. <u>300 N. Park Ave.</u> <small>Street</small> <u>Herrin, IL 62948</u> <small>City, State, ZIP</small>
3. <u></u> <small>Signature</small> <u>Jana Fear</u> <small>Name (print)</small>	3. <u>307 W. Marker St</u> <small>Street</small> <u>Jonesboro, IL 62952</u> <small>City, State, ZIP</small>
4. <u></u> <small>Signature</small> <u>Tracy Felty</u> <small>Name (print)</small>	4. <u>1 N. Main St</u> <small>Street</small> <u>Harrisburg, IL 62946</u> <small>City, State, ZIP</small>
5. _____ <small>Signature</small> _____ <small>Name (print)</small>	5. _____ <small>Street</small> _____ <small>City, State, ZIP</small>

Signatures must be in BLACK INK on the original document.

Carbon copies, photocopies or rubber stamped signatures may only be used on the duplicate copy.

- If a corporation acts as incorporator, the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation shall be shown and the execution shall be by a duly authorized corporate officer. Please print name and title beneath the officer's signature.
- The registered agent cannot be the corporation itself.
- The registered agent may be an individual, resident in Illinois, or a domestic or foreign corporation, authorized to act as a registered agent.
- The registered office may be, but need not be, the same as its principal office.
- A corporation that is to function as a club, as defined in Section 1-3.24 of the "Liquor Control Act" of 1934, must insert in its purpose clause a statement that it will comply with the State and local laws and ordinances relating to alcoholic liquors.

**RULINGS &
AGREEMENTS**

VICE

DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Date: **SEP 03 2010**

CSI-COUNTIES OF SOUTHERN ILLINOIS
C/O PATRICK J LUSTIG
100 N PARK AVE
HERRIN, IL 62948-3199

Employer Identification Number:

27-2228928

DOL:

380236067

Contact Person:

DENNIS C GRUSSER

ID# 17178

Contact Telephone Number:

(877) 829-3500

Accounting Period Ending:

December 31

Public Charity Status:

170(b)(1)(A)(vi)

Form 990 Required: .. .

Yes

Effective Date of Exemption:

December 11, 2009

Contribution Deductibility:

Yes

Addendum Applies:

No

Dear Applicant:

We are pleased to inform you that upon review of your application for tax exempt status we have determined that you are exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code. Contributions to you are deductible under section 170 of the Code. You are also qualified to receive tax deductible bequests, devises, transfers or gifts under section 2055, 2106 or 2522 of the Code. Because this letter could help resolve any questions regarding your exempt status, you should keep it in your permanent records.

Organizations exempt under section 501(c)(3) of the Code are further classified as either public charities or private foundations. We determined that you are a public charity under the Code section(s) listed in the heading of this letter.

Please see enclosed Publication 4221-PC, Compliance Guide for 501(c)(3) Public Charities, for some helpful information about your responsibilities as an exempt organization.

Letter 947 (DO/CG)

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IN ILLINOIS

Sincerely,



Robert Choi
Director, Exempt Organizations
Rulings and Agreements

Enclosure: Publication 4221-PC