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**FCC ANNOUNCES AGENDA FOR APRIL 17-18 WORKSHOP ON**  **TECHNOLOGY TRANSITION AND Public Safety**

**GN Docket No. 13-5**

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) provides an initial agenda and session participant information (subject to change) for the workshop on “Public Safety Imperatives for All-IP Networks” scheduled for April 17, 2014 and April 18, 2014 in Washington, D.C. This workshop was previously announced on March 14, 2014[[1]](#footnote-1) and will explore the impact of the technology transition on key public safety, emergency response, and national security functions.

**AGENDA**

**Day 1: Thursday, April 17, 2014 – Commission Meeting Room (TW-C305)**

9:00 a.m. – 9:30 a.m. **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

**David G. Simpson**, Rear Admiral (Ret.) USN, Chief, Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau (PSHSB), FCC

9:30 a.m. – 9:50 a.m. **Overview of FCC Technology Transition Order**

**Henning Schulzrinne**, Chief Technology Officer, FCC

9:50 a.m. – 10:00 a.m. **Break**

10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. **Session 1: Incident Response During and After the Technology Transition**

*This session will discuss communications requirements for public safety incident response in an all-IP-based infrastructure. Session participants will address incident scenarios that involve multiple 911 communications, dispatch and mutual aid, coordination of multi-functional and multi-jurisdictional response, and issuance of public alerts and warnings.*

*Moderator:*

**David Furth**, Deputy Chief, PSHSB, FCC

*Session Participants:*

**Robert Bunge**, National Weather Service

**John Chiaramonte**, Mission Critical Partners

**Michael Ernst**, AT&T Mobility Services LLC

**Bill Ferretti**, Montgomery County, MD

**Trey Forgety**, National Emergency Number Association (NENA)

**Terry Hall**, Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) International

**Brian Josef**, Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA)

**Jason Lagria**, Asian Americans Advancing Justice

**Timothy Lorello**, TeleCommunication Systems, Inc. (TCS)

**Richard Muscat**, Bexar Metro 911 Network District (Austin, TX)

**Richard Ray**, City of Los Angeles, Department on Disability, Disability  
Access and Services

**John Snapp**, Intrado, Inc.

**Thomas Sorley**, National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC)

**Dorothy Spears-Dean**, Virginia Information Technologies Agency and National Association of State 911 Administrators (NASNA)

**Petr Valkoun**, Commnet Wireless

**Wade Witmer**, Integrated Public Alert and Warning System, Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA)

12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. **Lunch Break**

1:15 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. **Session 2: Disaster Preparedness and Response During and After the Technology Transition**

*This session will examine the challenges that disasters and emergencies bring to an all-IP-based infrastructure and to the operational procedures for each stakeholder. Session participants will discuss IP-based capabilities that can assist with disaster response and life-saving activities, as well as how the transition to IP infrastructure affects restoration of communications services.*

*Moderator:*

**Eric Panketh**, Chief, Operations and Emergency Management Division, PSHSB, FCC

*Session Participants:*

**Tony Bardo**, Hughes Network Systems

**Kevin Breault**, Bandwidth.com

**Kenneth C. Budka**, Alcatel-Lucent

**Michael Ernst**, AT&T Mobility Services LLC

**Trey Forgety**, National Emergency Number Association (NENA)

**Ronald Hewitt**, Office of Emergency Communications, Department of Homeland Security (DHS)

**Steven Johnson**, Johnson Telecom, LLC

**Brian Josef**, Cellular Telecommunications Industry Association (CTIA)

**Brent Lee**, Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) International

**Barry Luke**, National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC)

**Joel Margolis**, Subsentio

**Rosa Mendoza**, Hispanic Technology and Telecommunications Partnership

**Richard Ray,** City of Los Angeles, Department on Disability, Disability Access and Services

**Dorothy Spears-Dean**, Virginia Information Technologies Agency and National Association of State 911 Administrators (NASNA)

**Kelly Williams**, National Association of Broadcasters (NAB)

**Jeff Wittek**, Cassidian

3:15 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. **Break**

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. **Session 3: Cyber Risks to Commercial, Public and Governmental Networks During and After the Transition**

*This session will examine the challenges that cyber exploits pose for public safety communications and operations. Session participants will be presented with various scenarios positing different types of cyber exploits that could disrupt emergency communications and operations in an all-IP environment.*

*Moderator:*

**Jeffery Goldthorp**, Associate Chief, PSHSB, FCC

*Session Participants:*

**Mark Adams**, Northrop Grumman Corporation

**Jefferson England**, Silver Star Communications

**Patrick Flynn**, McAfee, Inc.

**Trey Forgety**, National Emergency Number Association (NENA)

**Mike Gordon**, Lockheed Martin Corporation

**Robert Mayer**, USTelecom

**Phil Roberts**, The Internet Society

**Brian Rosen**, Neustar, Inc.

**Richard Shockey**, SIP Forum

**John Wright**, Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) International

5:30 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. **Concluding Remarks**

**Day 2: Friday, April 18, 2014 [FEDERAL INTERAGENCY PARTICIPANTS ONLY]**

**Session 4: Technology Transition and National Security/Federal Government Systems**

*This session will discuss the impact of the transition on Federal programs and systems, including readiness, reliability, and remediation. Due to the sensitivity of the matter under discussion, this session will be limited to invited federal interagency participants and closed to the public. However, a public synopsis of the session will be made available after the event.*

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**Webcast:** The Commission will provide audio and/or video coverage of the public sessions of the workshop over the Internet from the FCC’s Web page at <http://www.fcc.gov/live>.

**Reasonable Accommodations:** Open captioning will be provided for this event. Other reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities are available upon request. Requests for such accommodations should be submitted via e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or by calling the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418–0530 (voice), (202) 418–0432 (tty). Such requests should include a detailed description of the accommodation needed. In addition, please include a way the FCC can contact you if it needs more information. Please allow as much advance notice as possible; last-minute requests will be accepted, but may be impossible to fill.

**Attendance:** Members of the public are invited to attend all sessions on April 17, 2014. The session on April 18, 2014 will be closed to the public. All attendees are advised to arrive approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the workshop to allow time to go through our security process. Individuals interested in attending this event must pre-register online at <http://transition.fcc.gov/pshs/event-registration.html>. The deadline for pre-registration has been extended to **Tuesday, April 15, 2014**. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many attendees as possible; however admittance will be limited to seating availability.

**Questions:** The audience will have an opportunity to ask questions. We will also be accepting questions on issues presented during the public session discussions via email at [livequestions@fcc.gov](mailto:livequestions@fcc.gov) and Twitter by using “#TechTransitions” hashtag. Depending on the volume of questions and time constraints, session moderators will work to respond to as many questions as possible during the workshop.

**Online Forum:** During and after the workshop, we want to keep the conversation going. To facilitate ongoing dialogue between interested parties, we will host an online discussion forum that can be accessed through the FCC event page at <http://www.fcc.gov/events/technology-transitions-and-public-safety> beginning April 17, 2014. Anyone is welcome to join the dialogue, and all comments will become part of the official record for the GN Docket No. 13-5 proceeding. The forum will be open for comments until close of business on May 1, 2014. We look forward to your contributions.

Comments, reply comments, and ex parte submissions will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Center, Federal Communications

Commission, 445 12th Street, S.W., CY-A257, Washington, D.C., 20554. These documents will also be available via the Commission’s Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). Documents will be available electronically in ASCII, Microsoft Word, and/or Adobe Acrobat. To request information in accessible formats (Braille, large print, electronic files, audio format), send an e-mail to fcc504@fcc.gov or call the FCC’s Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau at (202) 418-0530 (voice), (202) 418-0432 (TTY).

**Website:** Updates to the agenda, as well as session materials will be available on the workshop’s event page at <http://www.fcc.gov/events/technology-transitions-and-public-safety>.

For additional information about the workshop, please contact Priya Shrinivasan, Associate Chief, PSHSB, at (202) 418-7005 or by email: [Priya.Shrinivasan@fcc.gov](mailto:Priya.Shrinivasan@fcc.gov). For media inquiries, please contact Rochelle Cohen at (202) 418-1162 or by email: [Rochelle.Cohen@fcc.gov](mailto:Rochelle.Cohen@fcc.gov).

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1. *FCC Announces Workshop on Technology Transitions and Public Safety*, Public Notice, GN Docket No. 13-5, DA 14-352 (rel. March 14, 2014). [↑](#footnote-ref-1)