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## FCC ANNOUNCES MEMBERSHIP OF THE BROADBAND DEPLOYMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE'S DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY WORKING GROUP

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This Public Notice serves as notice that Federal Communications Commission (Commission) Chairman Ajit Pai has appointed members to serve on the Disaster Response and Recovery Working Group of the Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee (BDAC). The members of this working group are listed in the Appendix.

The BDAC is organized under, and operates in accordance with, the Federal Advisory Committee Act (FACA).<sup>1</sup> The BDAC's mission is to provide advice and recommendations to the Commission on how to accelerate the deployment of high-speed Internet access.<sup>2</sup>

The BDAC's Disaster Response and Recovery Working Group is charged with making recommendations on measures that can be taken to improve resiliency of broadband infrastructure before a disaster occurs, strategies that can be used during the response to a disaster to minimize the downtime of broadband networks, and actions that can be taken to more quickly restore broadband infrastructure during disaster recovery. It is also charged with developing best practices for coordination among wireless providers, backhaul providers, and power companies during and after a disaster.

More information about the BDAC is available at <https://www.fcc.gov/broadband-deployment-advisory-committee>. You may also contact Paul D'Ari, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) of the BDAC, at [paul.dari@fcc.gov](mailto:paul.dari@fcc.gov) or 202-418-1550; or the Deputy DFOs Deborah Salons at [deborah.salons@fcc.gov](mailto:deborah.salons@fcc.gov) or 202-418-0637, or Jiaming Shang at [jiaming.shang@fcc.gov](mailto:jiaming.shang@fcc.gov) or 202-418-1303

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<sup>1</sup> Federal Advisory Committee Act, 5 U.S.C. App. 2.

<sup>2</sup> *FCC Announces the Establishment of the Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee and Solicits Nominations for Membership*, Public Notice, DA 17-100 (Jan. 31, 2017).

## APPENDIX

MEMBERS OF THE DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY  
WORKING GROUP

*\* indicates a member of the Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee*

**Chair:**

Red Grasso, FirstNet State Point of Contact  
*North Carolina Department of Information Technology*

**Vice-Chair:**

Jonathan Adelstein, President & Chief Executive Officer\*  
*Wireless Infrastructure Association*

**Members:**

Andrew Afflerbach, Chief Executive Officer and Director of Engineering, CTC Technology and Energy  
*National Association of Telecommunications Officers and Advisors*

Allen Bell, Distribution Support Manager, Georgia Power Company\*  
*Southern Company*

Megan Bixler, Technical Program Manager for Communications Center and 911 Services  
*Association of Public Safety Communications Officials*

Skylar Ditchfield, Chief Executive Officer  
*GeoLinks*

Patrick Donovan, Senior Director, Regulatory Affairs  
*CTIA*

Tony Fischer, Director, Information Technology  
*City of Germantown, Tennessee*

Monica Gambino, Vice President, Legal  
*Crown Castle*

Larry Hanson, Executive Director\*  
*Georgia Municipal Association*

David Hartshorn, Chief Executive Officer  
*Geeks Without Frontiers*

Greg Hauser, Communications Branch Manager/Statewide Interoperability Coordinator,  
North Carolina Emergency Management Division  
*National Emergency Management Association*

Kurt Jacobs, Corporate Director, Emerging Technology & Solutions  
*JMA Wireless*

Richard Kildow, Director of Business Continuity & Emergency Management  
*Verizon*

Frank Korinek, Director of Government Affairs  
*Motorola*

Wyatt Leehy, Information Technology Manager  
*Great Plains Communications*

David Marshack, Telecommunications Regulatory Lead  
*Loon*

Jim Matheson, Chief Executive Officer\*  
*National Rural Electric Cooperative Association*

Kelly McGriff, Vice President & Deputy General Counsel\*  
*Uniti Group*

Wendy Moser, Commissioner, Colorado Public Utilities Commission  
*National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners*

Alexandra Fernandez Navarro, Commissioner  
*Puerto Rico Public Service Regulatory Board*

John O'Connor, Director, National Coordinating Center for Communications  
*Department of Homeland Security*

Eddie Reyes, Prince William County Emergency Communications Center  
*National Public Safety Telecommunications Council*

Rikin Thaker, Vice President, Telecommunications and Spectrum Policy\*  
*Multicultural Media, Telecom and Internet Council*

Pete Tomczak, Manager, Spectrum Coordination and Clearance  
*FirstNet*

Rocky Vaz, Director of Emergency Management  
*City of Dallas, Texas*

Joseph Viens, Senior Director of Government Affairs  
*Charter*

Debra Wulff, Public Safety Director  
*Confederated Tribes of the Colville Reservation*