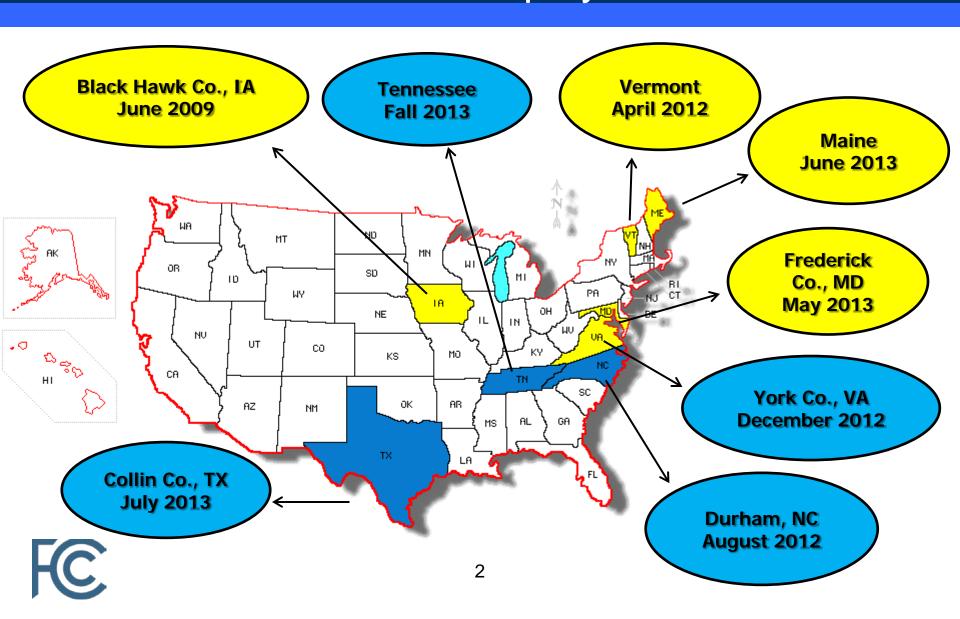
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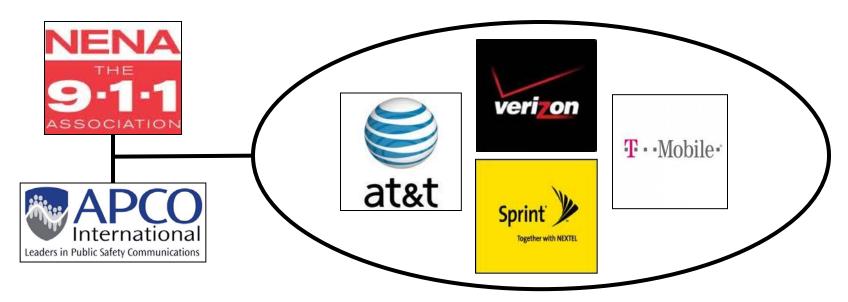
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# Text-to-911 State Trials/Deployments



## Text-to-911 Carrier-NENA-APCO Voluntary Commitment



- ➤ Dec 2012: Carriers will enable text-to-911 on their networks by May 15, 2014
- Based on PSAP request for service
- Quarterly reports to FCC starting <u>July 2013</u>
- Automatic Bounce Back Message capability by <u>June 30</u>, 2013



### Text-to-911

- December 2012 Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking
  - Builds on Carrier-NENA-APCO voluntary commitment
- > Proposed:
  - To require all CMRS providers and interconnected text messaging providers by May 2014 to provide text-to-911 service by PSAP request
  - To require all CMRS and text providers by June 30, 2013 to send automated bounce-back messages to consumers attempting to text 911 when the service is not available



# 2013 Report & Order Text-to-911 Bounce-back Messages

- > May 8, 2013 Report & Order
  - September 30, 2013
  - Requires delivery of an automatic reply text message in situations where a consumer attempts to send a text message to 911 when text-to-911 is not available
- Bounce-back message requirement:
  - Bounce-back message must indicate that text-to-911 is not available and direct the consumer to use another means to contact emergency services
- > Requirement applies to covered text providers:
  - CMRS Providers
  - Providers of interconnected text messaging services that enable consumers to send text messages to and receive text messages from all or substantially all text-capable U.S. telephone numbers

### Outstanding Text-to-911 Issues

➤ Should the Commission require all carriers and interconnected text services to provide text-to-911 service?

What deadlines, if any, should apply?

What technical and cost-based considerations should the Commission consider?

