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FirstNet Releases RFP:

The First Responder Network Authority released a Request For Proposal (RFP) January 13, 2016. The RFP seeks a partnership to build and operate the proposed nationwide public-safety broadband network and sets out the timeline below.

Feb. 12, 2016	Requests for Clarifications/ Questions Due
March 10, 2016	Pre-Proposal Conference
March 17, 2016	Capabilities Statements Due
March 17, 2016	Final Day for Teaming List Additions
April 29, 2016	Proposals Due
Nov. 1, 2016	Estimated Award Date and Day 1 Task Orders
April 30, 2017	Opt-In States Day 1 Task Orders

The contract to be awarded is an IDIQ contract. IDIQ is a U.S. federal government contracting acronym meaning indefinite delivery/indefinite quantity. This is a type of contract that provides for an indefinite quantity of supplies or services during a fixed period of time.



Coming NEXT!

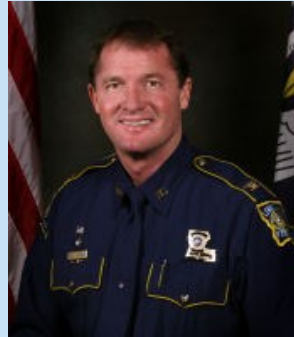
SPOC Meeting
Reston, VA
Week of April 11

Louisiana APCO/NENA Symposium
Lake Charles, LA
April 18-19, 2016

SIEC
Baton Rouge, LA
April 27, 2016

SPOC Update

As Louisiana's SPOC, I will continue to ensure that the unique needs and expectations of our public safety personnel are communicated to FirstNet planners and to their network partner, once chosen through the recently released RFP. Last week I met in New Orleans with FirstNet and Louisiana law enforcement leaders. Network planners heard firsthand the concerns and expectations of Louisiana's law enforcement community. I remain committed to our fire, EMS, 911/PSAP, law enforcement and emergency management communities and will continue to help plan for a network that will serve their needs in every corner of our State.



FirstNet Focus: Request for Proposal (RFP)

FirstNet has met a significant milestone by issuing the RFP. The RFP will pave the way for FirstNet to develop a partnership to deploy the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network. The criteria to be met by potential partners is outlined within the 500 plus page document.

Each potential partner will furnish a comprehensive solution to deploy the network including personnel, materials, services, facilities, management and other resources necessary to perform the objectives set forth in the request. The potential partner will be evaluated by their ability to meet the criteria and build and operate the nationwide public safety network.

There is a new webpage on the LA FirstNet website dedicated to this RFP. The page provides easy access to the text of the RFP, the RFP webinar presentation, and access to the FirstNet reading room with detailed state content. The RFP page is available at this address <http://firstnet.louisiana.gov/rfp/index.html>

Opportunity for Input:

FirstNet has announced their three pronged outreach and consultation approach for 2016. Our LA FirstNet staff will work with them to achieve the following goals:

- Governance Body Outreach—FirstNet is planning to meet with governance bodies in every state and answer any questions about their RFP and the process they are going through to partner with a network partner to build the NPSBN. FirstNet plans to be present at our April 2016 SIEC meeting. Details will be in our next newsletter and on our website firstnet.louisiana.gov
- Executive/Key Stakeholder Outreach—FirstNet is looking to the states to identify who will be critical to the Governor's opt-in or opt-out decision and will make themselves available to work with those stakeholders and through the SPOC to make sure those stakeholders are as informed as possible about FirstNet and the proposed network
- Consultation Task Teams—We will identify discipline specific teams to work with FirstNet to reach out and/or be available to each public safety discipline for issues, questions or concerns.