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Dear Mr. Downes:

The National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) has completed its review of the Office of Emergency Communications (OEC) National Emergency Communications Plan (NECP) Milestone 3.1.36. This milestone addressed the current Federal Government naming convention for the nationwide interoperability channels. These channels are contained in Section 4.3.16 of the NTIA Manual (Manual of Regulations and Procedures for Federal Radio Frequency Management).

NTIA consulted with the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC), and Interdepartment Radio Advisory Committee and concluded that changing the naming convention was not required. The present naming convention is widely used and changing it would not provide any foreseeable benefits. Any naming change would only cause an unnecessary administration burden and updating related regulations or operations documents as well as the radios would waste resources.

NTIA believes that the current naming convention LE and IR contained in Section 4.3.16 of the NTIA Manual should be added to the NPSTC document "Standard Channel Nomenclature for the Public Safety Interoperability Channels". If you have any questions, please contact Tom Woods, 202-482-2608.

Sincerely,

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Enclosure

**Law Enforcement Plans**

| <b>LE VHF PLAN</b> |                              |                             | <b>LE UHF PLAN</b> |                              |                             |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| <b>Identifier</b>  | <b>Mobile Transmit (MHz)</b> | <b>Mobile Receive (MHz)</b> | <b>Identifier</b>  | <b>Mobile Transmit (MHz)</b> | <b>Mobile Receive (MHz)</b> |
| LEA                | 167.0875 (Simplex)           | 167.0875                    | LEB                | 414.0375 (Simplex)           | 414.0375                    |
| LE1                | 162.0875                     | 167.0875                    | LE10               | 418.9875                     | 409.9875                    |
| LE2                | 162.2625                     | 167.2500                    | LE11               | 419.1875                     | 410.1875                    |
| LE3                | 162.8375                     | 167.7500                    | LE12               | 419.6125                     | 410.6125                    |
| LE4                | 163.2875                     | 168.1125                    | LE13               | 414.0625 (Simplex)           | 414.0625                    |
| LE5                | 163.4250                     | 168.4625                    | LE14               | 414.3125 (Simplex)           | 414.3125                    |
| LE6                | 167.2500 (Simplex)           | 167.2500                    | LE15               | 414.3375 (Simplex)           | 414.3375                    |
| LE7                | 167.7500 (Simplex)           | 167.7500                    | LE16               | 409.9875 (Simplex)           | 409.9875                    |
| LE8                | 168.1125 (Simplex)           | 168.1125                    | LE17               | 410.1875 (Simplex)           | 410.1875                    |
| LE9                | 168.4625 (Simplex)           | 168.4625                    | LE18               | 410.6125 (Simplex)           | 410.6125                    |

| <b>IR VHF PLAN</b> |                              |                             |              | <b>IR UHF PLAN</b> |                              |                             |              |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|--------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| <b>Identifier</b>  | <b>Mobile Transmit (MHz)</b> | <b>Mobile Receive (MHz)</b> | <b>CTCSS</b> | <b>Identifier</b>  | <b>Mobile Transmit (MHz)</b> | <b>Mobile Receive (MHz)</b> | <b>CTCSS</b> |
| NC 1 Calling       | 164.7125                     | 169.5375                    | None         | NC 2 Calling       | 419.2375                     | 410.2375                    | None         |
| IR1                | 165.2500                     | 170.0125                    | As required  | IR10               | 419.4375                     | 410.4375                    | As required  |
| IR2                | 165.9625                     | 170.4125                    | As required  | IR11               | 419.6375                     | 410.6375                    | As required  |
| IR3                | 166.5750                     | 170.6875                    | As required  | IR12               | 419.8375                     | 410.8375                    | As required  |
| IR4                | 167.3250                     | 173.0375                    | As required  | IR13               | 413.1875 (Simplex)           | 413.1875                    | As required  |
| IR5                | 169.5375 (Simplex)           | 169.5375                    | As required  | IR14               | 413.2125 (Simplex)           | 413.2125                    | As required  |
| IR6                | 170.0125 (Simplex)           | 170.0125                    | As required  | IR15               | 410.2375 (Simplex)           | 410.2375                    | As required  |
| IR7                | 170.4125 (Simplex)           | 170.4125                    | As required  | IR16               | 410.4375 (Simplex)           | 410.4375                    | As required  |
| IR8                | 170.6875 (Simplex)           | 170.6875                    | As required  | IR17               | 410.6375 (Simplex)           | 410.6375                    | As required  |
| IR9                | 173.0375 (Simplex)           | 173.0375                    | As required  | IR18               | 410.8375 (Simplex)           | 410.8375                    | As required  |