



STATE INTEROPERABILITY EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
A subcommittee of the Information Services Board

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John Powell, Chair
National Public Safety Telecommunications Council Interoperability Committee
8191 Southpark Lane, Unit 205
Littleton, CO 80120-4641

Dear Chairman Powell:

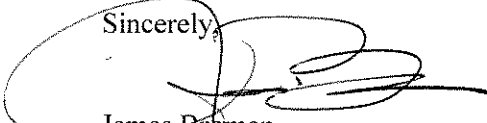
On behalf of the Washington State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC) we would like to extend notice of our support for the National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC) Interoperability Committee's proposal for a common naming scheme for interoperability channels.

The Washington SIEC is an interdisciplinary committee established in state law to ensure that Washington State's investment in radio communications facilities and licensed spectrum are managed to achieve economic efficiencies. The Washington SIEC pursues and promotes statewide interoperability policies and standards, similar to the nomenclature standard proposed by NPSTC that will ensure interoperable emergency communications.

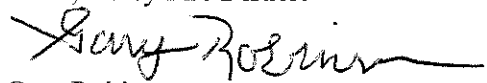
The NPSTC- Regional Planning Committee Channel Naming Task Group Report of Committee, dated February 19, 2007 scheduled for presentation to the NPSTC Governing Board on June 13, 2007 is consistent with Washington State's effort to improve interoperability among public safety officials.

We encourage adoption of the NPSTC plan by the NPSTC Governing Board at its June 13, 2007 meeting. The Washington SIEC concurs with the recommendation of the NPSTC Interoperability Committee and strongly supports standardization of channel nomenclature as an important step toward achieving efficient and effective interoperability between first responders from all levels of government. Universally known channel nomenclature utilized by first responders will enhance integration of effort and contribute toward disaster preparedness, emergency management and public safety.

Sincerely,



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Gary Robinson
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cc. SIEC