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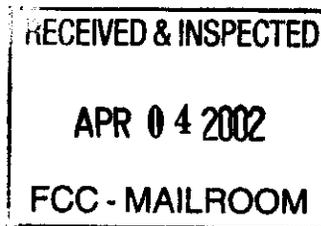
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DuPage Public Safety concurs with and urges the FCC to act on APCO's petition and issue a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on **RM-10077, Modification of section 90.20(c) of the Commission's Rules to Permit Use of Any Certified Public Safety Frequency Coordinator for Channels Below 470MHz.**

Due to frequency congestion in metropolitan areas, public safety agencies are forced to look outside of the Public Safety Pool of frequencies (PW) to provide essential Fire, Police, and EMS services to the Public. The events of September 11, 2001 require additional resources for homeland security.

The ability of Public Safety to directly access other coordinators will not only save money on coordination fees, but most importantly, speed up the application process. This will also be consistent with the FCC's recent ruling that any of the three present coordinators can now coordinate 800MHz public safety channels, for which APCO had previously been the sole coordinator.

Sincerely;

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