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First Quarterly Report by 700 MHz Waiver Recipient – Iowa Statewide Interoperable Communications System Board (ISICSB)

By FCC Waiver Order 10-79, 700 MHz waiver recipients are required to file quarterly reports advising the FCC of progress in build-out of a conditionally approved 700 MHz public safety wireless broadband system. Therefore, ISICSB reports as follows:

I. Planning

A. The ISICSB is working on an RFP and expects to issue it in the latter part of 2010, depending upon the results of our BTOP grant request. It is estimated that once the RFP is issued, it will take approximately 90 days for respondents to submit proposals of the required complexity for this project.

B. Other planning activities have included:

- Accumulating industry information related to the required technology,
- Meeting with FCC and PSST officials,
- Actively participating in PSST, PSCR and related working groups,
- Coordination with the Governor's office, and legislature, which is out of session at this time,
- Coordination with neighboring states,
- Communicating with public safety officials within Iowa.

II. Funding

A. The ISICSB has applied for BTOP grant funds for our wireless broadband public safety project under the re-opening of Round 2, June 1 – July 1, 2010. We have also been meeting with the Governor's office and several state legislators regarding funding legislation when the legislature reconvenes in January, 2011.

B. The ISICSB funding plan is critically dependent upon the success of a BTOP grant award to start the build-out of this project. Once the results of that grant application are determined, the ISICSB and officials in Iowa will be in a



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better position to more accurately determine the remaining required funds and examine funding solutions.

III. Deployment

A. No RFP has been issued, nor equipment purchased to date, as these actions are dependent upon the results of our BTOP application.

Site development, including use of existing towers

A. Approximately 94 sites currently exist in the project area, but require access and upgrades.

B. In the proposed system build-out, there are approximately 40 new sites which may be needed. At this stage in our process, ISICSB cannot estimate what additional time, if any, for permitting might possibly delay deployment.

C. At this time, there are no presently known rights of way issues related to the sites which could pose jurisdictional issues and result in delays.

D. No additional site acquisitions or developments are planned until the results of the BTOP application are known.

Deployments and upgrades (commencement and completion), including site information and location

A. Expected construction/deployment timeline is dependent upon the results of the BTOP application.

B. After consultation with the FCC, the ISICSB will not be submitting an Interoperability Showing by July 19, 2010 as we are not in a position for immediate build-out. That is dependent upon BTOP grant funding.

C. The proposed network will be accessible to all public safety entities in the project area.

Applications in development or in use

A. There are no applications in development or in use at this time.

Respectfully submitted,

James Bogner
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