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OTT Text to Emergency

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Agenda

- » Overview of OTT Text ecosystem
- » OTT to SMS comparison
- » OTT and SMS 9-1-1 standards
- » Challenges with OTT text solutions
- » Proposed solution

OTT Messaging Statistics

- » TCS estimates that OTT messages exceeds carrier-based SMS messages in the US by approximately 142 billion per month versus 92 billion per month

OTT Messaging Providers	Global Users (Millions)	Messages Sent per Month (Billions)	Primary Markets	% US (TCS estimate)	US OTT Messages Sent (Billions per Month)
WhatsApp	350	330	Global	10%	33
Blackberry Messenger	80	300	Global	10%	30
Facebook Messenger	874	300	Global	15%	45
LINE	300	210	Japan, Expanding Global	0%	0
KaKao Talk	100	156	South Korea	0%	0
Apple iMessage	250	60	Global	35%	21
Nimbuzz	150	51	Global	6%	3
Kik Messenger	90	18	North America	50%	9
Viber	200	12	Global	5%	1
WeChat	236	Not Reported	China	0%	0
Google+	300	Not Reported	Global	10%	-
Skype	299	Not Reported	Global	10%	-
Samsung ChatON	100	Not Reported	Global	5%	-
Total OTT	3,329	1,437			142
US SMS Monthly Messages (CTIA)					92

Note: Not meant to be an exhaustive list. Based on reported company data and other reported information

Note: Users are generally reported as active monthly users of the service

Note: LINE, Viber, Samsung and KiK report registered users and not active users

Note: Facebook users are monthly active mobile users

Note: Google+ users are total users of Google+ and not just its messaging service

Note: Skype users are total users of Skype service and not just its messaging service

Note: US SMS messages per month sent based on CTIA's reported 2.2 trillion US SMS messages sent and received in 2012



OTT Text-Centric Apps

Cross-platform

- » Google Talk 
- » WhatsApp 
- » Viber 
- » Kakao 

Jabber/XMPP based

- » Adium 
- » Beejive IM 
- » +97 more@

<http://xmpp.org/xmpp-software/clients/>

Platform-specific

- » Apple iMessage 
- » Facebook Messenger 
- » Google Huddle 
- » Blackberry Messenger 

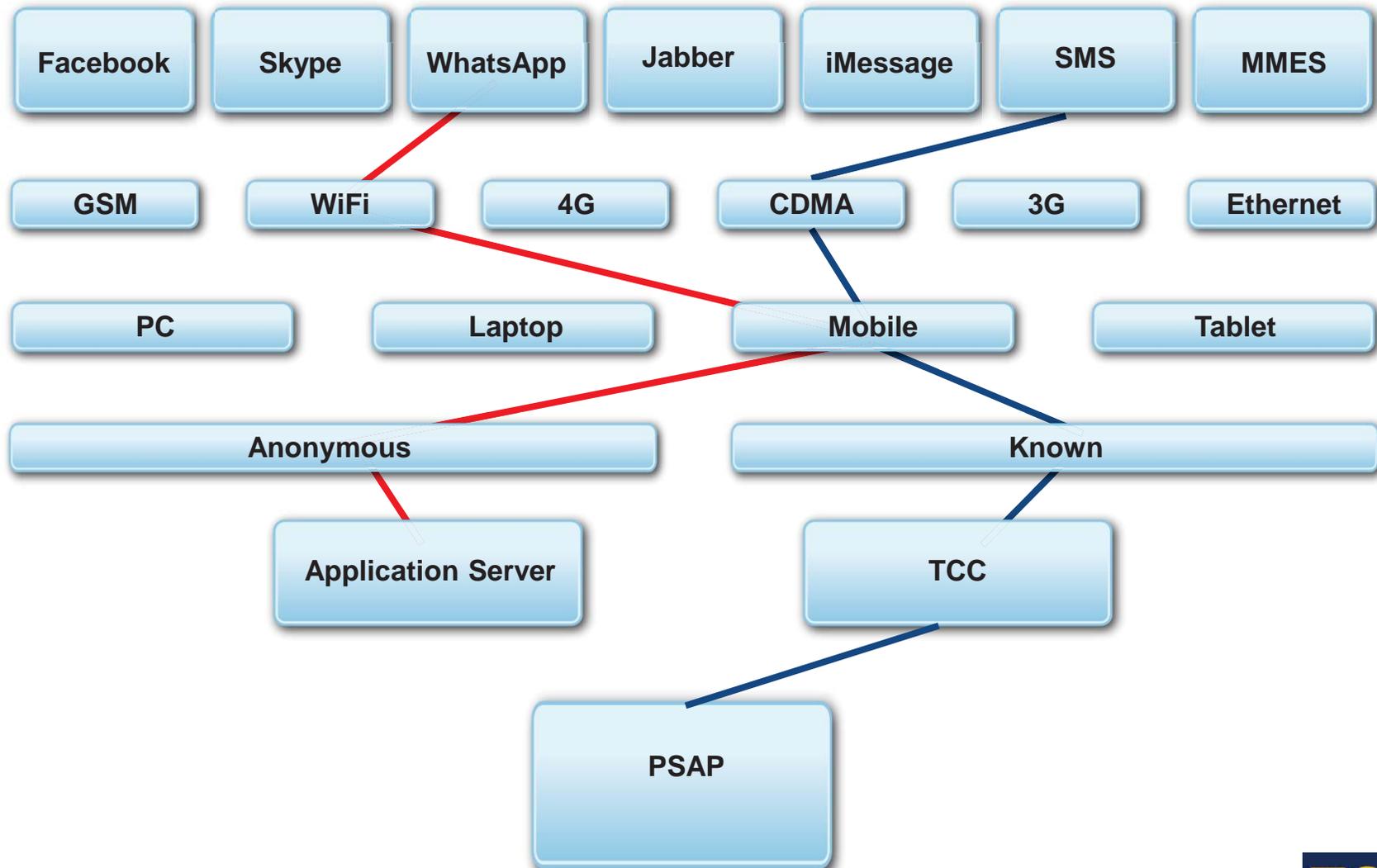
Overseas

- » WeChat 

Forgotten...

- » ICQ 
- » AIM 

OTT vs. SMS Message Flow for 9-1-1



SMS Compared to OTT

SMS Characteristics

- » Multiplatform - covers all handsets in the U.S.
- » Not free (per-message or subscription)
- » Supports Roaming between carriers
- » Consistent UI
- » Uses TNs and Short Codes as identifiers
- » J-STD-110 Standard
- » Doesn't include MMS, MMES, or Multimedia content

OTT Compared to SMS – Pros/Cons

OTT Characteristics - pros

- » Is growing - outpacing SMS for texting applications
- » Is fad-like – with “brand” loyalty that is subject to “churn”
- » OTT can support Multimedia (Text + Video + Voice)
- » Message size is variable not limited to 160 characters per message
- » Can perform RTT (Real Time Text)
- » Not limited to mobile devices
- » Can be tightly integrated into social media sites
- » Username style addressing as compared to TN
- » Robust user interface

OTT Compared to SMS

OTT Characteristics - cons

- » No TN required – callbacks are more difficult
- » Immense number of OTT Text apps available
- » Standards for emergency use of OTT are non-existent
- » Not on all devices
- » No ubiquitous nationwide coverage
- » Silos - Limited directory services between ASPs
- » Network provided location – in some cases is infeasible
- » Handset initiated location service access is not guaranteed
- » Location acquired may not be trustworthy
- » User interfaces vary - different features, protocols
- » Security issues - authentication, credentials, vetting
- » Requires a data session

Standards vis-à-vis OTT

- » Current standards focus on SMS only
 - Less than half of texting is addressed
- » J-Std-110 covers coarse location for routing
- » Precise location required if only possible

Should SMS standards be extended to address IP based solutions for Text-to-9-1-1?

Trustworthiness of OTT

- » Account authentication
- » End-user profile information
 - ❑ For mobile (SMS) end-user is typically vetted
 - ❑ For OTT end-user could be anonymous
- » Device location for OTT
 - ❑ Network location techniques not standardized
 - ❑ Device locations could be spoofed
 - ❑ No carrier association

OTT Platform and Location Capability

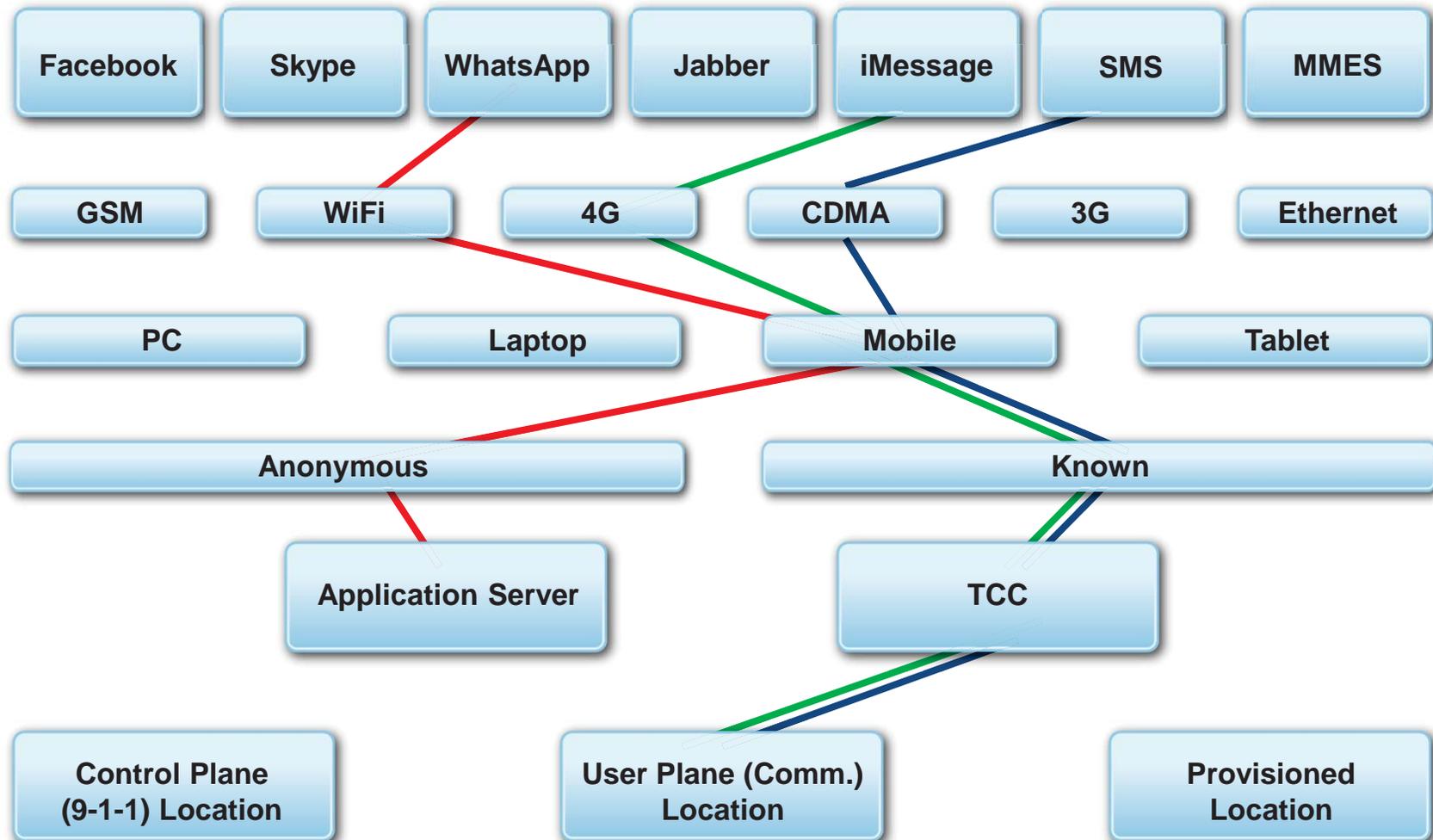
- » PCs
- » Laptops
- » Tablets
- » Smartphones

Consider Mobile only
...as a starting point



Note: Typically no support for legacy mobile handsets

OTT Location - The Greatest Challenge



OTT Location Capability

	SMS-capable (OEM/OS)	GPS Autonomous	A-GPS MO/MT	WiFi/ WLAN	Other NFC/BT/etc.
PC	No	No	No	No ²	No
Laptop	No	No	No	No ²	Yes
Tablet	No	No ¹	No	No ²	Yes
Mobile/ Smartphone	Yes	Yes	Yes	No ²	Yes
Legacy wireless phone	Yes	No	Yes	No	No

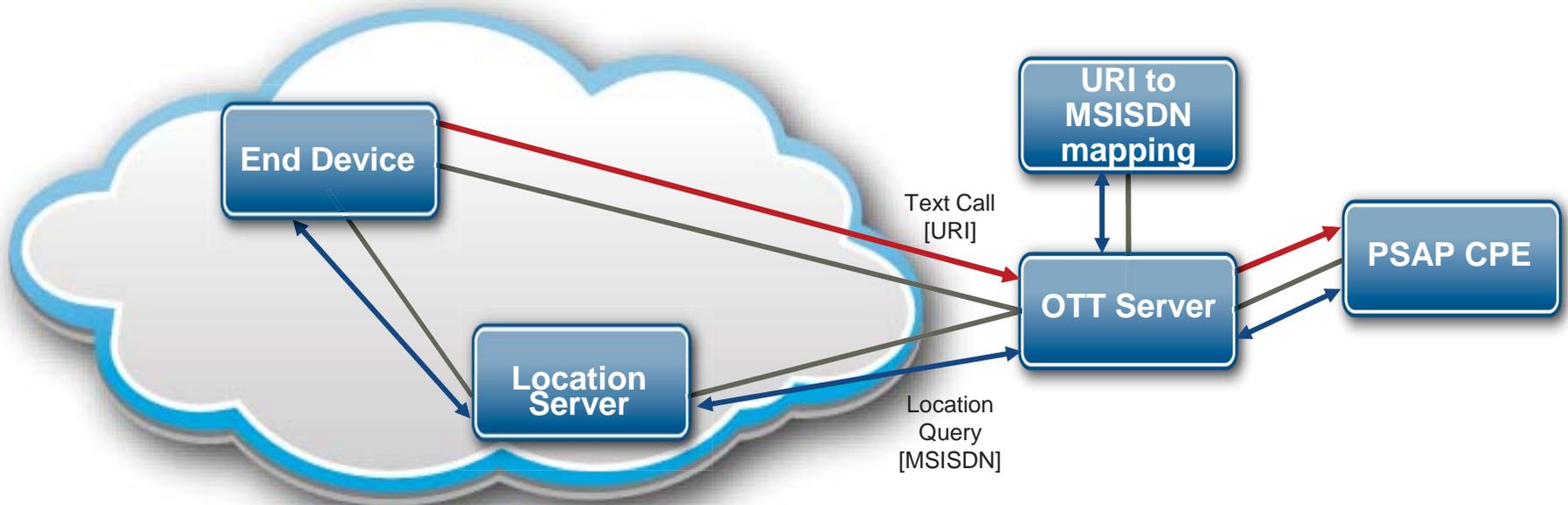
¹GPS chipsets available in some tablets equipped with or without 3G/4G

²Requires access to WiFi database with location coordinates (not in 9-1-1 today)

OTT Location Challenges for Mobiles

- » Existing E9-1-1 LBS platform limitations
- » Location server deployment pre-requisites
- » Hardware limitations (e.g., no GPS chipset)
- » Handset vs. network based location choices
- » OS service layer access (software + firmware)
- » Location time-to-fix (coarse vs. precise)
- » Location service client configuration (on|off?)

OTT Location Model Needed *(including Mobile Location Platform)*



OTT Client Identifier

The key to Location - Summary

- » Do OTT text apps have a client identifier that works with a location server?
 - Need MDN/MSISDN (not URI) for location queries, though IP address, Mac may be used
- » Does the OTT identifier work for callback?
- » OTT user (account) name to MDN mapping could be done within the mobile OS API

Easiest approach is for a standard OS API to support SMS service layer and location services from the OTT app

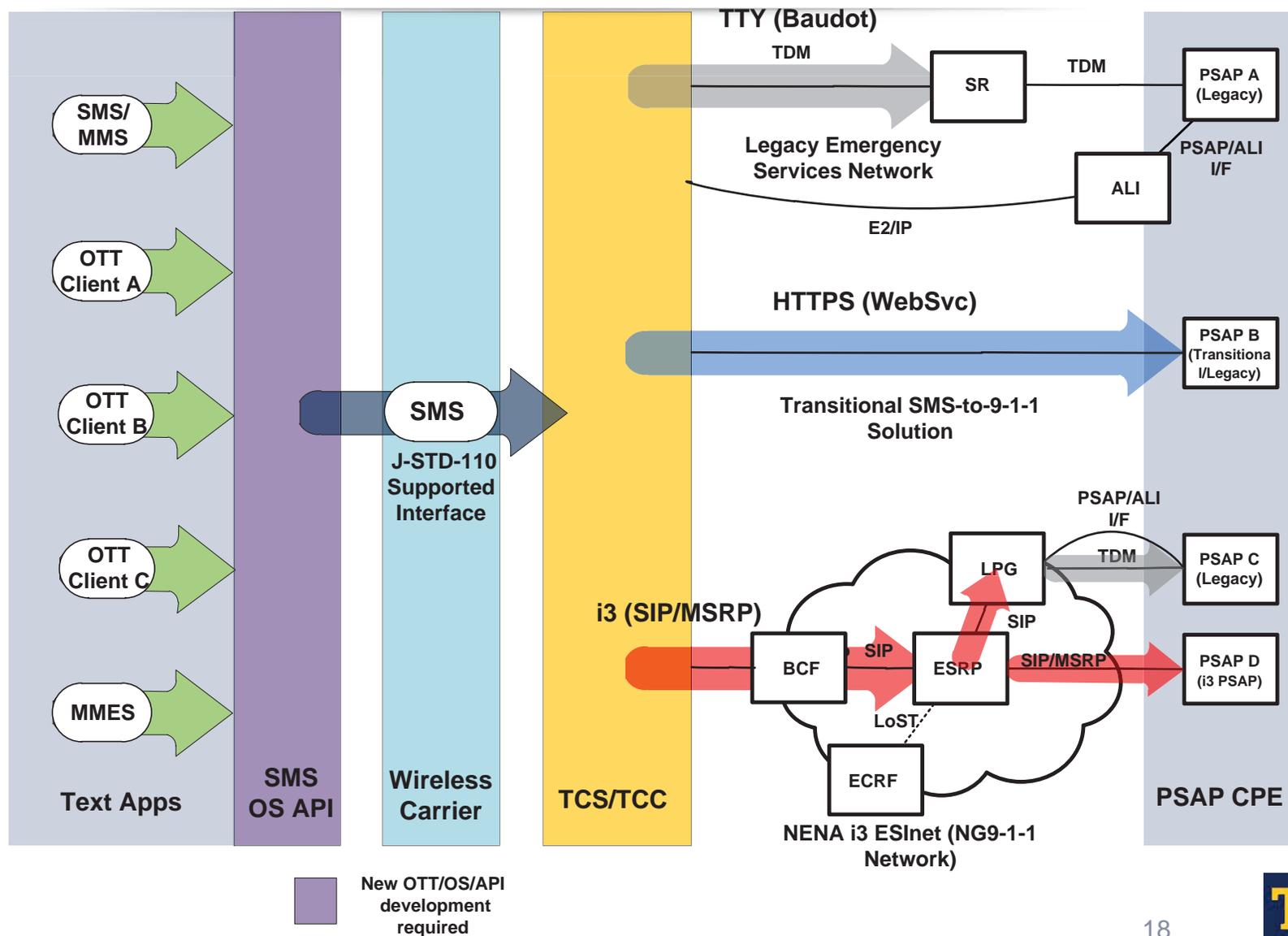
OTT Text – Proposed Solution

Mobile SMS API Approach

- » Mobile OS (OEM) providers expose SMS API
- » OTT Messaging process 9-1-1 thru the SMS API
- » SMS API incorporates mobile TN
 - TTY
 - Web services (GEM911™)
 - i3/ESInet
- » Reuses all existing SMS911 infrastructure

The SMS API on the device makes texting 9-1-1 transparent to the original UI

OTT Support through OEM/OS API



OTT Constraints Considered

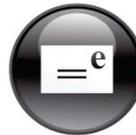
- » Mobile devices with CMRS subscription only
- » OTT Text supported via mobile OS SMS API
 - ❑ Reuses existing standards (J-STD-110)
 - ❑ No change to CMRS Carrier access/core networks
 - ❑ Leverages existing TCC infrastructure
 - ❑ No change to PSAP interface options (TTY, GEM911, i3)
- » Multimedia phasing
 - ❑ Text only mode initially
 - ❑ Image & Video as a follow-on
 - ❑ Voice media last

Thank you!

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