

STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

Fayette County, Illinois	:	
	:	Case No. 17-I-193
Initial Plan for Approval of a 9-1-1	:	
Emergency Telephone Number System	:	

ORDER OF THE STATEWIDE 9-1-1 ADMINISTRATOR

I. INTRODUCTION

On March 31, 2017, Fayette County, Illinois ("Applicant") filed an Initial Plan Application with the Department of the Illinois State Police ("Department") pursuant to the Emergency Telephone System Act ("ETSA") 750 ILCS 750, *et seq.* and 83 Ill. Admin. Code 1325 "Standards of Service Applicable to 9-1-1 Emergency Systems" ("Part 1325"). Applicant seeks authorization to establish an enhanced 9-1-1 emergency telephone number system to serve all areas of Fayette County, Illinois. Applicant has a proposed operational date of August 30, 2017.

Fayette County supported the Initial Plan with documentary materials, including a narrative statement describing the system.

The Office of the 9-1-1 Administrator is authorized to coordinate the implementation of systems established under the Act. In order to secure compliance with the technical and operational standards for the development of local agency systems, the Act empowers the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator to approve or disapprove plans submitted by the public agencies. Standards of service applicable to 9-1-1 emergency systems, as adopted by the Department, are set forth in 83 Ill. Adm. Code Part 1325 ("Part 1325").

II. DESCRIPTION OF APPLICANT

Pursuant to the provisions of the Act, Applicant submitted its plan for the establishment of an enhanced 9-1-1 emergency reporting system for the County of Fayette. The 9-1-1 system is being established to serve all areas of Fayette County, covering 725 square miles, and serving a population of 21,870. As part of its filing, Applicant submitted maps showing boundaries of the proposed system, jurisdictional boundaries of system participants, adjoining public agencies and public safety agencies.

A Narrative Statement was provided by the Applicant which explains that the Fayette County has two Public Safety Answering Points ("PSAP's") that will collectively answer, process and direct all calls placed to 9-1-1 within its jurisdictional boundaries. Fayette County will leave their existing PSAP's in operation in their present location using the same trained, qualified, and experienced personnel. The PSAP's will back each other up. Additionally, they will also be backed up by the Bond County ETSB. An intergovernmental agreement

has been signed by both the Fayette County Emergency Telephone System Board ("Fayette County ETSB") and the Bond County Emergency Telephone System Board ("Bond County ETSB") for the provisioning of backup 9-1-1 services.

The Application and Narrative Statement also contain sections describing or identifying system location; radio communications capability; dispatching procedures; geographic area covered; telephone exchanges in the system; call handling agreements; adjacent agencies; public education; training; and the data base.

III. STAFF REVIEW

Applicant's Public Safety Answering Point ("PSAP's") will be located at the Fayette County Sheriff's Department, 221 S. 7th Street, Vandalia, Illinois and the second PSAP will be located at the Vandalia City Police Department, 221 S. 5th Street, Vandalia, Illinois. Staff states that the PSAP's meets the requirements for a PSAP as prescribed in 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 1325 Section 1325.415 (a)-(h).

The back-up PSAP will be the Bond County Sheriff's Department PSAP, located at 403 S. Second Street, Greenville, Illinois. Staff states that this PSAP meets all the requirements for a backup PSAP as prescribed in 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 1325, Section 1325.415 (i) as it is currently a primary PSAP in the Bond County 9-1-1 System.

Based on its review of the application, 911 Program Manager Elliott, reports that staff supports Applicant's request for the Administrator's approval of its proposed 9-1-1 emergency reporting system. Staff states that the Application for the provision of 9-1-1 service meets the requirements as prescribed in 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 1325 – Standards of Service Applicable to 9-1-1 Emergency Systems, Section 1325.205 – Initial or Modified Plan Filings.

IV. ADMINISTRATOR'S ANALYSIS AND CONCLUSION

The Application in this proceeding was filed pursuant to the Emergency Telephone System Act ("Act"), 50 ILCS 750, *et seq.* The purpose of the Act is "to establish the number "9-1-1" as the primary emergency telephone number for use in this State and to encourage units of local government and a combination of such units to develop and improve emergency communication procedures and facilities in such a manner as to be able to quickly respond to any person calling the telephone number "9-1-1" seeking police, fire, medical, rescue and other emergency services." 50 ILCS 750/1

V. FINDINGS AND ORDERING PARAGRAPHS

The Administrator, having considered the Applicants Initial Plan Application and Department's Staff Review, is of the opinion and finds that:

- (1) Applicant, Fayette County, Illinois is seeking to provide emergency services and, as such the Administrator, pursuant to the provisions of the Act, has jurisdiction over Applicant and the subject matter hereof;
- (2) The record reflects that Applicant's initial 9-1-1 System plan complies with Part 1325 and applicable laws; and
- (3) The "9-1-1" emergency reporting system to be implemented pursuant to the plan submitted by Applicant is an enhanced system; Administrator approval of the Applicant's plan is in the public interest, authorization should be granted for said plan to be put into service as soon after as practicable;
- (4) Any inter-governmental agreements, together with any amendments thereto, and together with any agreements between public agencies and public safety agencies, not heretofore filed with the Department and the Office of the Attorney General should be filed with both the Department and the office of the Attorney General;
- (5) Certified notification of the continuation of inter-governmental and other relevant agreements should be made annually among the parties and copies of the annual certified notification agreements should be filed with the Department and the Illinois Attorney General prior to the 31st of January of each succeeding year;
- (6) Report to the Department audited financial statements (AR911 Report) by the 1st of October of each succeeding year;
- (7) The authorization granted herein is subject to the Applicant's continued compliance with all rules and regulations relating to 9-1-1 service now in existence or as promulgated by the Department in the future; and
- (8) Rates for 9-1-1 emergency service shall be the appropriate telephone public utility's applicable rates now and in effect or such other rates as may be hereinafter approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission").

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that the plan submitted by the Applicant, Fayette County, Illinois, for the implementation of an enhanced 9-1-1 emergency reporting service, is hereby authorized effective as soon hereafter as practicable.

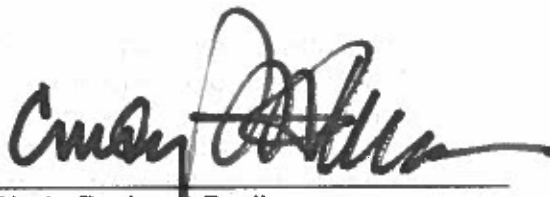
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the authorization herein granted is subject to the conditions set forth in Findings No. 4, 5, 6 and 7 above.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the rates for said authorization service shall be the appropriate telecommunication carrier's applicable rates now in effect, or such other rates as may hereafter be approved by the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Fayette County can file a Wireless 9-1-1 Plan in writing with the Administrator within 6 months after receiving its authority to operate a 9-1-1 system under the ACT, if it chooses to serve as the primary wireless 9-1-1 public safety answering point for its jurisdiction. (50 ILCS 750/15.6a(c).

This Order is a final administrative decision subject to review under the Administrative Review Law, 735 ILCS 5/3-101 *et seq.* which requires that every action to review such decision shall be commenced by the filing of a complaint and the issuance of summons in the Circuit Court within 35 days from the date that a copy of the decision was served upon the parties.


By Order of the Administrator this 15th day of May, 2017.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy Barbera-Brelle", written over a horizontal line.

Cindy Barbera-Brelle
Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator
Office of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator
Illinois State Police

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing document were served upon all parties listed below by electronic mail on May 15, 2017.



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