STATE OF ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF STATE POLICE

DeKalb County ETSB :

Case No. 19-M-256

Application for 9-1-1 Modification Plan

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ORDER OF THE STATEWIDE 9-1-1 ADMINISTRATOR

i. Introduction

On December 19, 2019, the DeKalb County ETSB ("Applicant") filed a Modification Plan Application with the Department of the Illinois State Police ("Department") pursuant to the Emergency Telephone System Act ("ETSA") 50 ILCS 750/ and 83 Ill. Admin. Code 1325 "Standards of Service Applicable to 9-1-1 Emergency Systems" ("Part 1325"). Applicant seeks authorization to change its 9-1-1 system provider from Frontier to NG-911, Inc. and to implement a Next Generation 9-1-1 i3 capable solution.

The DeKalb County ETSB supported the Plan with documentary materials, including a narrative statement explaining the purpose for modifying the Petitioner's existing 9-1-1 plan and a network diagram.

The Office of the 9-1-1 Administrator is authorized to coordinate the modification of systems established under the ETSA. In order to secure compliance with the technical and operational standards for the development of local agency systems, the ETSA 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 III. Adm. Code Part 1325.

II. Description of Applicant

Applicant operates the 9-1-1 emergency services program in DeKalb County, Illinois. The Illinois Commerce Commission ("Commission") approved Applicant's 9-1-1 system in Docket No. 91-0607. The system became operational in April 1993 and operates on a countywide basis with two primary Public Safety Answering Points, located at the DeKalb County Sheriff's Department, 150 North Main Street, DeKalb, Illinois and the DeKalb Police Department, 700 West Lincoln Highway, DeKalb, Illinois. The 9-1-1 system dispatches police, fire, and ambulance services.

III. Purposed and Description of Proposed Modification

Applicant is requesting to change their 9-1-1 System Service Provider from

Frontier to NG-911, Inc. NG-911, Inc. will coordinate with all wireline, VoIP and wireless carriers with the establishment of new SS7 or SIP trunks. The system will be provisioned as an IP, Next Generation i3 capable network and will deliver calls using IP technology to the PSAP. The system will have redundant Legacy Network Gateways (LNG's) and Emergency Service Routing Proxy's (ESRP's), otherwise referred to as selective routers that will handle all call routing for the PSAP. One set of call routing elements is located at the DeKalb County Sheriff Department Jail Annex located in Sycamore, Illinois and the second is located at the Belvidere Fire Department located in Belvidere, Illinois. NG-911, Inc. will coordinate the migration of 9-1-1 call traffic for each wireline, wireless and VoIP carrier that is currently being delivered to the Frontier selective router(s) to the two NG-911, Inc. ESRPs. The 9-1-1 Network will be IP based from NG-911, Inc.'s ESRPs to the PSAP.

On January 8, 2020, Marci Elliott, 911 Manager, Statewide 9-1-1 Bureau filed a Technical Review to the Application. The Technical Review met the requirements of 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 1325.

Staff recommends the following conditions:

- a. In accordance with 725.405 i) 26) 9-1-1 system providers are required to cooperate with other 9-1-1 system providers in the installation of a new 9-1-1 system or migration of a system from another 9-1-1 system provider by transitioning system information and participating in bi-weekly implementation conference calls with all parties; applicant, involved originating service providers (OSPs), involved 9-1-1 system providers (Frontier Communications, NG9-1-1, Inc.), Illinois Commerce Commission Telecommunications Staff and Department Staff;
- b. Submission of the Methods of Procedure (MOP), the conversion schedule for cutting over to the new system by carrier and exchange, to be provided to the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator, Statewide 9-1-1 Bureau and the Commission's Telecommunication Staff; and
- c. Any other reporting as deemed necessary.

IV. Findings and Ordering Paragraphs

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

- (1) Applicant operates the 9-1-1 emergency services program for DeKalb County, Illinois under the ETSA;
- (2) NG-911, Inc. has authority from the Commission to operate as a 9-1-1 system service provider;
- (3) Applicant and NG-911, Inc. seek to modify the current plan by changing the 9-1-1 system provider from Frontier to NG-911, Inc. and to implement a Next Generation 9-1-1 i3 capable system as defined in 83 Illinois Administrative Code Part 1325;

- (4) The Administrator has jurisdiction over Applicant and the subject matter herein;
- (5) The record reflects that Applicant's proposed 9-1-1 System modifications comply with Part 1325 and applicable laws; and
- (6) Applicant's proposed 9-1-1 System modification should be approved subject to the following conditions:
 - a. The NG9-1-1 and Recording Systems must be capable of processing all types of emergency calls, including voice, text, data, and multimedia information.
 - b. In accordance with 725.405 i) 26) 9-1-1 system providers are required to cooperate with other 9-1-1 system providers in the installation of a new 9-1-1 system or migration of a system from another 9-1-1 system provider by transitioning system information and participating in bi-weekly implementation conference calls with all parties; applicant, involved OSPs, involved 9-1-1 system providers (Frontier Communications, NG9-1-1, Inc.), Illinois Commerce Commission Telecommunication Staff and Department Staff;
 - c. Submission of the Methods of Procedure (MOP), the conversion schedule for cutting over to the new system by carrier and exchange, to be provided to the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator, Statewide 9-1-1 Bureau and the Illinois Commerce Commission's Telecommunication Staff; and
 - d. Any other reporting as deemed necessary.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator that pursuant to the Findings of Fact that the DeKalb County ETSB's request to change their 9-1-1 System Service Provider pursuant to paragraphs 1325.200 g) 2) of 83 Illinois Administrative Code Parts is hereby approved.

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

This Order is a final administrative decision of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator subject to review under the Administrative Review Law, 735 ILCS 5/3-101. In the event you wish to seek review of or appeal this Order, you are advised:

- 1. Every action seeking review of such final 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 a copy of the decision was served upon the parties.
- 2. In your action seeking review you must name in the Complaint, and issue a Summons for, each party of record to the case other than yourself.
- 3. Attached below is a list of all parties of record to this case, including the name

and address of the agency or officer entering the Order, and the addresses of each party where the parties may be served with pleadings, notices, or service of process for any review or further proceedings.

4. You are not required to file any motion or request for reconsideration with the Department or the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator before filing your action for review in the Circuit Court. The administrative rules of the Department do not require or allow for any further proceedings before the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator.

Name of Officer who entered the final Order:

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ENTERED: This 16th day of January 2020.

Cindy Barbera Brelle

Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator

Illinois State Police

Office of the Statewide 9-1-1 Administrator

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing document were served upon all parties

listed below by electronic mail on January 16, 2020.

Cindy Barber Brelle

Statewide 9-1/1 Administrator

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