



State of Delaware
800 MHz Next Generation Meeting Minutes
January 15, 2009

Attendees:

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| Artman, Larry – DTI | Pepper, Terry – Governor's Office |
| Baker, Bryant – DTI | Seifert, Sharon – DTI |
| Cubbage, Jim - DVFA | Sipple, Kevin – Kent 911 |
| Donaldson, Gene – DelDOT | Somma, Gary – DTI |
| Dornberger, Len – DTI | Streets, Bill – NCC |
| Dudlek, Joe – Corrections | Thomas, Joe – Sussex County |
| Hickox, William – DTI | Tillinghast, John – RCC |
| Martin, Jeff – RCC | Wells, Ronald - DivComm |
| Pedersen, Robert – DivComm | |

Goals:

- **Logging Recorder Status Brief**
- **Microwave Status Brief**
- **Rebanding Update**

Outcome/Results:

- **Funding**

Jim Cubbage expressed the growing concern that the contingency fund could be absorbed by OMB due to the large budget deficit of the State. The committee needs to do its best to keep the new cabinet apprised of the need to finish the project.

Bill Hickox stated that OMB is currently looking elsewhere for funds, but that could change.

Bill Streets noted that the city of Wilmington has 2.3 million of its own funds set aside to improve coverage; why would they expect us (the State) to bear the total cost?

Bryant Baker stated that the City of Wilmington did not specify priority buildings to be covered. More information is needed from the city before decisions can be made as to what coverage may be needed.

- **Coverage Testing**

John Tillinghast of RCC, personnel from DivComm and Security of Beebe Hospital determined that there were coverage concerns in three (3) areas of Beebe: the ER, the Pharmacy and the back of the building which houses the Radiology Dept. The investigation is continuing and resolutions are being discussed. Neither Joe Thomas nor Jim Cabbage have heard any more news or complaints.

Bob Pedersen restated that the committee's decision was: not to treat any buildings till all information regarding problems coverage areas is gathered and analyzed.

Bill Streets requested that Div Comm take a look at 87 Reeds way to see if it would be a good alternate site for the consoles, should the original site be compromised. He will notify Bob Pedersen and team when a time is confirmed.

Bill Streets also expressed his concern should we be faced with a major outage/failure. There are five (5) sites in New Castle County that need additional ITAC Channels. When NCC was asked if they wanted in-building coverage or ITAC channels, they replied "both". Bill knows that there is not enough funding for both.

Bob Pedersen said that we need to consider the contingency funding that is left, but he would do some testing and see what can be done to elevate coverage of the ITAC channels.

The Next Meeting will be held on Thursday, February 19, 2009, 2:00 PM in the KENTCOMM conference room at 911 Public Safety Blvd. Dover, DE.