

Emergency Communications Operations Board

Action 22-006 – NGEN True-Up Methodology for NGEN Agreement

Date: December 16, 2021

Presented by: Steve Paxton & John Vaught On behalf of: ECD & ITD

Actions:

1. Direct staff to incorporate the following True-Up methodology into the draft NGEN Agreement: A True-Up of NGEN Devices shall include all Analog, Digital, and Broadband Push-to-Talk devices and EXCLUDE spares and cache devices. Fire Devices shall be weighted at 75% and no weighting shall be applied to any other devices.

Summary/Discussion:

As requested by this Board at the December 16, 2021 meeting, a special working group met and discussed the possible True-Up methods. The methods the group discussed were:

- Option 1: Status Quo - includes only Digital and Analog Radios and allocates costs evenly per device.
- Option 2: Includes Digital, Analog, and Broadband Push To Talk (BPTT) devices and evenly distributes costs per device. This will charge for every device that touches the system.
- Option 3: Includes all devices from Method 2, but assigns a weighting factor to Fire devices to reduce the cost of these devices. This is to reflect lower usage of Fire devices vs others.
- Option 4: A portion of the fees are charged as a flat fee to each agency and the remainder of the fees are allocated by device count.
- Option 5: Charge NGEN fees based on usage. Usage is defined as click counts per device. Devices include analog, digital, and BPTT.

The working group recommended using Option 3 for the NGEN Agreement.

The working group also discussed the weighting percentage to be applied to Fire devices and after reviewing fire vs law usage statistics, determined that a 75% weighting is fair and equitable.

Spare (or Cache) radios are those radios that are active in the UAS but designated, by name, as “Spare”, or “Cache” to be used as necessary for specific events or in times of emergency.

ECD Executive Board Involvement:

The NGEN Agreement, with the recommended True-Up methodology will be reviewed and acted on by the ECD Executive Board.

ECD & ITD Recommendation:

The County recommends proceeding with these actions as recommended by the Working Group.

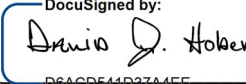
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Motion Passes

Vote Date 1/20/22

Motion by Hober 2nd Harris Yeas Guitierrez, Hober, Thornburg, Harris, Boyd
Nays: Filice, Klemek

/s/ Vice Chair  1/24/2022 | 9:59 PM PST
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