

## FIRST RESPONDER NETWORK AUTHORITY BOARD RESOLUTION 32

AUTHORIZATION TO FURTHER EXTEND THE PERIOD FOR NEGOTIATIONS OF SPECTRUM LEASE AGREEMENTS WITH THE BTOP PUBLIC SAFETY RECIPIENTS Circulated *via* Unanimous Written Consent process on June 11, 2013

WHEREAS, Congress enacted the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act), which mandates the creation of a nationwide interoperable wireless broadband network that will enable police, firefighters, emergency medical service professionals, and other public safety officials to more effectively communicate and perform their missions;

WHEREAS, the Act creates the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), an independent authority within the Department of Commerce's National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA), charged to take "all actions necessary" to build, deploy, and operate the network, in consultation with State, local, tribal, and territorial entities;

WHEREAS, on February 12, 2013, the Board adopted a Resolution (Resolution # 18) to authorize its member, Sue Swenson, to negotiate on FirstNet's behalf on spectrum lease agreements (Agreements) with the Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) public safety recipients for a period no longer than 90 days following the adoption of the Resolution:

WHEREAS, Resolution 18 authorized the 90-day negotiation period to be extended for a brief period of time upon the mutual agreement of FirstNet and a recipient, which negotiation period closed on May, 13 2013;

WHEREAS, on May 8, 2013, the Board adopted a Resolution (Resolution # 28) to extend the period for negotiations on the spectrum lease agreements with the BTOP public safety

recipients through June 12, 2013, and authorized Sue Swenson to continue such negotiations on FirstNet's behalf:

WHEREAS, there continues to be substantial progress in such negotiations, but Sue Swenson has advised the Board that she and each of the recipients have concluded that an additional 30-day extension of the negotiations period is required for such negotiations to be completed;

WHEREAS, each of the recipients has notified Sue Swenson by electronic mail that it agrees to an additional extension in its negotiations process with FirstNet;

WHEREAS, Section 4.11 of the FirstNet Bylaws permits action by the Board through unanimous written consent, which may be executed in multiple counterparts, all of which shall be considered originals;

WHEREAS, the Board members signing this Resolution include all of the members entitled to vote at FirstNet's meetings;

WHEREAS, the undersigned desire to execute a written consent in lieu of formally holding a meeting and agree that this Resolution shall be valid on the date on the final signature and shall have the same force and effect as resolutions adopted at meetings of the FirstNet Board;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FirstNet Board hereby agrees to extend its period for negotiations on spectrum lease agreements with the BTOP public safety recipients through July 12, 2013, and authorizes Sue Swenson to continue such negotiations on FirstNet's behalf;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that this Resolution may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. In addition to hand delivery, signed signature pages may transmitted to the Board Secretary by U.S. mail, facsimile, or the Department of Commerce's secure file transfer system, and any such signature shall have the same legal effect as an original. This Resolution shall take effect once the Secretary to the FirstNet Board receives the signature of each Board member.

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