

State of Florida
Wireless 911 Board
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Bureau of Network Operations and Deployment
STATE TECHNOLOGY OFFICE

Status Update for Florida 911 and
Wireless 911 Board Activities

<http://www.state.fl.us/dms/e911>



Board Membership

- Chairperson--Secretary, Department of Management Services or his/her designee
- 3 Wireless Industry Representatives (Dr. Rodney Bent, *CellTrax*; Timothy Horkan, AT&T and Mario Jardon, Cingular)
- 3 County 911 Coordinators (Pat Welte, Duval-large county; Bruce Thorburn, Lake-medium county and Nelson Green, Bradford-small county)

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Memorandum and Order

Adopted December 1, 1997

Phase I and Phase II E911 Conditions:

The E911 requirements apply only if:

- (1) the carrier receives a request for such services from a PSAP capable of receiving and using the service, and
- (2) a mechanism for the recovery of costs relating to the provision of such services is in place.

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Second Memorandum Opinion and Order

Adopted November 18, 1999

3. First, the E911 rules are revised to remove the prerequisite that a cost recovery mechanism for carriers be in place before the CMRS carrier is obligated to provide E911 service in response to a valid PSAP service request. We agree with CTIA that modification of the rule is necessary to remove ambiguities that are causing delays in Phase I implementation and that, more significantly, may delay implementation of Phase II. We decline to modify the rule, as suggested by commenters, by imposing certain requirements on the States to adopt formal mechanisms for the recovery of carrier costs and to adhere to certain definitions and procedures as the means to clarify the rule and facilitate implementation.

Enabling 911 Legislation

<http://www.leg.state.fl.us>

- Wireline--Chapter 365.171, FS--Originally adopted in 1974 and modified many times since by the Florida Legislature.
 - Board of County Commissioners is the Entity Responsible for the 911 System
- Wireless--Chapter 365.172-174, FS--1999
 - Interfaces with County 911 System

Florida 911 Status

- Statewide 911 Service --1997
- 98+ % of Population served by E911
- Wireline 911--67 County systems
- Wireless 911--Interfaces with the existing 67 county systems
- Wireless Fee is statewide with Board distributing monies to counties and carriers

911 Fee in Florida

- Wireline--County established - \$0.50 or less which varies but most collect \$0.50--65 of 67 counties use GR to help pay for 911
- Wireless--\$0.50 per subscriber maximum established by legislature-Board can adjust amount downward and % allocation

Distribution

- Wireless Board distributes monies collected as follows:
 - 44% to County of Subscriber--Billing Address
 - 2% to Rural Counties for E911 Assistance
 - 54% to Reimburse carriers actual cost for network upgrade--E911 (up to 2 % for Board operations)

Wireless Disbursements through December 2000

- To Counties--Billing Address \$15,000,000
- To Rural Counties--Grants \$ 425,000
- To Carriers--Reimbursements \$ 244,000
- Balance on Hand \$20,000,000

Phase I Implementation

- Counties requesting slower than expected-
42 counties have requests pending
- no county fully implemented-All Carriers
- 12 counties partially implemented
- Board reimburses the Carrier for
Implementation up to the LEC Tandem

Wireless 911 Fees-Southeast

<u>STATE</u>	<u>FEE</u>	<u>PSAP's</u>	<u>CMRS</u>
• Alabama	\$0.70		
• Florida	\$0.50	46%	54%
• Georgia	\$1.00	100%	
• Kentucky	\$0.70	50%	50%
• Louisiana	\$0.85	100%	
• Mississippi	\$1.00		
• N. Carolina	\$0.80	40%	60%
• S. Carolina	\$0.55		
• Tennessee	\$1.00	25%	75%

Issues of Concern

- Pre-Paid Cards/Resellers (Agreement Issues)
“everybody pays”
- Large Fluctuations in subscribers
- Funding Source for Phase II
- Delays in Phase I and Phase II Implementation
- Method of Disbursement of Funds to Counties

THANK YOU !!!

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