

**METROPOLITAN WASHINGTON COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS
National Capital Region Emergency Preparedness Council**

Date: Wednesday, November 14, 2012

**Time: 2:00 p.m. – Arrival/Networking
2:30 p.m. – Convene Meeting
4:30 p.m. – Adjourn Meeting**

**Location: Training Center, Lobby Level
777 North Capitol Street NE
Washington, DC 20002**

AGENDA

1. WELCOME, ANNOUNCEMENTS, AND APPROVAL OF MINUTES (2:30-2:35)

*John Foust, Supervisor
Fairfax County
Chairman, EPC*

Announcements and Reports

- Member news
- Approve September 12, 2012 Minutes

Recommended Action: Approve September 12, 2012 minutes.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

2. UASI GRANT UPDATE (2:35-2:40)

*Tim Fitzsimmons, Chief, Grants Management Division
DC Homeland Security and Emergency Management
Agency*

State Administrative Agent (SAA) staff is responsible for UASI grant administration. Tim Fitzsimmons will provide a status report on all open UASI grants and review the timeline for the UASI 2012 grant awards and the projected timeline for the UASI 2013 grant.

Recommended Action: Presentation, no action required.

3. REVIEW OF UASI MANAGEMENT REVIEW ACTIVITIES

(2:40-2:50)

*Barbara Donnellan, County Manager, Arlington County
Chair, CAO-Homeland Security Executive Committee*

David Robertson, COG Executive Director

Ms. Donnellan will provide an update on the joint UASI management reviews and related activities underway by the CAOs – Homeland Security Executive Committee and/or the Senior Policy Group. COG staff will respond to questions or comments.

- Management Review sessions
- Grant reprogramming
- Possible transition to non-UASI grant support

Recommended Action: Presentation, no action required.

SPECIAL BRIEFING

4. IMR OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT WITH FOCUS ON HOW SYSTEMS FUNCTIONED DURING HURRICANE SANDY

(2:50-3:20)

*Phil Andrews, Chairman
Montgomery County Council*

The Incident Management and Response (IMR) Oversight Committee met on September 17, 2012 and approved the IMR Oversight Committee Progress Report. Chairman Andrews will lead a discussion on how the key recommendations/systems in the Final Report functioned during Hurricane Sandy. Respondents include *Chris Geldart* (RIC program); *Merni Fitzgerald* (V-JIC) and *Tom Jacobs* (MATOC and RITIS programs). Other recommendations will be discussed by the Chair/staff as time permits.

Recommended Action: Presentation; identify required follow up.

5. PRESIDENTIAL INAUGURATION UPDATE

(3:20-3:35)

*Chris Geldart, Director
District of Columbia
Homeland Security and Emergency Management Agency*

Chris Geldart will provide an update on the planning and other associated activities with the January 21, 2013 Presidential Inauguration. He will highlight the schedule of major events to include the "Walk Through" with Joint Forces Headquarters-National Capital Region in early January 2013, the Regional Rehearsal of Concept (ROC) Drill, the communications exercise, the identification of liaison officers to be positioned at DC HSEMA, and the coordination with Capitol Police and Maryland and Virginia jurisdictions. Further, Mr. Geldart will respond to any questions regarding planning for the 2013 Presidential Inauguration.

Recommended Action: Presentation; no action required.

COMMITTEE/PROGRAM REPORTS

6. JUNE 29, 2012 DERECHO STORM RESPONSE

(3:35-4:20)

Chairman Foust

Chairman Foust will summarize two related activities approved by the COG Board at its July 11 meeting on the June 29 Derecho storm that left much of the region without electric power for several days and affected 9-1-1 service in Northern Virginia: 1) The regional analysis of local and state Derecho after-action reports will be led by the EPC, with support from area emergency management agencies, and 2) The Verizon 9-1-1 investigation and report will be supported by the 9-1-1 Telecommunications Network Steering Group led by local government 9-1-1 directors.

PART A: REGIONAL DERECHO AFTER-ACTION REPORTS

*Jack Brown, Director, Office of Emergency Management
Arlington County
Chairman, Emergency Managers Committee*

Mr. Brown will present the Regional Derecho Final After-Action Report based on input received from local and state emergency managers and other stakeholders. The Derecho After-Action Reports provided by local and state emergency management agencies will be summarized, with a focus on regional outcomes and recommended actions to address major issues identified in the after-action reports.

PART B: 9-1-1 Telecommunications Network Steering Group Preliminary Report

*Steve Souter, Director
Department of 9-1-1/Public Safety Communications
Fairfax County*

*Glenn Roach, 9-1-1 Consultant
Emergency Public Safety Communications*

State and federal regulatory/oversight agencies launched investigations into the Verizon 9-1-1 service failures that impacted several communities in Northern Virginia following the Derecho storm on June 29, 2012. The Commonwealth of Virginia State Corporation Commission initiated an inquiry into the matter and has issued a Staff Report of Preliminary Findings. Verizon initiated its own investigation and has issued the Verizon, 911 Service and the June 29, 2012, Derecho and the Verizon, 911 Service and the Derecho – Moving Forward Corrective Actions Update. Based on these and other reports, meetings with 9-1-1 Directors in the region, and other information, the 9-1-1 Directors and Mr. Roach, 9-1-1 Consultant, and COG have developed the 9-1-1 Telecommunications Network Steering Committee Preliminary Report. Mr. Souter and Mr. Roach will provide a briefing on the Preliminary Report.

Recommended Action: Presentation; identify actions required to finalize both initiatives.

OTHER

7. NEW BUSINESS

(4:20-4:30)

Chairman Foust

Chairman Foust will invite members to share information in their areas of responsibility that may be of interest to others and/or recommend topics for the next meeting.

Recommended Action: Discuss recommended items identified by EPC members.

8. ADJOURNMENT

(4:30)

Chairman Foust

Next EPC Meeting: 2:00 p.m. – 4:30 p.m. on February 13, 2013