State Interoperability Executive Council



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- I. <u>Purpose</u>: This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) provides guidance for coordination and cooperation among all Licensees of the VHF, UHF, and 700/800Mhz nationwide interoperation channels.
- II. <u>Objective:</u> To ask all potential Licensees of the VHF, UHF and 700/800Mhz nationwide interoperation channels to Voluntarily refrain from installing or requesting Fixed Base Station Licensees until a coordinated effort to limit interference and monitor these channels is put in place by the SIEC.
- III. <u>Authority:</u> Only the FCC has the authority to invoke a moratorium on the issuance of Licenses. The SIEC is asking for a Voluntary moratorium for the State of Oregon, in accordance with SIEC Policy Action 08-2006(Attachment A), until a system is put in place that minimizes potential interference and assures that in all interoperability conditions that the channels are usable.
- IV. <u>Exceptions:</u> This moratorium does not include existing licenses such as the Federal Partnership for Interoperable Communications (FPIC) or other similar projects.

ATTACHMENT A

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Nationwide Interoperability Channel Administration

The State Interoperability Executive Council (SIEC) should be the designated authority to administer nationwide interoperability channels in the 150 MHz, 450 MHz, 700 MHz, and 800 MHz bands in Oregon.

The purpose of this designation is to assure in all interoperability conditions that these channels are available for emergency use.

"Interoperability conditions" includes day-to-day use in areas of concurrent jurisdiction, task force operations, and mutual aid involving multiple agencies.

Channels currently designated for nationwide interoperability are:

VHF Radios

155.7525 base/mobile VCALL National Calling 151 .1375 base/mobile VTAC 1 National Tactical 154.4525 base/mobile VTAC 2 National Tactical 158.7375 base/mobile VTAC 3 National Tactical 159.4725 base/mobile VTAC 4 National Tactical

UHF Radios

453.2125 Base/mobile UCALLa National Calling 453.4625 base/mobile UTAC 1 a National Tactical 453.7125 base/mobile UTAC 2a National Tactical 453.8625 base/mobile UTAC 3a National Tactical

800 MHz Radios

821/866.0125 ICALL National Calling 821/866.5125 ITAC-1 National Tactical 822/867.0125 ITAC-2 National Tactical 822/867.5125 ITAC-3 National Tactical 823/868.0125 ITAC-4 National Tactical

As technology emerges and opens other interoperability avenues, the SIEC will assume this same authority in order to promote consistency in the prioritization of use.