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The parties met, pursuant to the notice of the committee, at 10:05 a.m.

BEFORE: KENNETH MORAN, Deputy Chief
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Bureau

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<u>PROCEEDINGS</u>

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- (10:05 a.m.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Good morning, everyone. On
- 4 behalf of the Chairman of the Commission, I'd like to
- 5 welcome you to this sixth and final meeting of the
- 6 Commission Mobile Services Alert Advisory Committee.
- 7 When we first all met 10 months ago we noted
- 8 many highly talented and qualified individuals who
- 9 were represented here and acknowledged the commitment
- 10 that each of you made to public safety by agreeing to
- 11 shoulder this additional task of developing a system
- 12 of critical recommendations for a voluntary commercial
- 13 mobile alert and warning system.
- 14 As we indicated at last month's meeting, the
- 15 WARN Act imposes on us a high level of complexity
- 16 within an accelerated timeframe. We hoped that the
- 17 Advisory Committee could meet the challenge presented
- 18 by the legislation and be able to present to the
- 19 Commission the recommendations that would assist the
- 20 Commission in conducting a successful rulemaking.
- The measure of success of this rulemaking is
- 22 high. A voluntary, yet widely deployed, system
- 23 through which all Americans, whether elderly, non-
- 24 English speaking or those with disabilities, would be
- 25 able to receive alerts, warnings and other critical

- 1 information through their wireless devices.
- We've now reached the end of the journey.
- 3 Today we will be discussing and voting upon the
- 4 recommendations upon which you have all spent so much
- 5 time in the last 10 months. We've had a few days to
- 6 review this document, and I think I can speak for all
- 7 of us when I say that we have met our deadline with a
- 8 product of exceptional quality.
- 9 We knew when we assembled the Advisory
- 10 Committee that we had assembled a highly capable group
- 11 that spanned the breadth of the communications
- 12 industry. What we were not sure of was how well you
- 13 would all collaborate. I expected a lot, given the
- 14 talent and skill of the group, and you've more than
- 15 met our expectations.
- 16 It is truly a demonstration of the value of
- 17 the public/private partnerships that such a diverse
- 18 group can come together to act so quickly and so
- 19 successfully on a highly technical project.
- 20 As shown in the agenda, today we will hear a
- 21 final report and summary of the draft recommendations
- 22 from the Advisory Committee's Project Management
- 23 Working Group, after which we will discuss and vote
- 24 upon the amendments that have been submitted during
- 25 the past week. Finally, the Advisory Committee will

- 1 vote upon the mission critical recommendations that
- 2 will be presented to the Commission. I certainly look
- 3 forward to these recommendations.
- I want to thank each of you for the
- 5 commitment and skill that you've brought to this very
- 6 important project. Let us begin. I think we should
- 7 start by doing a roll call. We have a number of
- 8 people at the table here, but we also have a number on
- 9 the telephone bridge, so let me start on the telephone
- 10 bridge and let's see who's here.
- 11 Raymond Ban?
- 12 MR. BAN: Present.
- MR. MORAN: Marcia Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Good morning.
- MR. MORAN: Good morning.
- 16 Leslie Chapman-Henderson?
- 17 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: No response there.
- 19 Marion Dunn-Tutor?
- 20 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Thomas Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes, sir. Present.
- MR. MORAN: Gadi Mazor?
- 24 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Kevin McGinnis?

- 1 MR. McGINNIS: Present.
- 2 MR. MORAN: All right. Illka Niva?
- 3 (No response.)
- 4 MR. MORAN: Art Prest?
- 5 MR. PREST: Here.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Pat Roberts?
- 7 MR. ROBERTS: Here.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Anthony Rutkowski?
- 9 MR. RUTKOWSKI: Here, but I'm in Berlin.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Okay. Paul Wilcock?
- 11 MR. WILCOCK: Present.
- MR. MORAN: Dale Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Present.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. The ones that we didn't
- 15 get, let me try them once more.
- 16 Leslie Chapman-Henderson?
- 17 (No response.)
- 18 MR. MORAN: Marion Dunn-Tutor?
- 19 (No response.)
- 20 MR. MORAN: Gadi Mazor?
- 21 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: And Illka Niva?
- 23 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's go around the table
- 25 and make sure we have these straight.

1	Robert Adams?
2	MR. ADAMS: Here.
3	MR. MORAN: Ann Arnold?
4	MS. ARNOLD: Here.
5	MR. MORAN: Ralph Aubry?
6	MR. AUBRY: Here.
7	MR. MORAN: Dale Barr?
8	MR. BARR: Here.
9	MR. MORAN: Eugene Berardi?
10	MR. BERARDI: Here.
11	MR. MORAN: Cheryl Blum?
12	MR. BLUM: Here.
13	MR. MORAN: Art Botterell?
14	MR. BOTTERELL: Here.
15	MR. MORAN: Stephen Carter?
16	MR. CARTER: Here.
17	MR. MORAN: Edward Czarnecki?
18	MR. CZARNECKI: Present.
19	MR. MORAN: Brian Daly?
20	MR. DALY: Here.
21	MR. MORAN: Amar Deol?
22	MR. DEOL: Here.
23	MR. MORAN: Robin Erkilla?

MR. ERKILLA: Here.

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MR. MORAN: Maria Estefania?

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	MS.	ESTEFANIA:	Here.

- 2 MR. MORAN: Dale Gehman is on the phone.
- 3 Christopher Guttman-McCabe?
- 4 MR. GUTTMAN-McCABE: Here.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Gary Jones?
- 6 MR. JONES: Here.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Brenda Kelley-Frey?
- 8 (No response.)
- 9 MR. MORAN: Rob Kubik?
- MR. KUBIK: Here.
- 11 MR. MORAN: John Lawson?
- MR. LAWSON: Here.
- MR. MORAN: Anthony Melone?
- MR. MELONE: Here.
- MR. MORAN: Richard Mirgon?
- MR. MIRGON: Here.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Jay Pabley?
- MR. PABLEY: Here.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Mark Paese?
- MR. PAESE: Here.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Eric Peterson?
- MR. PETERSON: Here.
- MR. MORAN: Billy Pitts?
- MR. PITTS: Here.
- MR. MORAN: Doug Rutledge?

- 1 MR. PITTS: Here.
- 2 MR. MORAN: David Webb?
- 3 MR. WEBB: Here.
- 4 MR. MORAN: William Wertz?
- 5 MR. WERTZ: Here.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Kelly Williams?
- 7 MR. WILLIAMS: Here.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay. Yes? I'm sorry?
- 9 MR. EHRLICH: Yes. You didn't call my name.
- 10 Edward Ehrlich. I was here for Illka Niva.
- MR. MORAN: I'm sorry.
- MR. EHRLICH: We discussed this on Monday.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you. So you're
- 14 here from Nokia, and your name is Ed Ehrlich.
- Okay. Who else have I missed here?
- 16 MR. HAYES: Stephen Hayes here from
- 17 Ericsson.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Stephen Hayes from Ericsson.
- 19 MR. OSHINSKY: And Stephen Oshinsky for
- 20 American Association of Paging Carriers.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Could you indicate your last
- 22 name?
- MR. OSHINSKY: Oshinsky.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Anyone else at the table
- 25 representing someone I called or mispronounced their

- 1 name?
- 2 (No response.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 4 MALE VOICE: For those of us who are on the
- 5 conference switch, is that Derek Poarch talking?
- 6 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry?
- 7 MALE VOICE: Is that Derek?
- 8 MR. MORAN: No. I'm sorry. My name is Ken
- 9 Moran. I apologize. I'm Deputy Chief of the Public
- 10 Safety and Homeland Security Bureau. Chief Poarch is
- 11 unfortunately out of town today on assignment.
- 12 I think we'll begin with Jeff Goldthorp has
- 13 a presentation on the recommendations, the draft
- 14 recommendations.
- 15 MR. GOLDTHORP: This is a tight fit. Thank
- 16 you, Ken, and good morning to all of you.
- 17 Before I start, let me also offer my thanks
- 18 to all of you for your hard work this year these last
- 19 10 months, not even really a year. I can remember
- 20 back in December when we first met and thought about
- 21 how much of a challenge this was after looking over
- 22 what had been asked of us in the Act, and it was.
- The work that's been done I think is
- 24 phenomenal, and it's my opinion it's a great piece of
- 25 work and so I'm impressed with the effort that all of

- 1 you put in. I extend my special thanks to the folks
- 2 that I've worked the closest with on the project
- 3 management team, so I thank all of you for all the
- 4 hours that you put in and to all the members of your
- 5 teams.
- 6 What I will be doing today is summarizing
- 7 the recommendations that the committee has made and
- 8 the recommendations that will be considered by the
- 9 full committee today. I'm not going to go into
- 10 detail. You've had the report now since the 24th, and
- 11 probably even before that you've seen drafts of it so
- 12 there's no need for me to go into great detail.
- 13 I wanted to outline the recommendation and
- 14 give you some context on how we got where we are.
- 15 Some of this you've seen before. Maybe all of it
- 16 you've seen before, but it doesn't hurt to repeat some
- 17 of these things today. I won't go on for very long.
- 18 First of all, the WARN Act. The WARN Act
- 19 was adopted last October as part of a much larger
- 20 piece of legislation, and what the WARN Act does is
- 21 call for the creation of a voluntary commercial mobile
- 22 service provider alert system. The process by which
- 23 such a system would be brought into existence is
- 24 described in the Act.
- The first step in that process, and that's

- 1 important. The first step in that process was the
- 2 formation of this committee and the gathering of a
- 3 group of experts from across the industry to develop
- 4 system critical recommendations on protocols and
- 5 interfaces and requirements for the system. Those are
- 6 the recommendations that you have in front of you,
- 7 along with those amendments that we'll consider today.
- 8 Those are in front of you as well.
- 9 After today the committee's work will be
- 10 done, but the work that the WARN Act envisions will
- 11 not be done. The WARN Act also talks about work for
- 12 the Commission that goes into a 180-day rulemaking
- 13 cycle where we will be substantiating rules, technical
- 14 rules for commercial mobile service providers that opt
- 15 to transmit emergency alerts.
- As I said, it's a voluntary system, but it's
- 17 a voluntary system in which if you elect to
- 18 participate you have to participate according to
- 19 certain rules, and those would be the rules that we
- 20 put into effect 180 days, roughly speaking, from now.
- 21 After that is done there will be another --
- 22 well, actually I shouldn't necessarily put these in
- 23 sequence because I don't know how it will all be
- 24 timed, but there is a 120 day cycle for the Commission
- 25 to put together rules, licensing rules for commercial

- 1 mobile service providers to opt into the process.
- That will need to be completed, and there's
- 3 also a proceeding that's envisioned involving public
- 4 broadcasters to enable what I'll call geotargeting of
- 5 alerts. All that work is in front of us yet. The
- 6 work of the committee is now mostly behind us, and
- 7 we'll be talking in detail about that today.
- 8 The statutory deliverables for this
- 9 committee are listed in front of you. I won't talk
- 10 about each of these in turn specifically in the
- 11 remarks that I'll make today but I will say that we,
- 12 in preparing the report, have gone through and made
- 13 sure that each of these points have been addressed, so
- 14 I'm confident that the obligations that we have under
- 15 the Act have been addressed in the recommendations
- 16 that have been made.
- 17 As I go through here I'll try and make clear
- 18 which ones apply to which section or which set of
- 19 recommendations, but these recommendations span from
- 20 the first one there -- which turns out to be quite a
- 21 bit of technical detail, technical protocols,
- 22 technical specifications for conveying alerts to
- 23 commercial mobile service providers that elect to
- 24 participate in the program -- all the way up to
- 25 procedures for end users to opt out of certain alerts.

- 1 So the rules really do cover a fairly broad
- 2 range of features about this system. Not the rules,
- 3 but the statutory obligations that this committee was
- 4 operating under. The rules are yet to be defined.
- 5 The diagram that's in front of you right now
- 6 is a reference model that you've seen before I think
- 7 several times now. There are some words up here that
- 8 I've added just because these are recommendations.
- 9 They're not conclusions of the committee yet.
- 10 If you look at this diagram, and let me just
- 11 summarize it one last time before we go to consider
- 12 the document today. Three domains in this document.
- 13 On the left-hand side, the origination space, the
- 14 entities that will be originating alerts for
- 15 transmission to wireless carriers or commercial mobile
- 16 service providers. These can be local entities. They
- 17 can be state entities. They can be federal entities.
- 18 The alerts that are being delivered now to
- 19 in many cases, and I'm going to use the term carriers
- 20 in place of commercial mobile service providers
- 21 because it's easier and it doesn't take as long. When
- 22 I say carriers, that's what I mean.
- The carriers in many cases have national
- 24 footprints, so one of the recommendations that you
- 25 will see in the report is that there will be a

- 1 centralized aggregation function that will collect
- 2 these alerts and distribute them over a single feed or
- 3 redundant feeds to carriers rather than having them be
- 4 distributed through multiple geographic points of
- 5 presence, so that was one of the requirements or one
- 6 of the recommendations that came out of the committee.
- 7 Another recommendation was that the
- 8 authentication function which would be done in the
- 9 center domain would be done by a federal entity, a
- 10 government entity. That authentication is not
- 11 something that should be left to a commercial entity,
- 12 so that is a function that's being done here in the
- 13 alert aggregation portion of the architecture.
- 14 There's also a function in this
- 15 authentication and processing domain called a gateway,
- 16 and this is the function where alerts are translated
- 17 from CAP format, which is the format that is used to
- 18 transmit alerts from the origination point into the
- 19 system, to a format that can be delivered to the
- 20 carrier community.
- That interface is the C interface. Alerts
- 22 that go over the C interface do not go over the C
- 23 interface in CAP format. They go over the C interface
- 24 using the protocol specified or recommended in this
- 25 document. These are recommendations, so bear that in

- 1 mind, but it is recommended that the alerts not go
- 2 over the C interface in CAP.
- 3 So the gateway does that translation, and it
- 4 does a number of other things as well. It maintains
- 5 profiles about each of the carriers that are
- 6 participating.
- 7 Profiles help the gateway to know where
- 8 alerts are going and specific information about the
- 9 carriers that are participating that help it to
- 10 customize the alert for delivery to the carriers, so
- 11 it's almost you can think of it as a translation
- 12 function for the alerts coming in from the alerting
- 13 origination site to the carrier side of the
- 14 architecture.
- 15 And then finally there's the carrier domain,
- 16 which is administered by the carriers that are
- 17 participating in the program. The first entity in
- 18 that portion of the architecture is the gateway. Each
- 19 of the carriers that participate will have one or more
- 20 gateways that they will administer, and that's the
- 21 unit in the architecture that receives the alerts over
- 22 the C interface and prepares them for transmission out
- 23 over the wireless infrastructure. It makes decisions
- 24 about which cell sites, for example, to light up for
- 25 certain types of targeted alerts, so that function

- 1 would be performed by the gateway.
- 2 From there on the alerts float out into the
- 3 wireless architecture itself, make their way down into
- 4 the handset where the end user is notified of the
- 5 alert, depending on the options that they've set and
- 6 what they have chosen to -- I'll say if they've opted
- 7 out of certain types of alerts, they won't receive
- 8 those alerts. They would receive other types of
- 9 alerts, and we'll get into that a little bit.
- 10 In the WARN Act there is a notion of "in
- 11 whole or in part." One of the things the committee
- 12 did was to interpret the meaning of that term in the
- 13 context of the section of the Act that applies to the
- 14 committee. There's a portion in that section that
- 15 implies that the committee is supposed to come up with
- 16 recommendations on how a carrier that can only support
- 17 the distribution of alerts in certain areas or on
- 18 certain devices, how that can be implemented.
- 19 The recommendations you have in front of you
- 20 include recommendations for how a carrier would do
- 21 that. The interpretation of in whole or in part is
- 22 just that; that you can have a carrier that can
- 23 support delivery of alerts on a subset of their
- 24 service area or on a subset of devices either now or
- 25 in the future.

- 1 This section of the document that I'm
- 2 referring to here uses a set of diagrams using
- 3 deployment scenarios just to give a sense of the
- 4 kinds, almost the permutations of coverage areas and
- 5 different devices supported that could occur in a real
- 6 world environment, so there are a number of diagrams
- 7 in the section. There's also recommended language for
- 8 how a carrier would notify an end user of their
- 9 intention to support the distribution of alerts in
- 10 part or not at all.
- 11 Alert scenarios are, I'll say, use cases.
- 12 When you look at the document you will see a number of
- 13 diagrams that look like message flows, protocol
- 14 diagrams where you'll see messages flowing not through
- 15 the architecture -- well, it is through the
- 16 architecture, but you won't see it looking like the
- 17 architecture. It's just showing how the message would
- 18 flow in different scenarios.
- The value of doing something like this is it
- 20 will identify the need for certain functionality in
- 21 the architecture that may not have been considered
- 22 before. It will identify error cases that need to be
- 23 considered and dealt with in the form of error
- 24 messages.
- 25 So you won't find in this section specific

- 1 recommendations, but it was a very useful exercise to
- 2 go through just to come up with use cases that would
- 3 reveal things that did lead to recommendations in
- 4 other sections of the document.
- 5 General recommendations. By the way, at the
- 6 top of these slides I'm listing the sections in the
- 7 Act that refer to the specific obligations that the
- 8 committee had and ones that I had listed in the first
- 9 or the second slide of today's talk. If you go
- 10 through here you'll find that we've covered all of the
- 11 things that the committee asked us to do.
- 12 In general recommendations, the committee
- 13 concluded that, first of all, the system be used only
- 14 for severe alerts, severe emergencies. Now, what is a
- 15 severe emergency? The committee tried to take a stab
- 16 at what that would be. First of all, obviously a
- 17 Presidential alert trumps all and is severe.
- 18 Also imminent threat to life and property is
- 19 considered to be severe, so a condition, an emergency,
- 20 would have to be one that involved imminent threat to
- 21 life and property for an alert involving that
- 22 condition to be considered worthy I'll say of being
- 23 transmitted over the system.
- 24 And finally, amber alerts, so-called amber
- 25 alerts, are also considered to be a class of alert

- 1 that would be supported by the system, so those are
- 2 the classes of alert that would be supported by the
- 3 system or recommended for being supported by the
- 4 system.
- 5 Also in this section we get into the topic
- 6 of geotargeting. Geotargeting is a complex technical
- 7 issue, and it's sort of a layered issue right now.
- 8 For starters, the recommendation is that early
- 9 implementations, and I've got county in quotes here
- 10 because there are a number of ways of interpreting
- 11 this language and I don't want to parse this too
- 12 carefully because we could get into a long
- 13 conversation about this.
- 14 The language in the document itself makes
- 15 clear what I mean by that. Early implementations will
- 16 emphasize targeting, loosely speaking, at the county
- 17 level. It doesn't limit it to that. Carriers that
- 18 choose to target on a more granular level than that
- 19 are free to do so, so it's not a prescription, but it
- 20 is a recommendation that that not be a requirement at
- 21 this point, but it be more precise.
- 22 It's understood that even now there are
- 23 areas in the country that have more urgent alerting
- 24 needs than others and more urgent needs for tighter
- 25 geotargeting than county level, so it is understood

- 1 that an effort should be launched to try to identify
- 2 what those areas are and identify ways of being more
- 3 precise even early on.
- 4 Now, this gets in very quickly to the notion
- 5 of -- and you get on a slippery slope here that I
- 6 really don't want to get onto, but I feel compelled to
- 7 -- static versus dynamic geotargeting. The nirvana
- 8 and the goal that's expressed in the document as where
- 9 the committee is recommending we had is essentially
- 10 dynamic geotargeting. The recommendation is that
- 11 we're not there yet, but that is where we aspire to
- 12 be.
- Dynamic geotargeting simply means that the
- 14 alert originator would have the freedom to specify
- 15 where the alert would go. The system itself would
- 16 place no constraints on the geotargeting boundaries
- 17 per se.
- 18 Static geotargeting, you know, on the other
- 19 hand is one in which you've got specific areas where
- 20 you can target alerts to. For the moment, for now,
- 21 that's the world we live in, or it appears to be the
- 22 world we live in, and that's the world that the
- 23 committee is recommending that we live with for now.
- 24 That world can be tightened in certain cases by
- 25 limiting or making the static area more granular.

- 1 Special needs communities. Two issues
- 2 there. One is there is a recommendation for a common
- 3 audio attention signal and a vibration cadence. It
- 4 turns out that a lot of the requirements for the
- 5 disabled access community are essentially the same as
- 6 the requirements that would exist for the mass market.
- 7 That was a surprise to me personally. I
- 8 thought that there would be some differences there,
- 9 but the conclusion of the committee is that there is a
- 10 lot of commonality in that respect.
- 11 Subscriber opt out. There's a provision in
- 12 the Act that subscribers have the ability to opt out
- 13 of certain types of alerts. The committee has
- 14 recommended that under no circumstances should a
- 15 subscriber be permitted to opt out of a Presidential
- 16 alert; that absent that -- so keeping in mind that all
- 17 Presidential alerts go through, okay -- then a
- 18 subscriber would have three choices. A subscriber
- 19 could opt out of all alerts, could opt out of severe
- 20 alerts, could opt out of amber alerts, so those are
- 21 the choices that a subscriber would have for opt out.
- 22 Finally in this section, support for
- 23 languages other than English, a topic that I know the
- 24 committee spent quite a bit of time, and the
- 25 conclusion now and the recommendations is that the

- 1 technical issues or limitations or technical
- 2 challenges that are posed by this problem are beyond
- 3 the reach using today's technology.
- 4 Certainly that may not be true forever, but
- 5 it is true now, so English is the language that is
- 6 supported today. That doesn't mean that that will be
- 7 the only language supported for all time.
- 8 Service profiles. I use the term
- 9 technological neutrality. I find personally looking
- 10 at the recommendations that the recommendations are
- 11 technically neutral or technologically neutral,
- 12 technologically neutral in the sense that the
- 13 underlying architecture and the underlying protocols
- 14 are based on service profiles, not technology
- 15 profiles.
- 16 It's not like we sat down and defined a set
- 17 of technology profiles and said that these are the
- 18 only platforms that this alert system can operate on.
- 19 Instead, the committee identified service profiles,
- 20 and the service profiles are such that technologies
- 21 can be built on top of the service profiles. I've
- 22 listed the various service profiles that are defined
- 23 in the recommendations.
- 24 Mobile device recommendations. The main
- 25 finding in mobile device recommendations -- there are

- 1 more than this, but the main one and the one that
- 2 we've talked a lot about is battery life. We were
- 3 very concerned about battery life early on, and we've
- 4 learned in the months since that with certain
- 5 provisions made it's likely not to be as big an issue
- 6 as we thought.
- 7 This is going to require changes in the
- 8 network. It's going to require changes in handsets.
- 9 It's going to require new standards. We're going to
- 10 go through a new standards cycle anyway, and there
- 11 will be changes made in all three of these areas for
- 12 any of this stuff, any of the things I've been talking
- 13 about. Battery life is one of the things that's got
- 14 to be added to the list of changes made.
- 15 Let me go through the security performance
- 16 and reliability issues. This will be essentially my
- 17 last slide. For security, there is a notion of a
- 18 trust model that's been defined. That model, the
- 19 trust model, is implemented in the center domain, the
- 20 aggregation and authentication domain.
- 21 That is the trust model portion of the
- 22 architecture where alerts that are coming in from
- 23 various sources are authenticated so that when they're
- 24 handed off to a carrier for delivery the carrier can
- 25 be assured that the alert is from a trusted source.

- 1 The architecture includes capabilities for
- 2 buffering and for overload. It includes highly
- 3 reliable gateway elements. The reason that's
- 4 important is because the gateways tend to be single
- 5 points of failure, so those are highly reliable
- 6 devices.
- 7 Latency in the device as far as performance
- 8 goes is very difficult to predict. At this point we
- 9 don't have it implemented. The system is not
- 10 implemented, so it's hard to predict and there are no
- 11 specific predictions for latency at this point, but
- 12 there's a recommendation that logging and testing be
- 13 used so that data can be accumulated that can be used
- 14 to improve the system going forward.
- 15 Finally, maybe the most technically detailed
- 16 section of the document, the interface protocols
- 17 themselves go into extensive detail and in particular
- 18 on the C interface, which is the interface to the
- 19 carrier community.
- That is the last section of the document.
- 21 I'm not going to go into any detail on this, but there
- 22 is extensive detail in that section of the document.
- 23 Thank you for all of your hard work, and
- 24 that concludes my remarks.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you, Jeff.

- 1 Next let's take up the amendments. I
- 2 believe each of you have a set of the amendments.
- 3 Good. Let me tell you the basic procedure we're going
- 4 to go through.
- 5 We'll have the originator present the
- 6 amendment and briefly describe why the person believes
- 7 the amendment should be passed. We'll have
- 8 discussion. There are so many amendments here. There
- 9 are at least 12. I think some of these are sort of
- 10 duplicates. There may be more than 12.
- 11 I'd like to hold the discussion to three
- 12 minutes or less if we can, and then after the
- 13 discussion we'll have an up or down vote. The vote
- 14 will be by majority rule of committee members
- 15 participating in the meeting today, which we think the
- 16 count is 39. Is that what we have at this point?
- 17 Okay.
- 18 Let's start with Mr. Daly. I think you have
- 19 an amendment regarding reference architecture.
- MR. DALY: Yes.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Okay. Could you present that?
- 22 MR. DALY: Yes. As is mentioned throughout
- 23 the document, there's a Reference Point D and a
- 24 Reference Point E mentioned several times. Reference
- 25 Point D on the architecture diagram, which Jeff

- 1 showed, is between the CMSP gateway and the commercial
- 2 mobile service provider infrastructure. Reference
- 3 Point E is from the infrastructure out to the mobile
- 4 device.
- 5 This proposed amendment just proposes to
- 6 include those reference points on the diagram and also
- 7 makes an editorial change to the figure at the bottom
- 8 for the mobile device.
- 9 Since we do also include paging technology
- 10 we would recommend that the device that's included be
- 11 changed to include a pager device, as well as a figure
- 12 more representative of a mobile handheld device.
- And then the second is in Section 2.3.4,
- 14 just a note where Reference Point D resides in the
- 15 architecture.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 17 Can we have a second on that proposal?
- 18 MR. OSHINSKY: Second.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any discussion? Would
- 20 anyone like to discuss this?
- 21 (No response.)
- 22 MR. MORAN: Actually I would like to check
- 23 the teleconference in case anyone came on board since
- 24 we began. Let me find out.
- 25 Is Leslie Chapman-Henderson on board on the

- 1 telephone bridge?
- 2 (No response.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Marion Dunn-Tutor?
- 4 (No response.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Gadi Mazor?
- 6 (No response.)
- 7 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have the same list.
- I see no proposed discussion here in the
- 9 room. Anyone on the bridge want to discuss this
- 10 proposal?
- 11 (No response.)
- 12 MR. MORAN: I hear none. Let's have a vote.
- 13 In the room here we're going to do a show of hands.
- 14 All those in favor raise their hand.
- 15 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 16 MR. MORAN: Okay. I think maybe we can
- 17 subtract. We'll try that on the next vote as long as
- 18 they're unanimous. What do you have?
- 19 MS. FOWLKES: Thirty.
- MR. MORAN: Thirty. Okay. Let's see. Is
- 21 that what we thought we had here? Thank you. Yes, we
- 22 thought there were 30 in the room here.
- 23 MS. FOWLKES: Are you letting the people on
- 24 the phone vote?
- MR. MORAN: Yes, we are. The people on the

- 1 teleconference, I'm going to call your names. You
- 2 tell me yea or nay.
- 3 Raymond Ban?
- 4 MR. BAN: Yea.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Marcia Brooks?
- 6 MS. BROOKS: Yea.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Thomas Lyon?
- 8 MR. LYON: Yea.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Kevin McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yea.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Art Prest?
- MR. PREST: Yea from merry olde England.
- 13 MR. MORAN: Pat Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Anthony Rutkowski?
- 16 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: We may have lost someone there.
- 18 Paul Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: Yea.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Dale Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Anthony Rutkowski?
- 23 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: We seem to have lost one there.
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: You've also gained one.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Okay. And who is this?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Marion Dunn-Tutor.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Thank you, Marion. Marion, have
- 4 you heard this amendment that's been offered?
- 5 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 6 MR. MORAN: What's your vote on that?
- 7 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Aye.
- 8 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry. Aye? Okay.
- 9 MS. FOWLKES: It's a majority.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Okay. We certainly have a
- 11 majority, so that amendment passes.
- The next one I have on my list anyway is,
- 13 Brian, another one of yours, amendment to Section 5.
- 14 MR. DALY: Yes. This is Brian Daly again.
- 15 In Section 5 there is mention of the creation of an
- 16 Industry Group for review of the Advisory Committee
- 17 recommendations, and the current text recommends the
- 18 Industry Group should meet on a biennial basis.
- 19 However, there's other recommendations
- 20 throughout the document which give some specific tasks
- 21 to this biennial review, including reviewing the
- 22 research project for geotargeting, address any issues
- 23 that might arise during development, deployment and so
- 24 forth.
- 25 So the recommendation in Section 5 is to add

- 1 a sentence at the end that it is expected that during
- 2 the research, development and deployment this Industry
- 3 Group may need to convene more frequently than
- 4 biennially to address research, conclusions and any
- 5 development or deployment issues.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Thank you. Do we have a second?
- 7 MR. AUBRY: Second.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any discussion?
- 9 (No response.)
- 10 MR. MORAN: I see none in the room. On the
- 11 bridge if anyone wants to discuss this, speak up.
- 12 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's take it for a vote.
- 14 In the room here let's start with all the nays.
- 15 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: No nays? Any abstentions?
- 17 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. The FCC abstains. I
- 19 think we know what that count means. Is there any
- 20 other option besides those two and yeas?
- On the bridge, let me go down the roll call
- 22 again once again there. You vote yea or nay.
- 23 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Marcia Brooks?

- 1 MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Marion Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Thomas Lyon?
- 5 MR. LYON: Yes.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Kevin McGinnis?
- 7 MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Art Prest?
- 9 MR. PREST: Yes.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Pat Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Anthony Rutkowski?
- 13 (No response.)
- 14 MR. MORAN: Paul Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: Yea.
- MR. MORAN: Dale Gehman?
- 17 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have that count,
- 19 Lisa?
- MS. FOWLKES: A majority.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Okay. The majority certainly.
- 22 I assume everybody here was yes, although I didn't ask
- 23 for it, so we have those two passed.
- Okay. Another one, Brian, from you, the
- 25 amendment to Section 5.1?

- 1 MR. DALY: Yes. Thank you. This is Brian
- 2 Daly.
- 3 Earlier in the process when we were creating
- 4 Draft 2 of the Advisory Committee recommendations
- 5 there were two change requests which came in, one from
- 6 the CTG and one from the User Needs Group. These two
- 7 proposed change requests did go in to modify the same
- 8 section of the document, and pieces of each were
- 9 accepted for inclusion into the draft at that point.
- 10 However, I believe through the editing
- 11 process some of the text actually did not make it into
- 12 the document, and we noted that missing text in this
- 13 proposed amendment. I'll highlight just the changes.
- 14 First, that a commercial mobile service
- 15 provider that elects to transmit under Section
- 16 602(b)(2) of the WARN Act may not impose separate or
- 17 additional charge for such transmission or capability
- 18 when the emergency alerts are transmitted in a manner
- 19 consistent with the technical standards, protocols,
- 20 procedures and other technical requirements
- 21 implemented by the Commission.
- 22 For transmission or service beyond the
- 23 standards protocols, procedures and other technical
- 24 requirements implemented by the Commission, a
- 25 commercial mobile service licensee is not bound by

- 1 Section 602(b)(2)(C) of the WARN Act.
- In addition, the commercial mobile service
- 3 licensee may utilize the technical standards
- 4 protocols, procedures and other technical requirements
- 5 implemented by the Commission to support the WARN Act
- 6 for other services or purposes and are not bound by
- 7 Section 602(b)(2)(C) of the WARN Act.
- 8 Moving on to the second page, CMAS will be
- 9 provided according to the technical standards,
- 10 protocols, procedures and technical requirements
- 11 implemented by the Commission, and a service provider
- 12 shall not be bound to any specific vendor, technology,
- 13 software implementation, client device or third party
- 14 agent in order to meet the obligations under the WARN
- 15 Act.
- 16 The next paragraph states that
- 17 standardization of these protocols/procedures should
- 18 be done in an industry forum which have a well
- 19 defined, reasonable and nondiscriminatory intellectual
- 20 property rights policy allowing for multivendor
- 21 implementations, and it is anticipated that mobile
- 22 devices may incur additional development and
- 23 manufacturing costs, and these costs may be passed on
- 24 to the subscriber.
- 25 A commercial mobile service provider or any

- 1 device deployed by the commercial mobile service
- 2 provider to support the transmission of CMAS alerts
- 3 according to the WARN Act shall not be required to
- 4 identify location or location history of the mobile
- 5 device.
- 6 Again, this was agreed upon text within the
- 7 CTG and was part of a change request that went to the
- 8 PMG, but I believe through editorial omission it was
- 9 not in the final recommendations.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you. Do we have a
- 11 second?
- 12 MALE VOICE: Second.
- 13 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any discussion?
- 14 MS. ARNOLD: I wanted to ask a question,
- 15 please.
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- 17 MS. ARNOLD: We have agreed to a report that
- 18 would recommend a really minimal kind of messaging for
- 19 cellular companies to do because we're told that
- 20 that's the most that all of the companies can agree to
- 21 at this point, but I don't see why people should be
- 22 charged for getting additional kinds of services that
- 23 we all agree would be appropriate and helpful.
- I mean, why would we want the consumers to
- 25 be charged for being able to get a video or an audio

- 1 when those kinds of services or additional
- 2 implementations are only going to be done when the
- 3 cellular company gets paid for those by virtue of what
- 4 the consumer is getting in the regular cellular
- 5 service? I don't see why there should be an
- 6 additional fee for any kind of EAS alert.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Anyone? Brian?
- 8 MR. DALY: Yes. Brian Daly. What I believe
- 9 this is trying to state is that the standards,
- 10 protocols and procedures that are defined within the
- 11 recommendations, they do include future technologies
- 12 such as multimedia, streaming video, streaming audio,
- 13 so the intent is that as defined in the
- 14 recommendations those services that do fall under the
- 15 WARN Act and under the recommendations would be
- 16 provided as specified in Section 602(b)(2)(C) of the
- 17 WARN Act.
- 18 MR. WERTZ: Bill Wertz here. Am I to
- 19 understand then by what you're saying that multimedia
- 20 streaming or whatever future technologies that might
- 21 be available under the first three scenarios would not
- 22 be charged to a subscriber, but additional messages
- 23 beyond those three categories may be?
- 24 Under Presidential level, imminent threat
- 25 and amber, if there was a multimedia version of that

- 1 would the customer be charged for that or not under
- 2 this amendment?
- 3 MR. DALY: As long as it fits under the
- 4 definition and scope of a wireless emergency alert,
- 5 no. It would fall under the WARN act stipulations for
- 6 that.
- 7 MR. MELONE: Can I make a comment?
- 8 MR. MORAN: Yes, go ahead.
- 9 MR. MELONE: I think what's intended in this
- 10 language can be simply stated that technology that is
- 11 deployed to serve emergency alerts is likely to also
- 12 be used for other commercial products.
- So, for instance, there may be a product
- 14 that uses broadcast SMS totally outside of emergency
- 15 alerts. The carriers are simply stating that we are
- 16 allowed to charge for such services should we develop
- 17 them.
- 18 Simply because we're using the same
- 19 technology that's used for emergency alerts should not
- 20 preclude the carriers from being able to charge for
- 21 those services. I think that's the essence of that
- 22 language.
- 23 MR. MORAN: Anyone else? Please identify
- 24 yourself.
- 25 MR. BERARDI: Yes. This is Gene Berardi.

- 1 My question is --
- MR. BAN: This is Ray Ban on the bridge.
- 3 We've lost contact with the meeting room.
- 4 MR. BERARDI: I'm sorry. This is Gene
- 5 Berardi. Can you hear me?
- 6 MR. BAN: Yes.
- 7 MR. BERARDI: Okay. So a point of clarity
- 8 on the second paragraph. Is that being decided on a
- 9 carrier-by-carrier basis whether or not something was
- 10 sent out that should not have been?
- If something is sent out via the system that
- 12 is determined not to fall within the scope of the
- 13 three categories that we've defined, who's making the
- 14 determination that there should be charges incurred?
- 15 Would each carrier decide separately whether or not
- 16 to?
- MR. DALY: Well, as Tony had mentioned, if
- 18 it's a commercial service obviously that would be a
- 19 carrier decision. If it falls under the
- 20 recommendations and protocols that are defined as far
- 21 as the recommendations of the Advisory Committee then
- 22 that would fall under all carriers.
- 23 MR. BERARDI: I may not be clear. If
- 24 somebody who is a valid originator for emergency
- 25 alerts sends something out that is later determined

- 1 not to fall within the three categories -- in other
- 2 words, it was a gray area and somebody believes it did
- 3 not apply. Who would then decide to charge either the
- 4 end users or the originator?
- 5 MR. MELONE: Do you want me to take that,
- 6 Brian?
- 7 MR. DALY: Sure.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Yes. Please identify yourself.
- 9 MR. MELONE: This is Tony Melone. That
- 10 decision is made by the government entity
- 11 administering the alert gateway. For emergency alerts
- 12 through this system that's being recommended there
- 13 will be no charges for delivery. If it gets through
- 14 the gateway it will be delivered at no charge.
- MR. BERARDI: Okay.
- 16 MR. MELONE: So the rules around that are
- 17 government administered rules based on the final
- 18 recommendations and final decisions and rules.
- MR. BERARDI: Okay.
- MR. MELONE: What you're describing is more
- 21 likely to be a commercial arrangement between a local
- 22 emergency entity and one or more wireless carriers
- 23 that would fall outside of this recommendation. There
- 24 would be a different infrastructure most likely to
- 25 provide that commercial service.

- 1 MR. BERARDI: Okay. Thank you for the
- 2 clarification.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Okay. Anything else?
- 4 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Williams?
- 6 MR. WILLIAMS: I have two questions. One,
- 7 it strikes me as odd. This is an awful lot of text to
- 8 just seem to be omitted by accident, and I'm wondering
- 9 if anybody, since this was a submitted change and all
- 10 changes were reviewed, if there is someone on the
- 11 Management Committee who can address why this text
- 12 wasn't in there and whether this is an attempt, and I
- 13 say this with all due respect, to get in text that was
- 14 deemed not to be put in the document kind of as a
- 15 second chance.
- The other question that I have, and this
- 17 sort of bothers me overall about the report, is sort
- 18 of assessing the language here. We've sort of created
- 19 a document that's based on a technology that does not
- 20 now exist, and we're relying upon the fact that at
- 21 some point the government will build that aggregation
- 22 and gateway function.
- The question is if that's never built, if
- 24 it's never funded and never built, does this paragraph
- 25 say that the carriers are then relieved of their

- 1 obligations under 602(b)(2)? That I guess goes to
- 2 you, Ken.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Actually, Jeff, can you speak to
- 4 his first question? As the chair of the Management
- 5 Group, do you have anything in response why this
- 6 language wasn't in the document?
- 7 MR. GOLDTHORP: I don't recall. This
- 8 language I think was in a fairly early draft -- right,
- 9 Brian -- and so it's been a while since it's been in
- 10 here. I don't remember the circumstances under which
- 11 it was removed from the document, so I don't have
- 12 anything to add at this point.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. And your second question
- 14 is if the system is never built?
- 15 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: What was your question?
- 17 MR. WILLIAMS: Does this language relieve
- 18 the carriers of their obligation under 602(b)(2)?
- 19 MR. MORAN: Lisa, do you have a call on
- 20 that?
- 21 MS. FOWLKES: I think the only answer that I
- 22 can give is just a general answer, which is that these
- 23 are recommendations that, assuming they're adopted,
- 24 would have come from the committee and so the
- 25 recommendations by themselves without further action,

- 1 they're just that. Recommendations.
- 2 I think the question of under what
- 3 circumstances carriers will be required to comply with
- 4 the WARN Act, questions regarding what exactly at the
- 5 end of the day is the system that's adopted, is
- 6 something that would have to be addressed in the FCC
- 7 rulemaking. I mean, that's essentially the only
- 8 answer I can give you.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Okay. Anyone else here? Yes,
- 10 David?
- 11 MR. WEBB: Yes. Dave Webb with FEMA.
- 12 Brian, at the third paragraph, the one that talks
- 13 about "may utilize technical standards." I certainly
- 14 have no problem with a commercial entity, you know,
- 15 using this technology to go on, but I think there
- 16 needs to be something in here that reflects that it
- 17 will not come through the government gateway because
- 18 this kind of implies that okay, you're going to use a
- 19 gateway type standard somewhere, but it doesn't say
- 20 that the government gateway will only be used for
- 21 emergency alerts and warnings.
- I can agree with the entrepreneurship
- 23 totally, but we need to leave the government out of
- 24 the entrepreneurial spirit. I have no problem if you
- 25 utilize the technologies and other things that have

- 1 been developed, but we can't put the government
- 2 gateway and aggregation point into -- you know, I
- 3 can't offer for sale to a commercial vendor yes, come
- 4 and use my gateway and send messages to the carriers.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Brian, a response?
- 6 MR. DALY: Yes. Is there a specific text
- 7 where you see that? The way I read the third
- 8 paragraph is it's specifically for the commercial
- 9 mobile service provider.
- 10 MR. WEBB: But it talks about the service
- 11 licensee may utilize standards, protocols, procedures
- 12 and other requirements implemented by the Commission.
- 13 The procedure would be where I have the problem where
- 14 it would come through the government gateway and be,
- 15 you know, aggregated and then put out through the
- 16 gateway.
- 17 So we need to just differentiate that, you
- 18 know, while the system may be used for other
- 19 commercial interests the government system will not
- 20 support any commercial interest. It's solely for the
- 21 EAS.
- 22 MR. CZARNECKI: This is Ed Czarnecki. I
- 23 think what Dave has mentioned, while technologies,
- 24 approaches or methods may be developed that could have
- 25 third party or commercial implications, actual use of

- 1 a system, as opposed to an approach or methodology,
- 2 needs to be differentiated.
- Moreover, in the third paragraph, the last
- 4 sentence: The CMS provider shall not be bound to use
- 5 any specific vendor, technology, software, client
- 6 device or third party agent in order to meet the
- 7 obligations under the WARN Act.
- 8 In terms of entire systems view, I'm not
- 9 sure as one of the systems integrators in the many
- 10 IPAWS programs it makes sense at this stage to limit
- 11 or authorize any specific technology or vendor. There
- 12 may be something there that needs to be mandated by
- 13 the government in terms of their specific
- 14 architectural development. It just may be too broad,
- 15 as with the prior comment. It may be too broad of a
- 16 statement.
- 17 If I may, a third point. The fifth
- 18 paragraph, and this may be more of an editorial than a
- 19 substantive comment. It is anticipated that mobile
- 20 devices shall support CMAS and may incur additional
- 21 developing and manufacturing costs, and these costs
- 22 may be passed on to the subscriber.
- 23 Point of fact. That may or may not be true,
- 24 but my personal opinion is I'm not sure that would
- 25 rise to the level of a statement to be put in a

- 1 recommendation document. That may or may not be point
- 2 of fact true.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Okay. Does anyone on the bridge
- 4 want to discuss this item at all? Speak up, if you
- 5 would.
- 6 MR. PITTS: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Hold on. Anyone on the bridge?
- 8 (No response.)
- 9 MR. MORAN: Okay. Go ahead. I'm sorry.
- 10 Identify yourself, please.
- 11 MR. PITTS: Sorry. Billy Pitts. The last
- 12 paragraph. I was not quite sure why it was put in
- 13 there, and I wanted to know, one, because it's not
- 14 required for an identification location or location
- 15 history. I assume that's the bread crumbing concept,
- 16 but the location. Does that have any impact on the
- 17 E911 efforts?
- 18 Secondly, I saw that there was a public
- 19 filing by a company that has yet another technology
- 20 with bursting SMS that is based somewhat on location
- 21 identification, so I was wondering why this paragraph
- 22 and what impact it has on both E911 and other
- 23 technologies?
- MR. MORAN: Brian, would you care to
- 25 respond?

- 1 MR. DALY: Yes. This is Brian Daly. From
- 2 an E911 perspective, this is not addressing E911.
- 3 That's separate.
- 4 The discussion surrounding this paragraph
- 5 deals with some of the issues identified by the CTG
- 6 with regard to identifying location or keeping
- 7 location histories either within the network or
- 8 otherwise of mobile devices and the technological
- 9 considerations for that.
- 10 MR. MELONE: This is Tony Melone. If I can
- 11 add to that?
- 12 One specific area, Billy, was in mobiles
- 13 moving in or out of an area that had a previous
- 14 warning and being able to update or not update and
- 15 make decisions based on that particular mobile and
- 16 where it had or had not been was discussed and the
- 17 technical challenges with doing that were deemed to be
- 18 extraordinary, so this language is specific to that
- 19 issue.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you. Let's go to
- 21 vote.
- 22 MR. WILLIAMS: Actually, I would like to
- 23 offer an amendment to this as well. Thank you, Dr.
- 24 Czarnecki, for pointing that out.
- 25 I actually feel fairly strongly that the

- 1 Commission should not include a recommendation that
- 2 essentially is a business practice, and I agree with
- 3 Ed. I propose to delete Lines 10, 11 and 12 in
- 4 Amendment 2.
- 5 The Commission should not be recommending to
- 6 Congress that a carrier can or cannot charge for
- 7 anything except for the language that we have, but I
- 8 don't think we should say what you may charge for.
- 9 MS. ARNOLD: What would you delete again?
- 10 MR. WILLIAMS: Lines 10, 11 and 12 on page
- 11 2.
- 12 MS. ARNOLD: I second the amendment.
- 13 MR. MORAN: Okay. I think what we need to
- 14 do is we need to vote on the amendment as presented,
- 15 and we can vote on the amendment as amended.
- MR. WILLIAMS: Actually, by Robert's Rules
- 17 you have a proposal on the amendment to modify the
- 18 amendment. You have to do that first.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Okay. A vote on this?
- 20 MS. ARNOLD: Are you just wanting to have a
- 21 show of hands to indicate whether or not it's going to
- 22 be required to go into amendments?
- 23 Perhaps that's what you're interested in;
- 24 not a formal vote, but a show of hands of how many
- 25 people would oppose this whole amendment.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Okay. You proposed an
- 2 amendment. We have a second on the amendment. Do we
- 3 have any discussion on this amendment?
- 4 MR. GUTTMAN-McCABE: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Okay. Go ahead.
- 6 MR. GUTTMAN-McCABE: Chris Guttman-McCabe
- 7 with CTIA.
- 8 The reason this type of language is in there
- 9 is because, and this happens all the time. I know you
- 10 know this, but this happens all the time when
- 11 legislation comes down that makes a statement, but
- 12 doesn't detail what is meant by it.
- There's some language in the legislation
- 14 that talks about not charging, and they're trying to
- 15 get some clarity around the recommendation from this
- 16 Advisory Committee to the Commission, so the
- 17 Commission isn't adopting this per se.
- 18 It's a recommendation by this committee that
- 19 we're trying to get some clarification as to what is
- 20 meant by the ability to charge or not charge. That's
- 21 why these are in here.
- 22 So with regard to the idea that the devices
- 23 are going to likely cost more and there will be
- 24 upgrades and things like that, the idea is not to
- 25 capture a per message cost and charge anyone on that,

- 1 but if there are additional costs involved in handsets
- 2 and other upgrades that just naturally normally
- 3 independent of this process would be passed on to
- 4 consumers the idea is to capture that here.
- 5 As I said, 10 months ago the ultimate goal
- 6 of this, the only measure of success in this process,
- 7 is if the carriers say yes at the end of this and go
- 8 through this process and sign up to provide this
- 9 service.
- The idea here is not to try to bless some
- 11 business proposal or bless the ability to charge
- 12 consumers. The idea is to make sure that the process
- 13 is one that there's enough clarity around it such that
- 14 carriers feel comfortable when this is done signing
- 15 onto this process and saying yes.
- 16 MR. BOTTERELL: Mr. Chairman?
- 17 MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Botterell?
- 18 MR. BOTTERELL: Art Botterell from Contra
- 19 Costa County. I too am concerned that this language
- 20 in Lines 10, 11 and 12 on page 2 is perhaps not as
- 21 specific as we'd like to see it. I can see it being
- 22 read several different ways.
- 23 I think that Mr. Williams has suggested
- 24 deleting it. I wanted to ask Mr. Daly if he would
- 25 accept that as a friendly amendment.

- 1 MR. DALY: I think the concerns which Mr.
- 2 Guttman-McCabe just raised are the reason why it's in
- 3 there. We believe it needs to be stated and clarified
- 4 so that the Commission has a recommendation on the
- 5 clarification of the WARN Act specifically mentioning
- 6 providing the service at no cost to subscribers.
- 7 Perhaps in an alternate amendment we could
- 8 reference that section of the WARN Act and ask
- 9 specifically for the clarification that needs to be
- 10 made as far as manufacturing and infrastructure costs
- 11 and how those are treated under that section of the
- 12 WARN Act.
- 13 MR. MORAN: Let me understand. What would
- 14 your suggestion be?
- MR. DALY: What I recommend is it is
- 16 anticipated that mobile devices may incur additional
- 17 development and manufacturing costs, and these costs
- 18 are not covered under Section 602(b)(2)(C) of the WARN
- 19 Act instead of passed on to the subscriber, if that
- 20 helps to clarify the intent.
- 21 MR. ADAMS: Mr. Chairman?
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- 23 MR. ADAMS: Robert Adams. As said earlier,
- 24 maybe we could table that for the full Commission, as
- 25 Brian is saying, to revisit that when they start

- 1 studying the recommendations by this committee.
- 2 Because I agree with him. Today we don't
- 3 know if and what those costs may -- I think that's
- 4 what AT&T is trying to bring to the committee, and I
- 5 would agree with them. We don't know what it is
- 6 today, but again I think the FCC -- these are only
- 7 recommendations. I'm sure there's going to be many
- 8 hearings on this before some final Act comes out.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Williams has a
- 10 proposed amendment striking Lines 10 through 12 in
- 11 this amendment. Is that ripe for a vote?
- 12 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Anyone on the bridge before we
- 14 take the vote who wants to speak?
- 15 MR. PREST: Yes. This is Art Prest speaking
- 16 on behalf of the rural wireless carriers in the United
- 17 States.
- 18 For the rural wireless carriers to opt into
- 19 this they're going to have to make sure they keep
- 20 themselves whole. If there's an increased cost in the
- 21 mobile device that has the capability of providing
- 22 CMAS then I believe that the rural wireless carrier
- 23 should be able to charge extra for the mobile device.
- 24 Not the service; the incremental cost that is
- 25 incurred to buy that mobile device.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 2 So we take a vote. Would the vote be on the
- 3 amendment less those three lines, or is the vote --
- 4 MR. WILLIAMS: The vote is to amend the
- 5 motion.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Okay. A vote to amend the
- 7 motion.
- 8 MR. WILLIAMS: But before we take that vote
- 9 --
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- MR. WILLIAMS: -- I have one more comment,
- 12 which is I guess what I'm suggesting here is that this
- 13 report remain silent on that issue.
- 14 MALE VOICE: That's what I was saying.
- 15 MR. WILLIAMS: Which that's why I want to
- 16 delete the language.
- 17 It is my understanding, and staff can
- 18 correct me, that you are due to report to Congress by
- 19 the end of this month. Is that correct?
- MR. MORAN: By the 12th, right?
- 21 MS. FOWLKES: What the process is is that
- 22 the committee has to develop and submit
- 23 recommendations to the Commission by October 12.
- 24 MR. WILLIAMS: Right. And then the
- 25 Commission has to report.

- 1 MS. FOWLKES: No. It's not a report.
- 2 MR. WILLIAMS: Oh, you don't?
- 3 MS. FOWLKES: It's a rulemaking. That's
- 4 what I was saying earlier.
- 5 Once the committee submits its
- 6 recommendations to the Commission, the Commission must
- 7 commence and complete within 180 days after receiving
- 8 those recommendations a rulemaking to adopt technical
- 9 rules, so the purpose of the committee and the
- 10 recommendations are to give a basis by which the
- 11 Commission would then go forth and adopt rules that
- 12 address technical standards.
- So it's not a report to Congress. It's
- 14 basically the first step in trying to at the end game
- 15 have rules that govern this area.
- MR. WILLIAMS: Okay.
- 17 MR. MORAN: All right. Let's take the vote.
- 18 So the proposal is to strike Lines 10 through 12 from
- 19 this proposed amendment.
- 20 How about all those voting that they want
- 21 those lines stricken at the table here?
- 22 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 23 MR. MORAN: Have we got the count? We've
- 24 got it? Okay.
- 25 How about those at the table, those who do

- 1 not want to strike those three lines?
- 2 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, did you get the
- 4 vote?
- 5 MS. GILGENBACH: I had a hard time with the
- 6 "nos."
- 7 MALE VOICE: Yes. Raise your hands.
- 8 MR. MORAN: This is on the second vote, the
- 9 vote not to strike.
- 10 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 11 MR. MORAN: Do you have it? Okay.
- 12 How about abstain?
- (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 14 MR. MORAN: The FCC abstains. Okay.
- 15 Let's vote on the bridge.
- 16 FEMALE VOICE: Can you clarify for those on
- 17 the bridge how the vote just went in the room?
- 18 MR. MORAN: If they were at the table they
- 19 would see how the vote went in the room. Sue, what
- 20 was the vote that you have at the table?
- MS. GILGENBACH: For yeas, 12. For noes,
- 22 15.
- 23 MR. MORAN: Twelve yeas, 15 nays and two
- 24 abstained.
- MS. GILGENBACH: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Okay. We'll go to the bridge.
- 2 The vote is yea means you want to strike those three
- 3 lines from the AT&T amendment.
- 4 Mr. Ban?
- 5 MR. BAN: Abstain.
- 6 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry?
- 7 MR. BAN: Abstain.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Abstain. Okay.
- 9 Marcia Brooks?
- 10 MS. BROOKS: Abstain.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Marion Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yea.
- MR. MORAN: Yea.
- 14 Thomas Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Nay.
- MR. MORAN: I'm sorry?
- 17 MR. LYON: No.
- MR. MORAN: No.
- 19 Kevin McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Art Prest?
- MR. PREST: No.
- MR. MORAN: Pat Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: I'll abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Paul Wilcock?

- 1 MR. WILCOCK: No.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Dale Gehman?
- 3 MR. GEHMAN: Abstain.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Okay. We're making a tally
- 5 here. Sue, what do we have?
- 6 MS. GILGENBACH: As of present we have 16
- 7 yeses, we have 18 noes, and we have seven abstained.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Seven abstained. Our rule is
- 9 you have to have a majority of the people at the
- 10 meeting for the motion to pass, so the motion did not
- 11 pass.
- 12 Let's take a vote on this amendment.
- 13 MS. ARNOLD: Could I offer another
- 14 amendment, please?
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Arnold, what do you have?
- MS. ARNOLD: I'd like on the first page to
- 17 strike Lines 33, 34 and 35.
- 18 I don't see why we as a committee should be
- 19 saying what licensees are bound by or not bound by.
- 20 Is there some other purpose to this, Brian, that I'm
- 21 not aware of?
- MR. MORAN: Brian, would you care to
- 23 respond?
- MR. DALY: Yes. Brian Daly. I think this
- 25 goes back to what Tony mentioned earlier that there

- 1 will be uses of the technology beyond which is
- 2 specified under the WARN Act. For those uses we
- 3 aren't bound by the specific section of the WARN Act
- 4 referenced.
- 5 MS. ARNOLD: What uses are you talking
- 6 about?
- 7 MR. DALY: Potential commercial uses for the
- 8 technologies that are being deployed.
- 9 MR. ADAMS: Robert Adams of Global Security.
- 10 So we just voted and the amendment passed to incur
- 11 additional costs for handsets and what other devices,
- 12 a recommendation to the FCC, but in the same language
- 13 you're saying somebody's deployment technology is
- 14 going to have some commercial aspects, which is going
- 15 to make money.
- 16 Again, I'm very disappointed at the vote a
- 17 while ago because I think that's what we're trying to
- 18 do here is to protect the public with the least cost
- 19 necessary.
- 20 Again, thank you, Ann, for bringing that up
- 21 to the Commission.
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- MR. JONES: Thank you. Gary Jones. I
- 24 believe this text is a critical part of an attempt to
- 25 make very clear what is offered to the public as a

- 1 service. Now, what I think we've tried to do here is
- 2 clear up what is and what is not part of the
- 3 commercial mobile alert service.
- 4 Now, that clarity in my mind helps the
- 5 carriers understand what they're supposed to deliver,
- 6 and it also makes clear that there may be uses of the
- 7 technology that we develop to provide that service
- 8 that are outside the definition of the commercial
- 9 mobile emergency alert and that it's not encumbered by
- 10 the rules of the WARN Act.
- 11 Now, I think that clarification is very
- 12 necessary for the carriers and aids in their
- 13 understanding and their comfort level to be able to
- 14 opt into the service.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 16 Any further discussion on Ms. Arnold's
- 17 amendment? Yes?
- 18 MR. AUBRY: I have one question. As
- 19 technology in the mobile devices advances we can
- 20 expect to see additional function being added. Some
- 21 of this function may apply to the WARN Act. Some of
- 22 this function may ride on the WARN Act to provide
- 23 additional attractive commercial services.
- How does the consuming public know when
- 25 they're getting something that's part of the WARN Act

- 1 or they're just paying for additional function that
- 2 they may or may not need?
- 3 MR. MORAN: Any discussion on the bridge?
- 4 (No response.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Do we have a second? I assume
- 6 yours is a second to Ann's proposed amendment?
- 7 MR. ADAMS: I'd really like comments from
- 8 Brian to clarify again this language.
- 9 We made comments. I don't know if we're
- 10 ready to pass a motion yet. Again, the commercial
- 11 application subsidizing alert and warning features of
- 12 the CMAS, and again we could always handle that I'm
- 13 sure at a future date with the FCC if it gets out of
- 14 hand or whatever, but that's the only comments I had.
- I don't know whether we strike this from the
- 16 amendment or not because I think we're going to be
- 17 here all day trying to strike these one or two liners.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Mr. Melone?
- 19 MR. MELONE: This is Tony Melone. If I
- 20 could respond to that comment? Again, I believe the
- 21 intent of the language is simply to state that there
- 22 will be no charges to customers for delivering
- 23 emergency alerts.
- However, the enablers for emergency alerts
- 25 are also enablers for lots of other commercial

- 1 products, and all this is is a statement for clarity
- 2 to make sure that if a new device is required for a
- 3 customer, which it's likely to be with this technology
- 4 to receive commercial mobile service alerts, is it the
- 5 requirement of the carriers to provide that new device
- 6 to a customer free of charge?
- 7 I would submit to you it's important for
- 8 that clarity to be in the recommendation, to be in the
- 9 rules before a carrier elects to participate, because
- 10 if it's ambiguous and a carrier may incur charges to
- 11 replace handsets for every single customer the net
- 12 result of that will be carriers will opt out of this,
- 13 and, to Chris' point, we will have failed.
- 14 So this is all about clarity. I think it's
- 15 completely consistent with everybody's view around
- 16 this table of how this should work, and I think we're
- 17 getting ourselves hung up, you know, that we're trying
- 18 to gain the system here. This is for clarity so that
- 19 we can opt in.
- I don't know how more clear to state my view
- 21 on this. We need to be very clear. We are going to
- 22 provide emergency alerts to customers at no charge for
- 23 delivering those emergency alerts.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 25 MR. MELONE: An analogy to this would be

- 1 rules around E911 location accuracy. We offer
- 2 commercial location based services. We are not bound
- 3 to the accuracy requirements that are defined in E911.
- 4 It's the same kind of analogy. We don't
- 5 want to be bound by those types of rules for
- 6 commercial services that may utilize the technology.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 8 MR. MELONE: Thank you.
- 9 MR. ADAMS: Tony, Robert Adams again. I
- 10 totally agree with you and also CTIA. I'm only going
- 11 on the record just saying that Congress and the FCC
- 12 should take that into consideration because I'm not
- 13 for replacing every handset in 30 days, especially if
- 14 in a year or two, according to CTIA, they're replaced
- 15 anyway by attrition.
- I agree that it should be technology that
- 17 can come in at a slower pace to be implemented where
- 18 there's no cost to the handset because again some of
- 19 us get a new one every 30 days, and I'm only going by
- 20 figures by CTIA, but I know in a couple of years.
- 21 According to what I read, people get a new handset
- 22 within 18 months or something like that.
- 23 So I do agree with you. It shouldn't be a
- 24 drop dead date like digital television or something
- 25 where everybody has to go get a new handset, but I do

- 1 think the comment they're making here today is none of
- 2 us know what these new technologies are. Some of them
- 3 cost a lot of money to implement. We're just trying
- 4 to follow the order of the WARN Act.
- 5 Again, it's only right. There are not
- 6 gotchas in here where we have to do something. I'm
- 7 more for voluntary than anything, so that's the only
- 8 comment I have again to Brian trying to protect the
- 9 language of the carriers not to be forced to do
- 10 something that costs hundreds of millions of dollars,
- 11 but something that makes sense to the general public.
- 12 Again, my only comment is taking these
- 13 things out of these amendments and adding them in, I
- 14 think the spirit is all the same thing. We need to
- 15 protect the infrastructure and the general public, and
- 16 I just figured we could handle it some other kind of
- 17 way, but I guess we'll just go through line by line.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second on
- 19 Ann Arnold's proposed deleting of Lines 33 through 35?
- MR. AUBRY: Second.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's take a vote on
- 22 that. At the table here, who votes to strike Lines 33
- 23 through 35?
- 24 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 25 MR. MORAN: Do you have the count? Okay.

- 1 Who votes to keep Lines 33 through 35; to
- 2 not strike Lines 33 through 35?
- 3 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 4 MR. MORAN: Do you have it? Okay.
- 5 Any abstains?
- 6 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 7 MR. MORAN: The FCC abstains. Okay.
- 8 We'll go to the bridge. The issue is do we
- 9 strike Lines 33 through 35 on this particular
- 10 amendment. I'll call your name. Tell me if you want
- 11 to strike or no strike.
- 12 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: No.
- MR. MORAN: Marcia Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Abstain.
- 17 Marion Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Is that strike?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Do not strike.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: No.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?

- 1 MR. PREST: No.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 3 MR. ROBERTS: Can I ask a question? Is this
- 4 amendment offered by Ann Arnold?
- 5 MR. MORAN: Yes, it is.
- 6 MR. ROBERTS: Then I vote yes.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 8 MR. WILCOCK: No.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Yes. Okay.
- 12 Sue, what do you have on that?
- MS. GILGENBACH: Could Ms. Dunn-Tutor repeat
- 14 hers?
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor? Marion, could
- 16 you repeat your vote?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Yes.
- 19 MS. GILGENBACH: For yeses I have 10, and
- 20 for noes I have 26 and abstain, three.
- 21 FEMALE VOICE: Could you repeat that,
- 22 please, with the microphone?
- 23 MS. GILGENBACH: I apologize. For yeses I
- 24 have 10, no I have 26, and abstain I have three.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. It does not pass.

- 1 I would like to bring the original amendment
- 2 up for a vote.
- 3 MALE VOICE: So moved.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 5 MR. WEBB: Mr. Chairman?
- 6 MR. MORAN: Yes?
- 7 MR. WEBB: I would like to propose that we
- 8 add the words in Line 39 that the government portion
- 9 of the commercial mobile alerting service will not be
- 10 made available for commercial use.
- MR. MORAN: Do you have specific language?
- 12 MR. WEBB: That exact sentence at the end of
- 13 Line 39. The government portion of the commercial
- 14 mobile alerting service will not be made available for
- 15 commercial use.
- MR. MORAN: The government portion --
- 17 MR. WEBB: Of the commercial mobile alerting
- 18 service will not be made available for commercial use.
- 19 That strictly deals with from the alert origination
- 20 up to the C interface for clarity.
- 21 MR. MORAN: And you wanted that last phrase
- 22 in there too?
- 23 MR. WEBB: No, sir. The last phrase was for
- 24 clarity for the group.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Yes, Mr. Czarnecki?

- 1 MR. CZARNECKI: Mr. Chairman, likewise the
- 2 third paragraph. It should be made clear that
- 3 pertains to the CMSP network and not the government
- 4 alerting network or Reference Point A or C.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Is this a different amendment
- 6 that you're trying to offer?
- 7 MR. CZARNECKI: I'm sorry. Yes, it is.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Well, let's deal with Mr. Webb's
- 9 amendment.
- Dave, you propose to add the sentence, "The
- 11 government portion of the CMAS will not be made
- 12 available for commercial use," at the end of Line 39?
- MR. WEBB: Yes, sir.
- 14 MR. MORAN: Is that correct?
- MR. WEBB: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Any discussion on that issue?
- 17 (No response.)
- 18 MR. MORAN: None here. How about on the
- 19 bridge?
- 20 MS. ROOKS: This is Marcia Brooks. May I
- 21 ask a question?
- MR. MORAN: Yes.
- 23 MS. ROOKS: I wanted to clarify whether that
- 24 has any relation to the language in the
- 25 recommendations about making the gateway available to

- 1 third party vendors who, for instance, provide sign
- 2 language interpretation.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Anyone on her question? Dave?
- 4 MR. WEBB: Mr. Chairman, it's Dave Webb with
- 5 FEMA.
- I do believe that that is in the realm of
- 7 alerting, and to the best of my knowledge, and I can't
- 8 predict the future, but at this point I do not know
- 9 the third party charging a disabled individual for the
- 10 cost of receiving that alert through their service,
- 11 and it is not intended in any way to mean that we
- 12 cannot distribute alerts to a distribution system that
- 13 would affect the disabled or the non-English speaking
- 14 communities.
- 15 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any other questions?
- 16 MR. WILCOCK: This is Paul Wilcock. Could
- 17 we have the additional clarification provided by the
- 18 proposal included in that notation, so the reference
- 19 points to the network reference points?
- 20 MR. MORAN: David?
- MR. WEBB: I have no objection to that if
- 22 you would like me to include specific government
- 23 network from Reference Point A to Reference Point C
- 24 would not be available for commercial use.
- 25 MR. WILCOCK: I just think it clarifies the

- 1 government portion a little more defined, you know.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Okay. David, do you agree with
- 3 that?
- 4 MR. WEBB: I can agree, yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second on
- 6 that proposal or that proposed amendment?
- 7 MALE VOICE: Second.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Let's have a vote. I'm sorry?
- 9 MS. ESTEFANIA: Could you read the final
- 10 text one more time?
- 11 MR. MORAN: David? I've got the sentence,
- 12 but I don't have your clarification.
- MR. WEBB: Read the sentence, please.
- 14 MR. MORAN: The government portion of the
- 15 CMAS will not be made available for commercial use.
- MR. WEBB: And the government portion is
- 17 described as from Reference Point A to Reference Point
- 18 C. That was the --
- 19 MR. MORAN: Okay. The government portion
- 20 that is from Point A to C or whatever, Reference Point
- 21 A to C, of the CMAS will not be made available for
- 22 commercial use.
- MR. WEBB: Yes, sir.
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: And may we ask Mr. Daly to
- 25 speak to that amendment, please?

- 1 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry? Well, you may ask
- 2 Mr. Daly.
- 3 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Mr. Daly, would you kindly
- 4 speak to that amendment?
- 5 MR. DALY: Yes. This is Brian Daly. The
- 6 text that is proposed in the amendment really was
- 7 focusing in on the commercial mobile service provider
- 8 network, so I think what Mr. Webb has proposed is
- 9 entirely in line with the intent.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 11 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Thank you, Mr. Daly.
- 12 Marion Tutor asking.
- 13 MR. MORAN: Thank you. Anything else?
- 14 (No response.)
- 15 MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's take it for a vote
- 16 at the table here.
- 17 The proposal is to add the sentence: The
- 18 government portion from Reference Point A to C of the
- 19 CMAS will not be made available for commercial use. I
- 20 can try that again.
- 21 Let's have a vote. A vote of yes is you
- 22 would propose that new language be added. So at the
- 23 table here?
- 24 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: You've got it? Okay.

- Now, who votes no to that proposal?
- 2 (No response.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Any abstentions?
- 4 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: One abstention.
- 6 Okay. Now I'll go to the bridge. Sue, what
- 7 was the count on the yeas?
- 8 MS. GILGENBACH: The yeas were 29.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Twenty-nine yeas, no noes and
- 10 two abstentions. FCC abstained also.
- MS. GILGENBACH: Okay.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. So we'll go to the
- 13 bridge, and the question is do we put this language in
- 14 the amendment?
- 15 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?

- 1 MR. PREST: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 3 MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 5 MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- 7 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 9 MR. RUTKOWSKI: This is Tony Rutkowski. I
- 10 vote yes also.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Rutkowski is here,
- 12 and he votes yes also. Thank you.
- Okay. I don't know the final tally, but
- 14 that amendment to the amendment did carry and so are
- 15 we ready to vote the entire amendment?
- 16 Mr. Czarnecki?
- 17 MR. CZARNECKI: I'm sorry, Mr. Chairman.
- 18 The first page, Line 27. If I could suggest an
- 19 amendment that we add the line that the following
- 20 recommendations, the following additions, pertain only
- 21 to the commercial mobile service providers network?
- That would cover in my mind everything else
- 23 that's being added here; that it's not for the
- 24 government network. These recommendations are just
- 25 for the commercial mobile providers' own network.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Did the amendment we just --
- 2 MR. CZARNECKI: That covers one specific
- 3 line on the use of technologies, but it doesn't cover
- 4 Lines 1 through 5, specifically 4 and 5, on the second
- 5 page. It doesn't. That's the principal issue there.
- 6 MR. PREST: Can I ask what your specific
- 7 issue with that is? It basically says a single vendor
- 8 should not -- we shouldn't have to have a single
- 9 vendor.
- 10 MR. CZARNECKI: Within a cellular provider's
- 11 network?
- 12 MR. PREST: It says a commercial mobile
- 13 service provider shall not be bound to use any
- 14 specific vendor, technology, software implementation,
- 15 client device or third party agent.
- MR. CZARNECKI: Within its own network.
- 17 MR. PREST: I don't see what the problem
- 18 with that is.
- 19 MR. DALY: Would the proposed amendment then
- 20 possibly be on Line 3: A commercial mobile service
- 21 provider's network shall not be bound to use any, and
- 22 just add the word network?
- MR. CZARNECKI: Yes.
- MR. DALY: Would that cover it?
- MR. CZARNECKI: Yes.

- 1 FEMALE VOICE: That amendment was at what
- 2 line?
- MR. DALY: Line 3 of the second page. A
- 4 commercial mobile service provider's network shall not
- 5 be bound to use any specific --
- 6 MR. MORAN: Mr. Czarnecki, would that
- 7 satisfy you?
- 8 MR. CZARNECKI: Yes, absolutely. I'll
- 9 second that.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Okay. The proposal, by the way,
- 11 is on Line 3, the second page, the first full
- 12 sentence. A commercial mobile service provider --
- 13 where it now says "provider shall" it would now say
- 14 "provider's network shall." Is that correct?
- MR. CZARNECKI: Correct.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. So proposed to add
- 17 apostrophe S and network after provider on the third
- 18 line of the second page.
- 19 We have a second. Do we have any more
- 20 discussion on that one?
- 21 (No response.)
- 22 MR. MORAN: Any discussion on the bridge?
- 23 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's take a vote at the
- 25 table.

- 1 All who vote to put that apostrophe S
- 2 network on Line 3 of the second page of the amendment
- 3 vote yes. Raise your hands.
- 4 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Do we have that count? Okay.
- 6 All that vote no, raise your hand.
- 7 (No response.)
- 8 MR. MORAN: All who abstain, raise their
- 9 hand.
- 10 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 11 MR. MORAN: One abstain, FCC.
- 12 We'll go to the bridge. The count was, Sue,
- 13 quickly?
- MS. GILGENBACH: Thirty yes, one abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Thirty yes, one abstain.
- We'll go to the bridge. Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 2 MR. PREST: Yes.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 4 MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- 6 MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 8 MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- 10 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. We've got the count.
- 12 That amendment to the amendment passed.
- 13 Any other amendments?
- 14 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Any more amendments on the
- 16 bridge?
- MR. ADAMS: I have an amendment.
- 18 MR. PREST: I move that we accept the text
- 19 as amended and vote on it.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Adams?
- 21 MR. ADAMS: Robert Adams. On Section 3.2,
- 22 General CMAS Requirements --
- FEMALE VOICE: That's not an amendment to
- 24 this amendment, is it?
- MR. ADAMS: That amendment? No, it's not to

- 1 that amendment. I'm sorry. I apologize.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 3 MR. ADAMS: It's not an amendment to that
- 4 amendment. Excuse me, Mr. Daly.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Apology accepted on that one.
- 6 Okay. Let's go to a vote on the entire
- 7 amendment, which would now include adding apostrophe S
- 8 and the word network on the second page and on the
- 9 first page the sentence, "The government portion from
- 10 Reference Point A to C of the CMAS will not be made
- 11 available for commercial use."
- So we're going to take a vote on the entire
- 13 amendment. Those of you at the table, do you vote to
- 14 accept this amendment? Raise your hand if you do.
- 15 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. We have that count.
- 17 Thank you.
- 18 All those who say no to the amendment?
- 19 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Thank you. We have that count.
- 21 Abstentions?
- 22 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 23 MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, can you give me a
- 24 count on that real quickly before we go to the bridge?
- 25 MS. GILGENBACH: Twenty-three yes, three no,

- 1 three abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. We'll go to the bridge.
- 3 Mr. Ban?
- 4 MR. BAN: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- 6 MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- 8 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- 12 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Nothing from Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: I'm sorry.
- MR. McGINNIS: McGinnis is yes.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 18 Mr. Prest?
- MR. PREST: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- 2 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Thank you. We will get the
- 4 final tally, but that amendment passed with those two
- 5 changes.
- 6 Okay. That only took three minutes. We're
- 7 right on track.
- 8 Okay. We've got another amendment from this
- 9 troublemaker, Mr. Daly.
- 10 MR. DALY: It's troublemaker now? Okay
- 11 Hopefully this one won't have as much discussion.
- 12 In Section 5.3.2 there is a Table 5.1 which
- 13 has the generation of commercial mobile alert messages
- 14 from the CAP fields. There were some agreements on
- 15 the ordering of those fields.
- The table is not updated to reflect that
- 17 ordering, and this proposed amendment changes the
- 18 ordering to put what is happening first, what area is
- 19 affected with the text string in this area second, and
- 20 then the other fields had not changed.
- 21 Also, there was an omission in the event
- 22 code. There is one event code warning, a radiological
- 23 hazard warning that did not appear in the table and we
- 24 believe should be added.
- 25 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second?

- 1 MALE VOICE: Second.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have a second. Any
- 3 discussion?
- 4 MR. WILLIAMS: I just have a question.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Williams?
- 6 MR. WILLIAMS: So for all areas the text
- 7 string, no matter what the affected area field is and
- 8 the CAP message, the text string will always say in
- 9 this area?
- 10 MR. DALY: I'll defer to Mr. Jones.
- 11 MR. WILLIAMS: I see Art nodding his head.
- 12 MR. MORAN: Mr. Jones?
- 13 MR. JONES: Thank you. Gary Jones.
- 14 Understand that this text, this whole section defines
- 15 the text strings for values in the CAP field that
- 16 would be used in an automatically generated message,
- 17 so in that automatic string there was no place where
- 18 we could put an actual geographic area or a
- 19 description of a geographic area.
- That's the reason that we came up with this
- 21 all-inclusive text that said in this area, so no
- 22 matter what the warning would be, as long as the
- 23 warning was geotargeted to a specific area then the
- 24 automatically generated text would say this alert in
- 25 this area. So if you received the alert it was

- 1 indicating that where you were standing, that's where
- 2 the alert area was affected.
- Now, it's envisioned that in free text
- 4 messages where the message initiator can generate his
- 5 own text for the message then he would describe what
- 6 the area would be, but in the canned message, which is
- 7 what this section would be used for, it was felt since
- 8 we couldn't describe in free text the area that this
- 9 was the best alternative.
- 10 Thank you.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Botterell?
- 12 MR. BOTTERELL: Art Botterell. Yes. This
- 13 was a hard won compromise dealing with the constraint
- 14 of the 90 character text message profile and the
- 15 length of some American place names.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Any other discussion on
- 17 this at the table?
- 18 (No response.)
- 19 MR. MORAN: Any discussion on the bridge on
- 20 this amendment?
- 21 (No response.)
- 22 MR. MORAN: Okay. Hearing none, let's go to
- 23 a vote.
- MR. WILLIAMS: I just have one question.
- 25 There's kind of an orphan page here that was attached

- 1 that says after end proposed text. What is that?
- I noticed it when I printed those out. Is
- 3 that just somehow out of order, or is that part of
- 4 this amendment? What is that? It says end of
- 5 proposed text, and then there's this on the back.
- 6 MR. MORAN: The table that says What Area Is
- 7 Affected, it's got CAP Field Value, Text Transcript,
- 8 Polygon Circle, Geocode.
- 9 Yes, Mr. Daly?
- 10 MR. WILLIAMS: That's meant to be part of
- 11 the amendment, correct?
- MR. DALY: Actually that's the deleted
- 13 section. That's the original text that was in the
- 14 document.
- MR. WILLIAMS: Okay. I see.
- MR. DALY: That's been replaced.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay. That clarifies it?
- MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's go to a vote. All
- 20 of those who vote for the amendment raise your hand.
- 21 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. We have that count.
- 23 All against the amendment, raise your hand.
- 24 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: All abstain?

- 1 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 2 MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, can you give the
- 3 bridge the count?
- 4 MS. GILGENBACH: Thirty yes, no noes, one
- 5 abstain.
- 6 MR. RUTKOWSKI: This is Tony Rutkowski. I
- 7 had to call back in. I vote yes.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay. Well, you're out of
- 9 order, but we'll take your vote.
- 10 Okay. We'll go down the rest of the people
- 11 on the bridge.
- 12 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- MR. PREST: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 2 MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- 4 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have the vote. That
- 6 amendment passed.
- 7 Mr. Daly, we're through with your
- 8 amendments.
- 9 MR. DALY: Thank you.
- 10 MR. MORAN: And they all passed in one form
- 11 or another.
- 12 Next on my list is, Mr. Pitts, I have an
- 13 amendment from you.
- 14 MR. PITTS: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman. It
- 15 should be fairly straightforward. This one is only
- 16 essentially five letters. It's adding the word avoid
- 17 in the fields from which we would create the automatic
- 18 computer generated messages.
- 19 As Art eluded to, we had endless discussions
- 20 about concerns about the limitations and character
- 21 length of text messages, but we all tried to live with
- 22 it and tried to get these messages to fit within that
- 23 profile.
- There was also concern over some messages
- 25 being computer generated where others were free text,

- 1 free form text. The Presidential alerts will be free
- 2 form text. The amber alerts will be free form text,
- 3 although I haven't really seen examples of either one
- 4 of them, but initially at least as a default all other
- 5 messages would be computer generated from the existing
- 6 CAP fields.
- 7 I think that there is a deficiency in the
- 8 response types to fill in the message from the fields
- 9 that are available to us. The current fields are
- 10 Shelter, Evacuate, Prepare, Execute or Monitor. There
- 11 is another one called Assess, but we've decided not to
- 12 include that.
- 13 My experience in some of the states with
- 14 evacuation, actually in some states the governor
- 15 doesn't even have the authority to do that so there's
- 16 some question about who would be able to do evacuate.
- 17 The problem though that I think that we
- 18 found was if there is an area that you want people to
- 19 stay away from, to avoid, that we needed to include
- 20 that in the message. Again, this is not free form
- 21 text. This is computer generated so that a message
- 22 may say radiological hazard warning in your area.
- 23 Avoid. Or a nuclear power plant warning in your area.
- 24 Avoid.
- 25 We had had some discussion earlier about

- 1 whether or not the text string should say avoid area,
- 2 avoid incidence or avoid hazard. Personally I like
- 3 avoid hazard, but I was trying to keep the number of
- 4 characters down to a minimum, and I was concerned
- 5 about adding area in since in these computer generated
- 6 text messages we already say in this area, and I did
- 7 not want to say then avoid area.
- 8 So the purpose of the amendment is to
- 9 highlight the need to add an additional value,
- 10 particularly in light of the all hazard warnings that
- 11 I anticipate coming, the word avoid, and to include
- 12 that in the computer generated text string.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you. Do we have a second
- 14 on that?
- 15 MALE VOICE: Second.
- MR. MORAN: Second? Okay.
- 17 Any discussion on Mr. Pitts' proposed
- 18 amendment? Yes, Dave?
- 19 MR. WEBB: Yes, sir, Mr. Chairman. I do
- 20 believe, and I will have to defer to Mr. Botterell on
- 21 this for the exact thing, but these values are all
- 22 fields that are established within the CAP standard.
- 23 FEMALE VOICE: Yes.
- MR. WEBB: And by doing this amendment we
- 25 would in effect be modifying an OASIS standard that is

- 1 published for the whole world to use, and I'm not sure
- 2 that this -- while I agree that avoid is a useful
- 3 thing to have, I'm not sure we can modify an
- 4 international standard in this body.
- 5 MR. PITTS: Mr. Chairman, Billy Pitts. If I
- 6 might address that? I'd like to hear from Art.
- 7 I understand, and this is no way trying to
- 8 change the OASIS standard. This is an effort by us as
- 9 the committee advising the FCC that something needs to
- 10 be done here, that we need to be a little more
- 11 explicit in our responses, and my hope would be that
- 12 both the OASIS CAP Standards Setting Group would look
- 13 at this as well as the FCC, but I think as a
- 14 recommendation we would be deficient in not pointing
- 15 out the need here.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 17 Any other comments? Discussion?
- 18 MR. PREST: Yes. This is Art Prest. I
- 19 totally agree with what Billy just said.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any other discussion on
- 21 the bridge?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: Mr. Chairman, Tony
- 23 Rutkowski.
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: I was actually the acting

- 1 rapporteur for what is actually the international
- 2 standard, which is the IQT version of CAP, and I tend
- 3 to agree with the amendment, but I would have one
- 4 admonition that's generally applicable to all of these
- 5 is that in the continuing international process for
- 6 exchanging information on these fields in going
- 7 forward that this information be shared with other
- 8 administrations. There's a standard mechanism for
- 9 doing that.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 11 Any other discussion?
- MR. BOTTERELL: Mr. Chairman?
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- 14 MR. BOTTERELL: Art Botterell. In Section
- 15 5.3.2 of the draft recommendation there is a provision
- 16 for the alert gateway adding event codes over and
- 17 above those specified either in the CAP or in the
- 18 older same event coding scheme.
- 19 I think it was on this principle that the
- 20 attempt was being made to go ahead and add what I
- 21 think everyone agrees is a needed field. The small
- 22 difficulty that arises is that here we are actually
- 23 proposing an addition to the response type enumeration
- 24 rather than the event code, and we have not really
- 25 addressed that prior.

- I'd like to offer what I hope will be
- 2 accepted as a friendly amendment in two parts. The
- 3 first would be that the text string associated with
- 4 this new response type value of avoid would be avoid
- 5 hazard, and this is really just for clarity when you
- 6 construct the whole string. We don't want to say
- 7 avoid area because then everybody who gets the message
- 8 in this area thinks it applies to them. That's the
- 9 best wording we could come up with.
- 10 The second bit is that we add -- I quess
- 11 there's actually three bits. The second bit would be
- 12 that we add a footnote acknowledging that this
- 13 particular value is not currently supported in the CAP
- 14 specification, but that it will be added for CMAS
- 15 purposes until such time as OASIS can rule on that as
- 16 a change since we don't really have a mechanism in the
- 17 response field.
- 18 And then the third thing would just be to
- 19 note, and this is more of a process note. I think
- 20 since we already have just adopted an updated
- 21 tabulation provided by Brian that this would really
- 22 just be a one line change in the table as most
- 23 recently amended, the table for response type, not an
- 24 amendment of that entire table, so that's a little
- 25 complicated, but we can parse it.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Jones?
- 2 MR. JONES: Thank you. Gary Jones. I'd
- 3 like to support the change that Art is proposing in
- 4 the text string in changing it from avoid to avoid
- 5 hazard.
- 6 The committee laid out a structure for the
- 7 canned message and the order of the elements of the
- 8 message. Having the words avoid hazard seems to fit
- 9 better in the ordering of the message so that it would
- 10 have the event, the recommended action -- excuse me.
- 11 The event and then the words in this area and then the
- 12 recommended action.
- For instance, it might say a HAZMAT warning
- 14 in this area. Avoid hazard. The English seems to
- 15 flow a little bit better.
- 16 Thank you.
- 17 MR. BOTTERELL: If I may add just one final
- 18 aside for the benefit of Mr. Rutkowski?
- 19 Tony, I think we'll have to discuss off-line
- 20 whether this would be something that OASIS should take
- 21 first and then take to ITU or exactly how that
- 22 harmonization would occur.
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: I agree, but I think the
- 24 point is too this is for global interoperability
- 25 purposes. We need to exchange these field values to

- 1 allow global interoperability.
- 2 MR. BOTTERELL: Exactly. So I guess I would
- 3 ask Mr. Pitts if he would accept that as a friendly
- 4 amendment.
- 5 MR. PITTS: Yes, sir. I think they're very
- 6 constructive and worthwhile, and I would accept it.
- 7 FEMALE VOICE: Thank you.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Mr. Botterell, your first of
- 9 your three suggestions is very clear. The second one
- 10 I'm not sure I caught it all and exactly what you do.
- 11 MR. BOTTERELL: Yes. Let me see if I can
- 12 dictate it. This would be a footnote or an asterisk
- 13 or a note of some sort, whatever editorially works,
- 14 that would say: This value is recommended for CMAS
- 15 use only pending action by the responsible standards
- 16 body.
- 17 MR. WILLIAMS: Modification of CAP?
- 18 MR. BOTTERELL: Yes. Yes. The pending
- 19 modification of CAP. I don't want to posit that
- 20 they're going to do it, even though I'm fairly
- 21 confident they will.
- 22 MR. MORAN: Let me make sure I got your
- 23 whole sentence there.
- MR. BOTTERELL: Yes.
- 25 MR. MORAN: This value is recommended for

- 1 CMAS use only pending action --
- 2 MR. WILLIAMS: Modification of the CAP
- 3 value.
- 4 MR. BOTTERELL: Pending inclusion into the
- 5 CAP standard. How is that?
- 6 MR. MORAN: Pending inclusion into the CAP
- 7 standard?
- 8 MR. BOTTERELL: Yes. Period.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Okay. And your third
- 10 suggestion?
- MR. BOTTERELL: Was really just that the
- 12 scope of this is really just adding one line to one
- 13 section in the table.
- 14 It's not a replacement of the entire table
- 15 because we just amended the order of the table before
- 16 and I don't want to blow that up, so that's more an
- 17 editorial note than an amendment really.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second on
- 19 Mr. Botterell's proposed --
- MALE VOICE: Second.
- 21 MR. BOTTERELL: I think it's been accepted
- 22 as a friendly amendment, so do we have to --
- 23 MR. MORAN: Okay. So it's been accepted.
- 24 Okay.
- 25 Any more discussion on this proposed

- 1 amendment?
- 2 MR. WEBB: Mr. Chairman, I would like to say
- 3 while we have just added this and it's a good thing, I
- 4 don't think the alert originator software industry
- 5 will build to this immediately until -- I mean, this
- 6 is something that would be likely included in the
- 7 gateway function, but as far as an industry building
- 8 to a standard it's not yet a standard, so it may not
- 9 come out in originator software and be available for
- 10 their use.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 12 MR. BOTTERELL: I think that's right. The
- 13 good news is that it's entirely possible that OASIS
- 14 could deal with this in the time it's going to take
- 15 the FCC to deal with its part of the rulemaking, but
- 16 that's not a certainty by any means.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any further discussion
- 18 here in the room on this issue?
- 19 (No response.)
- 20 MR. MORAN: Any further discussion on the
- 21 bridge?
- 22 (No response.)
- 23 MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's vote on this. So
- 24 we're voting on the amendment with the friendly
- 25 amendment change to the amendment, so it's the

- 1 amendment as presented by Mr. Pitts.
- 2 On the second page under What Action Should
- 3 Be Taken under Text Stream next to avoid it will say
- 4 "avoid hazard" on the text stream, and we would put a
- 5 footnote somewhere that says: This value is
- 6 recommended for CMAS use only pending inclusion into
- 7 the CAP standard.
- 8 Okay. Let's have a vote here in the room.
- 9 All who favor this amendment, raise your hand.
- 10 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: We have that. Thank you.
- 12 All who are opposed, raise your hand.
- 13 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Any abstentions?
- 15 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, what is the count
- 17 for the bridge?
- 18 MS. GILGENBACH: Thirty yes, zero no, one
- 19 abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you. Okay. We'll go to
- 21 the bridge here.
- 22 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- 4 MR. LYON: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- 6 MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 8 MR. PREST: Yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay. That amendment passes.
- 18 Okay. Mr. Adams, you have a proposed
- 19 amendment?
- 20 MR. ADAMS: Thank you, sir. I want to thank
- 21 the Commission for all the hard work and the committee
- 22 members for the many months that they've put into
- 23 this. We're happy to be here with you.
- Just a little background on the amendment.
- 25 While we know this is not specific to our cellular

- 1 network or specific technologies, we wanted the
- 2 committee to be aware since it's voluntary on some of
- 3 these issues, a little background why we're proposing
- 4 the amendment.
- 5 The FM broadcasters have been providing
- 6 commercial mobile alerts since inception of their
- 7 licenses nationwide using a mature wireless network
- 8 with over \$1 trillion of already installed
- 9 infrastructure free of charge to the public.
- 10 FM is now, due to the current analog and
- 11 digital technology advances, not only to provide audio
- 12 alerts, but secure addressable geotarget alerts using
- 13 off-the-shelf FM radio chips, most of which are in
- 14 millions of devices today, including cell phones.
- Due to the nature of the FM network, which
- 16 is a switchless, not connected to phone lines or
- 17 internet and not daisy chained, can disseminate these
- 18 messages to one or 100 million individuals or first
- 19 responders in a matter of seconds via a single digital
- 20 message in English or any other language.
- This technology does not compete with other
- 22 wireless systems or technologies, but complements them
- 23 and requires no system upgrades or cost to implement
- 24 this additional alerting channel. The system can also
- 25 do dynamic geotargeting within 1,000 feet using the FM

- 1 infrastructure to navigate even within buildings
- 2 without GPS and is CAP compatible.
- We ask this committee, the wireless
- 4 carriers, to please adopt the language as an option
- 5 only voluntarily to include, and I'm going to move it
- 6 from the first paragraph where it says pagers and
- 7 FM/RBDS receivers. We'd like to move it down to (A)
- 8 where it says such as media flow and DVB. We'd like
- 9 to include FM/RBDS receivers.
- 10 That's all I ask this committee to do.
- 11 Again, we understand this is options to the wireless
- 12 carriers. We're trying to give all wireless carriers
- 13 and all technologies to the general public available,
- 14 and that's all we're asking this committee to vote on.
- 15 We'd appreciate your support. Thank you.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 17 Do we have a second?
- 18 MR. ROBERTS: This is Pat Roberts. I'll
- 19 second it.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 21 Discussion? Yes, Mr. Daly?
- 22 MR. DALY: Just a clarification. Brian
- 23 Daly. You mentioned moving Line 27 down to Line 30.
- 24 Is that what you're suggesting?
- MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir, Mr. Daly.

- 1 MR. DALY: Okay. Thank you.
- 2 MALE VOICE: I think just the words FM/RBDS.
- 3 MR. DALY: Yes. Right. Exactly.
- 4 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
- 5 MR. DALY: Thank you.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Mr. Jones?
- 7 MR. JONES: Thank you. Just a question for
- 8 clarification. Then are you proposing not to include
- 9 Lines 36 and 37, but rather just include FM/RBDS
- 10 receivers after DVBH?
- MR. ADAMS: Well, we think we could be
- 12 compatible with the cell phone networks in the
- 13 aggregate. That's the only reason we put that
- 14 language in there, sir, as an option to the carriers.
- 15 MALE VOICE: I think his answer is yes.
- MR. ADAMS: Yes. I'm sorry.
- 17 MALE VOICE: Yes?
- 18 MR. ADAMS: Yes, we would like it to stay in
- 19 there also. We just wanted to move the receivers from
- 20 up where it says cell phones and pagers down to the
- 21 other paragraph.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. So your proposed
- 23 amendment, the FM/RBDS receivers that you have on Line
- 24 27, you would move that down to Line 30 right after
- 25 DVBH?

- 1 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
- 2 MR. MORAN: The sentence you propose at the
- 3 end on Lines 36 and 37, you would keep them there?
- 4 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 6 MR. ADAMS: As an option to the carriers.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Jones?
- 8 MR. JONES: Thank you. Gary Jones. I think
- 9 I have less problems with adding RBDS as one of the
- 10 technologies that are not considered as part of CMAS.
- 11 I would have an issue I believe with saying that it
- 12 does meet the requirements of CMAS.
- We had a long discussion during the
- 14 committee meetings about the possibility of adding FM
- 15 receivers into the CMAS structure or into handsets.
- 16 That presents a huge number of problems for a carrier,
- 17 and I don't think we could support that.
- 18 Thank you.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Are you proposing to amend the
- 20 amendment or not?
- 21 MR. JONES: I'm saying that if the amendment
- 22 is to do both of those -- add RBDS in the first line,
- 23 in Line 30, and keep Lines 36 and 37 -- I don't
- 24 believe that's something we could support.
- 25 MR. ADAMS: The purpose it was in there is

- 1 for the carriers to evaluate any and all technologies
- 2 as they put in the front media flow and the other
- 3 technologies and let the WARN Act and Congress, if the
- 4 commercial mobile carriers chose a different path that
- 5 would be less vulnerable on their network and also
- 6 have other features as a second data channel to tell
- 7 when the networks are down to the handsets and all.
- 8 If they chose to do that instead of
- 9 implementing some expensive type of aggregator in a
- 10 system, but this would meet the WARN Act to get
- 11 encrypted digital alert messages out. That's the only
- 12 reason we kept it in there.
- 13 Again, even if it's taken out today we're
- 14 going to still propose it to the FCC so the carriers
- 15 have options since this is voluntary.
- MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Melone?
- 17 MR. MELONE: Yes. Tony Melone. I'd like to
- 18 I guess reinforce what Gary has said.
- 19 You know, I think the last statement is the
- 20 one that's problematic because I don't believe it's
- 21 factual. I don't believe it meets the CMAS
- 22 architecture requirement that's in the draft
- 23 recommendation. I mean, there are not FM receivers in
- 24 the devices. That's not part of the recommendation.
- 25 I would say I would be comfortable with

- 1 adding FM/RBDS receivers on Line 30, but I also would
- 2 not be comfortable leaving that last statement in.
- 3 MR. ADAMS: Wi-Fi is not included also, so I
- 4 suggest that the cellular carriers wouldn't be using
- 5 Wi-Fi to disseminate alert messages.
- 6 MALE VOICE: Mr. Chairman?
- 7 MR. MELONE: I missed your point.
- 8 MR. ADAMS: As you said, the FM chips, which
- 9 I disagree. They're in cell phones now.
- 10 What I'm saying is the carriers' networks
- 11 that comply with the architecture of CMAS. I'm saying
- 12 if a carrier decided to do Wi-Fi instead of cellular
- 13 networks would that comply to CMAS in your opinion,
- 14 Wi-Fi technology where you can make a phone call or be
- 15 in the cell business?
- 16 MR. MELONE: That is not consistent with the
- 17 current CMAS recommendations as they're defined here.
- 18 MR. ADAMS: I appreciate that. You
- 19 clarified that.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Daly?
- 21 MR. DALY: Yes. I'd just like to talk on
- 22 behalf of the Communication Technology Group.
- You mentioned Wi-Fi. We did not address
- 24 Wi-Fi, nor did we address the FM broadcast system, so
- 25 I think consistent with what Mr. Melone and Mr. Jones

- 1 said the statement of being compatible with the CMAS
- 2 architecture requirements has not been evaluated by
- 3 the Communication Technology Group in the committee,
- 4 so I would agree with the recommendation that the last
- 5 lines, 36 and 37, be struck.
- 6 MR. ADAMS: Right. I will agree to strike
- 7 that at this time. Thank you, Mr. Daly.
- 8 MR. WILLIAMS: Actually, I would disagree
- 9 with Bobby's agreement to strike it. Actually, I
- 10 think there's a larger point here.
- 11 This is Kelly Williams from the NAB for
- 12 those of you on the phone. Sorry.
- 13 It is true that FM as a solution does not
- 14 strictly meet CMAS as the architecture is described in
- 15 the document because this document assumes that there
- 16 is a national footprint and that all messages are
- 17 aggregated through a single point of failure, I might
- 18 add, but single point.
- 19 What FM does do is it does meet the spirit
- 20 of the WARN Act, which is it allows the dissemination
- 21 of emergency messages to be local, to remain local as
- 22 it is now. You have a local EOC who goes through an
- 23 FM -- I hate using the word network, but an FM
- 24 infrastructure locally directly to handsets.
- 25 It is actually true that FM chips are

- 1 available in handsets. It's a matter of whether or
- 2 not they're available in the U.S. and whether or not
- 3 the carrier wants to make it available to their
- 4 customer. It's not additional cost.
- 5 Frankly, along the lines of our previous
- 6 discussion, if a customer wishes to buy such a phone
- 7 they can buy that phone, so it's not a burden to the
- 8 carriers. In fact, I think Bobby's point is that it
- 9 is not a burden to carriers. It's a system that to
- 10 some extent goes around carriers and doesn't require
- 11 them to put an infrastructure, but still allows them
- 12 to provide a service to its customers that meets the
- 13 spirit of the WARN Act.
- 14 I would suggest actually to amend the last
- 15 one, two, three, four words here and to say it doesn't
- 16 actually meet the CMAS architecture as described in
- 17 the document, but I would say meets the spirit of the
- 18 WARN Act.
- 19 MR. BOTTERELL: Mr. Chairman?
- MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Botterell?
- 21 MR. BOTTERELL: Art Botterell. Without
- 22 opining one way or the other on the merits of FM/RBDS,
- 23 while I think in fact that's the point we have not
- 24 really evaluated in this process FM/RBDS, and I would
- 25 not be able to support an assertion that we have found

- 1 anything about it one way or the other.
- 2 That's why I would support the deletion of
- 3 those last two lines because there are many things
- 4 that we haven't studied.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 6 MR. BOTTERELL: I would also just like to
- 7 comment on there seems to be an assumption that CMAS
- 8 is the universe of warning, and if things are not
- 9 covered under this CMAS architecture that somehow
- 10 they're going to be excluded from the warning
- 11 universe. That's simply not the case.
- 12 The CAP based IPAWS architecture that FEMA
- 13 is putting together, the CAP based warning
- 14 architectures in the State of California, in New York,
- 15 various local systems, Hawaii. These are all
- 16 perfectly capable of harmonizing any number of warning
- 17 technologies, including, but not limited to, to CMAS.
- 18 I just wanted to get it on the record that
- 19 the issue here is not excluding FM/RBDS. I think it's
- 20 simply only making those findings that we've actually
- 21 made.
- 22 MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Adams, it's your
- 23 amendment. Did you --
- MR. ADAMS: I would like to change it with
- 25 my broadcast colleague.

- 1 MR. MORAN: So you would have two changes to
- 2 your own amendment, one of which is moving the FM/RBDS
- 3 receiver from Line 27 onto Line 30, and then at the
- 4 end of Line 37 where it says "would meet the CMAS
- 5 architecture requirement" now you would say "would
- 6 meet the spirit of the WARN Act," which is what I
- 7 think Mr. Williams said.
- 8 MR. ADAMS: Right.
- 9 MR. MORAN: And so you would accept those
- 10 friendly amendments? One of them was your own.
- 11 MR. ADAMS: Yes. That's correct.
- MR. MORAN: Any discussion? Is that clear,
- 13 and is there any discussion on that?
- MR. WERTZ: Mr. Chairman?
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- 16 MR. WERTZ: I believe I'm the only broadcast
- 17 licensee in the room. The spirit of this committee
- 18 has been outstanding, but I believe that it is
- 19 possible for us to accept that the amendment on the
- 20 table is complementary to what we're attempting to do
- 21 and does not compete.
- 22 From a historical standpoint, there has
- 23 never been a Presidential alert of any kind to the
- 24 entire country, but every year there are thousands and
- 25 thousands of local emergency alerts that FM and AM

- 1 radio and TV have done and this committee will also be
- 2 able to fill in in that respect.
- 3 You know, I would ask -- I would hope -- as
- 4 a broadcaster that the cellular partners on this
- 5 committee would again consider that this amendment is
- 6 a complementary one and not one in conflict with the
- 7 WARN Act.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay. Yes?
- 9 MR. RUTLEDGE: Mr. Chairman, Dan Rutledge.
- 10 I have no problem with moving Line 27 to Line 30. I
- 11 think that's appropriate, but Lines 36 and 37 as it
- 12 existed originally I had a problem with it because we
- 13 did not get a chance to evaluate it and from an
- 14 engineering perspective did not study it.
- 15 I mean, as an engineer I don't know what an
- 16 existing addressable FM based broadcast system is or
- 17 how it works and whether it would work in its current
- 18 form or whether it meets the spirit even as amended.
- 19 I don't know that, and I can't definitively as a
- 20 representative of a Technology Group say that that is
- 21 a true statement. I'm sorry. It's just a little too
- 22 late. It may be.
- 23 If we had the opportunity to evaluate this
- 24 in committee it may very well be appropriate text, but
- 25 we never had a chance to look at this.

- 1 MR. ADAMS: The comment I have is that in
- 2 the spirit of working with all the engineers, which I
- 3 have some too, we're not sure if anything we discussed
- 4 in those committees is going to work yet. This is
- 5 only recommendations.
- 6 MALE VOICE: That's absolutely true. It's
- 7 not built or even been designed.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Melone?
- 9 MR. MELONE: One additional comment there.
- 10 I guess the Technology Group has been established for
- 11 months, and this is something that very well --
- 12 FEMALE VOICE: Could you please speak into
- 13 the microphone?
- 14 MR. MELONE: -- could have and should have
- 15 been evaluated in the Technology Group and not
- 16 something, a fundamental technology decision, on a
- 17 recommendation be brought up as an amendment on the --
- 18 MALE VOICE: We can't hear him at all.
- MR. MELONE: Well, unfortunately for the
- 20 folks in the room they can hear me so I'm not sure
- 21 what the problem is with the microphone.
- 22 MALE VOICE: Apparently they can't hear us
- 23 either.
- 24 MALE VOICE: We can hear you.
- 25 MALE VOICE: Can they hear you? Can they

- 1 hear you now?
- 2 MR. MELONE: Can the bridge hear me right
- 3 now?
- 4 MALE VOICE: Yes.
- 5 MR. MELONE: Thank you. Can the bridge hear
- 6 me now?
- 7 MALE VOICE: Better.
- 8 MR. MELONE: Okay. So what I mentioned
- 9 earlier, a fundamental technology recommendation to be
- 10 evaluated needed to be made earlier in the process so
- 11 that the Technology Committee who was charged to look
- 12 at these types of options could have evaluated it
- 13 fairly.
- 14 Presenting it as an amendment at this late
- 15 stage I think is unfair to the group working on it,
- 16 and, as Doug said, it's impossible for us to make an
- 17 educated decision on that at this point in time.
- 18 The second point I will make is that I don't
- 19 agree that this is complementary. Well, I shouldn't
- 20 say that. It may well be complementary, but putting
- 21 this in this document, this document is rules for
- 22 commercial mobile service providers.
- 23 Commercial mobile service providers do not
- 24 provide devices, FM receivers, in their network. It's
- 25 not our business practice, so to say it's

- 1 complementary would suggest that we could implement
- 2 this technology.
- 3 That's not our business, so why that would
- 4 be in a recommendation for commercial mobile service
- 5 providers to opt in or opt out I think makes no sense,
- 6 and I will suggest that if that's part of a
- 7 recommendation we will all opt out because we don't
- 8 provide that service today.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Czarnecki, I think you had a
- 10 point?
- 11 MR. CZARNECKI: A brief point maybe along
- 12 the same lines. You know, I'm very well aware of RBDS
- 13 subcarrier paging capabilities, having built such
- 14 networks overseas.
- 15 Leaving aside the merits of such an
- 16 architecture, it's not a commercial mobile alerting
- 17 service as defined by the WARN Act, and it is coming
- 18 in late. Without the opportunity to really seriously
- 19 review the merits of it, it does put us at a
- 20 disadvantage in truly evaluating the merits of the
- 21 amendment.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- Discussion from the bridge on this?
- 24 MR. ROBERTS: This is Pat Roberts. I'm with
- 25 the Florida broadcasters, and I'm chair of the state

- 1 Emergency Communication Committee down here since
- 2 1987. We have kind of a model EAS system.
- I thought this amendment if nothing else
- 4 showed that we do have terrestrial being. We've got
- 5 EAS that works in Florida. Not all states do, and I
- 6 understand that. You talk about Amber. It was
- 7 founded by the broadcasters in the Dallas/Fort Worth
- 8 area.
- 9 To me this was an amendment that at least
- 10 gave recognition to the history of alerting this
- 11 country, which started with radio and includes TV and
- 12 cable, and we truly as the head of the state emergency
- 13 communications for emergencies in Florida look forward
- 14 to the cell guys joining us.
- 15 We all know you could have the chip. If
- 16 it's not in the phones, it could be in the phones. I
- 17 mean, in Europe it's there now. You can pick up FM
- 18 radio stations in Europe on your cell phone, so it's
- 19 not a technology question. It may be a policy
- 20 question. There's no question in my mind it could be
- 21 done.
- 22 You all obviously have the votes, so if you
- 23 want to not at least show some level of recognition to
- 24 the history of alerting and some recognition of the
- 25 participation of the broadcasters you're obviously

- 1 going to rule the amendment and kill it, but I would
- 2 ask your vote in support because it doesn't mandate
- 3 it. It says you need to look at it.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Thank you, Mr. Roberts.
- 5 Any other comments or discussion?
- 6 MR. ADAMS: Yes. I have a comment to Mr.
- 7 Czarnecki.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Go ahead.
- 9 MR. ADAMS: Just to inform the committee who
- 10 hadn't studied it, there's over a \$1.5 million pilot
- 11 funded by the Homeland Security dollars in the State
- 12 of Mississippi which is up and running not only with
- 13 wireless mobile devices, but also cell phones.
- 14 Thank you, Committee.
- MR. BOTTERELL: Mr. Chairman?
- MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Botterell?
- 17 MR. BOTTERELL: Just based on what I've
- 18 heard, I would ask the gentleman one last time if he
- 19 would entertain as a friendly amendment to delete
- 20 those last two lines.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Adams?
- 22 MR. ADAMS: That would be fine with me.
- MR. ROBERTS: Let me understand it. You're
- 24 going to leave the lines on 30, right?
- MR. BOTTERELL: Yes, that's my

- 1 understanding.
- MR. MORAN: So, Mr. Adams, your current
- 3 proposal is to move the language from 27 to 30 and
- 4 eliminate the last two lines?
- 5 MR. ADAMS: Yes, sir. Thank you.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 7 Any discussion on the bridge?
- 8 (No response.)
- 9 MR. MORAN: Any discussion here?
- 10 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Let's go to vote. Let's vote on
- 12 Mr. Adams' amendment.
- MR. WERTZ: Mr. Chairman, please repeat that
- 14 one more time.
- 15 MR. MORAN: Okay. The amendment on the
- 16 table is on Line 27 where it says FM/RBDS receivers,
- 17 that will come out of that line and it will go in on
- 18 Line 30 right after DVBH.
- MR. WERTZ: Very good.
- MR. MORAN: We'll make the grammar proper.
- 21 Lines 36 and 37 will be eliminated.
- MR. ADAMS: That's correct.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- Okay. So that's what we're voting on at the
- 25 table here. Everyone who votes for the amendment --

- 1 MR. PAESE: Mr. Chairman?
- 2 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry?
- 3 MR. PAESE: As a clarification, just
- 4 following along in the book, it is actually Section
- 5 5.2, subsection 7.
- 6 MR. ADAMS: That's correct. Thank you.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 8 Okay. Those of us in the room, all who are
- 9 for this amendment raise your hand.
- 10 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: We have that. Thank you.
- 12 All opposed, raise your hand.
- (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: And abstain?
- 15 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 16 MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, could you report the
- 17 vote at the table here?
- 18 MS. GILGENBACH: Twenty-eight yes, one no,
- 19 two abstain.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Thank you. Now we'll go to the
- 21 bridge.
- 22 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 3 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry. Did you catch that?
- 4 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 5 MS. GILGENBACH: Yes.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Yes. Okay.
- 7 Mr. Lyon?
- 8 MR. LYON: Yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- MR. PREST: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- 15 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 18 MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Thank you. We have that vote.
- 22 That amendment carries.
- Okay. We have a few more. Mr. Berardi, I
- 24 think you're front and center. We have a number of
- 25 amendments offered by Mr. Berardi.

- 1 MR. BERARDI: Thank you, Mr. Chairman. I
- 2 will try and keep this short.
- 3 Let me just say that following the release
- 4 of the final draft we pulled together a diverse group
- 5 of Commissioners and senior city officials to discuss
- 6 the technology, the operations and the human aspects
- 7 involved with this. With that, I will get right into
- 8 our first amendment.
- 9 On the issue of message size here, Section
- 10 5.3.1, I'd like to if possible vote concurrently on
- 11 these two amendments.
- MR. MORAN: I agree.
- MR. BERARDI: Okay. We have several other
- 14 paired amendments further throughout.
- MR. MORAN: Yes.
- MR. BERARDI: I think that the argument here
- 17 is pretty simple. If it's not written down it might
- 18 not happen.
- 19 We just believe that this is a point of
- 20 clarification that's important in terms of the process
- 21 ahead as different people become involved over time.
- 22 Most of our recommendations are just solidifying
- 23 things that we think have already been agreed upon
- 24 generally, and this is one of those cases.
- We'd like to ensure --

- 1 MALE VOICE: Can you speak into the mic a
- 2 little bit more?
- MR. BERARDI: Absolutely. Is that better,
- 4 sir?
- 5 MALE VOICE: Yes. Thanks.
- 6 MR. BERARDI: We'd like to ensure that the
- 7 Biennial Review Committee, which I gather may be
- 8 meeting more frequently than twice a year, gets an
- 9 opportunity to specifically look into the character
- 10 limit profile as technology changes over time.
- 11 We're not asking for any specific
- 12 recommendations in terms of increases in the character
- 13 limit. We understand the limitations of CDMA. We
- 14 understand all the technology components involved.
- 15 We're merely asking that it be a specific point of
- 16 review as that committee meets periodically.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second?
- 18 Yes?
- 19 MR. GUTTMAN-McCABE: Can I just ask a point
- 20 of clarification?
- MR. MORAN: Yes.
- MR. GUTTMAN-McCABE: I think you meant
- 23 biennial and not biannual in each of those.
- MR. BERARDI: Yes. I'm sorry. My
- 25 apologies. The text as written says biannual.

- 1 MALE VOICE: I'll second it.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Biennial with an E?
- 3 MR. BERARDI: An E, yes.
- 4 MR. MORAN: And that's what we talked about
- 5 earlier.
- 6 MR. BERARDI: Yes.
- 7 MR. GUTTMAN-McCABE: And you'd be happy to
- 8 accept that as a friendly amendment?
- 9 MR. BERARDI: Yes. Yes.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Okay. All right. Do we have a
- 11 second on this proposal?
- 12 MALE VOICE: I second it.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 14 Any discussion?
- 15 MR. PITTS: Mr. Chairman?
- MR. MORAN: Yes?
- 17 MR. PITTS: Briefly, I think really --
- MR. MORAN: This is Mr. Pitts, by the way.
- 19 MR. PITTS: Billy Pitts. I think really
- 20 what you're asking for is for us to take a second look
- 21 at the character limitations that we currently
- 22 envision and see in the future as technology makes us
- 23 aware of what we are able to do that it could expand
- 24 beyond the 90 characters.
- MR. BERARDI: A second look, perhaps a third

- 1 or fourth look if there's time for that depending on
- 2 the implementation schedule.
- 3 MR. PITTS: So noted. Several looks
- 4 potentially at it.
- 5 MR. BERARDI: Times change.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any other discussion here
- 7 at the table?
- 8 (No response.)
- 9 MR. MORAN: How about on the bridge? Any
- 10 discussion on this issue?
- 11 MR. WILLIAMS: I'm confused about what we're
- 12 voting on.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 14 MR. WILLIAMS: Are we voting on, looking at
- 15 this page, there's a section marked Message Size?
- MR. BERARDI: That's it.
- 17 MR. WILLIAMS: You said something about
- 18 concurrent.
- MR. BERARDI: That's correct.
- MR. WILLIAMS: So are we voting on
- 21 everything in this section?
- MR. MORAN: Yes.
- MR. BERARDI: We're voting on the two
- 24 sentences that begin with the Amendment word
- 25 underlined.

- 1 MR. WILLIAMS: Okay.
- 2 MR. BERARDI: The first is an addition
- 3 between the two sentences in the current text. The
- 4 second is a parenthetical addition that's going to be
- 5 added in several places.
- 6 FEMALE VOICE: So where does it stop?
- 7 MR. BERARDI: I'm sorry. Everything we're
- 8 voting on roughly stops before the word justification
- 9 at the top of the second page. It's the two amendment
- 10 lines above that.
- MR. MORAN: Would you just like a minute or
- 12 so to take a look at those?
- 13 Gary? Mr. Jones?
- 14 MR. JONES: Gary Jones. Just to further
- 15 clarify that, in both these insertions -- there's more
- 16 than two, but in both of these texts -- the word
- 17 biannual is replaced with the word biennial?
- 18 MR. BERARDI: Yes.
- 19 MR. JONES: Yes? Okay. Thank you.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Any discussion of this? I
- 21 forget if I asked on the bridge. Anything on the
- 22 bridge on this?
- 23 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Ann, did you need more
- 25 time to look at this before we vote?

- 1 (No response.)
- 2 MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's take this for a
- 3 vote right now.
- 4 All those at the table here who vote to
- 5 accept the amendments on message size offered by Mr.
- 6 Berardi, raise your hand.
- 7 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have that count.
- 9 Thank you.
- 10 All those opposed, raise your hand.
- (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Abstain, raise your hand.
- 13 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 14 MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, could you report the
- 15 count to the bridge?
- MS. GILGENBACH: Twenty-six yes, one no,
- 17 three abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 19 Let's go on the bridge. Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- 24 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?

- 1 (No response.)
- 2 MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- 3 MR. LYON: Yes.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- 5 MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 7 MR. PREST: Yes.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 9 MR. ROBERTS: Yes.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- 12 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Once again, Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Thank you. We have the vote.
- 19 That amendment carries.
- Okay. Mr. Berardi, your second one?
- 21 MR. BERARDI: Mr. Chairman, we'll see if we
- 22 can keep this pace up.
- 23 Our second issue is pertaining to message
- 24 content and specifically Section 5.3.2.1. What we're
- 25 proposing is that we delete the phrase in the middle,

- 1 "The message contains no phone numbers or URLs."
- We're not looking to place a policy into
- 3 effect here or to change the recommendation as it
- 4 stands. We're merely looking for a little leeway for
- 5 additions or wiggle room perhaps moving forward.
- We believe that as again technology changes,
- 7 as times change, as public expectations and media
- 8 expectations change it may be that a simple solution
- 9 is on the horizon not too far away, and we don't
- 10 believe that there's any need to limit the
- 11 recommendation as it stands.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- Do we have a second?
- 14 MALE VOICE: Second.
- MR. MORAN: We have a second. Okay.
- Any discussion on this one? Yes, Mr. Daly?
- 17 MR. PREST: This is Art Prest calling in
- 18 from England.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 20 MR. PREST: I have some concerns about this
- 21 from both a procedural and a policy point of view.
- This area was discussed at length in various
- 23 conference calls. We had joint conference calls. We
- 24 spent hours, days and weeks on this particular issue,
- 25 and I can't understand how it's come in over the

- 1 transom suddenly given the fact that there was ample
- 2 time at the various PNG meetings and joint conference
- 3 calls to raise this.
- 4 The reason that we do not want URLs or
- 5 telephone numbers in there is that people will stop to
- 6 either try to access the internet in the case of
- 7 emergency or make telephone calls, which is going to
- 8 totally congest the network and potentially take that
- 9 whole network down, which is not what you want.
- To all of a sudden out of the blue have this
- 11 thing come in at us is just not right.
- 12 MR. BERARDI: I understand that. I'd like a
- 13 chance to respond.
- 14 We understand the concerns with network
- 15 capacity I think in New York better than anywhere
- 16 else. I think we have a very delicate partnership
- 17 that we're going to have to maintain with the public
- 18 to make various systems work. It's something that
- 19 we're doing this month in fact as we start our first
- 20 SMS pilot, and it's something that we'll be doing in
- 21 January as we start our first auto dialing or reverse
- 22 911 auto messaging pilot.
- 23 My concern here is that by having this
- 24 language included in the recommendation it's going to
- 25 seriously limit our ability to do targeted messaging

- 1 with a call back or URL feature once we get towards a
- 2 more geogranular alerting process down the road.
- Now, we're not putting a timeline on that.
- 4 We're not looking to specify how the geogranular
- 5 targeting is going to be either recommended or
- 6 developed, but we do, for instance, in the case of a
- 7 small tsunami or in the case of coastal flooding
- 8 areas, the people that we're going to be alerting are
- 9 comparatively small with respect to the large number
- 10 of people in a city, and it's going to be spread out
- 11 over many different towers and many different knocks
- 12 or hubs.
- 13 If we can't let people that live within 12
- 14 feet of sea level know that they need to call 311 to
- 15 get some very detailed information very quickly,
- 16 something that we can respond to, it limits our
- 17 ability to help them.
- 18 We understand that it's going to require
- 19 again responsible management and cooperation by both
- 20 the alerting officials and the public. It's a little
- 21 bit of a wild card in some areas, but to limit it
- 22 today makes no sense.
- 23 MR. PREST: It makes sense given today's
- 24 technology unfortunately. Once in the future we get
- 25 to the ability to be able to provide more

- 1 geographically specific targeting maybe that would be
- 2 possible. It's not possible, and the way this is
- 3 worded just opens this up totally.
- 4 Now, I want you to be aware that I was the
- 5 big champion of free form text, and one of the
- 6 concerns that the carriers have is the fact that if
- 7 you have free form text are the emergency managers
- 8 going to put in a URL or a telephone number to call,
- 9 and that's why we put that language in there. No,
- 10 they're not going to be allowed.
- 11 MR. BERARDI: I understand that.
- MR. PREST: One of the reasons for the
- 13 canned text was to prevent that from happening, and
- 14 all of a sudden this shows up in the eleventh hour.
- 15 MR. BERARDI: I can't speak for the rest of
- 16 the country, but I can speak operationally for the
- 17 City of New York and how we will interpret and
- 18 partnership with the carriers in using this
- 19 efficiently and responsibly.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Daly?
- 21 MR. DALY: Yes. Thank you. As Art
- 22 mentioned, we have addressed this several times within
- 23 the CTG, and in fact during one of the earlier
- 24 presentations to the Advisory Committee I did express
- 25 in my presentation one of the concerns of network

- 1 congestion that could be caused by sending wireless
- 2 alerts to mobile subscribers that have the device in
- 3 hand.
- 4 Encouraging them to call 311 enhances our
- 5 fear of what it will do to the network. We saw recent
- 6 examples in Minneapolis, a small area, just a bridge
- 7 area, where the network was congested because
- 8 everybody was trying to use the phones. The headlines
- 9 reported network outages. I saw headlines that public
- 10 safety couldn't do critical communications because the
- 11 network was congested.
- 12 Encouraging people to use voice services in
- 13 times of heavy network usage and congestion like that
- 14 is just asking for trouble in our view, and I think we
- 15 have to look at the CMAS as being one component in an
- 16 effective communication mechanism for the public.
- 17 We have to take into account that there are
- 18 more efficient ways to get more information out there
- 19 than picking up the phone and dialing 311.
- MR. MORAN: Absolutely.
- MR. DALY: So, yes, we definitely would find
- 22 a challenge to support such an open-ended
- 23 recommendation or amendment. We were very thoughtful
- 24 on the text that was in there. We did analyze the
- 25 impacts.

- 1 You mentioned in the justification that one
- 2 of our responsibilities should be to transmit the
- 3 message as sent out by the originator. I think one of
- 4 our key responsibilities as operator is to protect our
- 5 network and make sure that we have the ability to
- 6 provide the essential communication services to the
- 7 best of our abilities, and I think this would hamper
- 8 that.
- 9 MR. BERARDI: This is a collaborative work
- 10 effort, and I realize I'm a minority here, but it's
- 11 the position I have to represent today unfortunately.
- 12 MR. MORAN: Mr. Barr?
- 13 MR. BARR: Yes. We at the NCS studied this
- 14 sometime back after 9-11. We modeled it, and very
- 15 quickly the message that you send out gets replicated
- 16 and passed on to other people, and before you know it
- 17 you do saturate the switching center and you do bring
- 18 it down, so I agree with your findings, you know, from
- 19 experience and from modeling that we have done.
- The limitation also on free form text comes
- 21 in. I'll give you an example. In the Moscow hotline
- 22 they very closely control the text that's on there so
- 23 that there's no ambiguity in the messages that are
- 24 sent back and forth.
- 25 I think the efforts that we have here to

- 1 control the ambiguity in the messages that goes out
- 2 are well intentioned and well put in and so I highly
- 3 recommend that you be very, very careful with putting
- 4 URLs and phone numbers in there -- 311, 911, whatever
- 5 it is -- because you will saturate the system.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Mr. Jones?
- 7 MR. JONES: Thank you. Gary Jones. As
- 8 Brian said, we talked about this quite extensively,
- 9 and the one key point that the carriers continually
- 10 made during this entire process was we couldn't do
- 11 anything that would cause harm to our network. Now,
- 12 harm in this case being it eliminates the capability
- 13 of the network to provide essential services.
- 14 When we looked at this proposal and
- 15 particularly the idea of calling an information
- 16 number, it really brought home to us a couple of
- 17 problems.
- 18 One, geotargeting doesn't help you because
- 19 when you target a specific area for an alert you're
- 20 targeting everybody who's in that area. That means
- 21 they're going to log on and try to make a call on
- 22 those particular cell sites; not ones that are spread
- 23 out and able to offload the traffic, but a specific
- 24 set of cell sites.
- 25 If you take New York, say a carrier has five

- 1 million customers in New York spread across the five
- 2 boroughs. New York wants us to subdivide that into
- 3 the five boroughs to be able to geotarget. That's a
- 4 million customers in that borough that we're going to
- 5 send an alert to that says immediately get on your
- 6 phone and call this number.
- 7 The rule of thumb I'm going to guess is
- 8 probably a ratio of 200 to one. That is, we provide a
- 9 radio channel for every 200 subscribers. You can see
- 10 very quickly how the radio resources get used up after
- 11 that alert is put out, but then when we examine this a
- 12 little further it got even worse.
- 13 There are mechanisms in place in the
- 14 networks to provide for wireless priority service;
- 15 that is, government officials being able to get
- 16 priority service, and priority treatment for 911
- 17 calls. Those priority treatments only work when there
- 18 are available radio channels.
- 19 When all the radio channels get used up the
- 20 911 calls do not go through. The priority access call
- 21 is not going to go through. If you tell people to
- 22 call an information number so they can hear two or
- 23 three minutes worth of a message giving them some
- 24 additional information, that's going to tie up the
- 25 network completely, giving us no ability to provide

- 1 the essential services that are needed maybe at that
- 2 particular moment.
- 3 That's the reason we have maintained
- 4 throughout the process of the committee that the
- 5 wireless service was a bell ringer. It could be a
- 6 first alert, but it simply tells people that something
- 7 has happened and they need to go seek additional
- 8 information. We want them to seek that additional
- 9 information off network -- the radio, TV, some
- 10 additional source, but not calling and tying up our
- 11 network.
- 12 That's the reason these words are there, and
- 13 that's the reason they're specific and why we think
- 14 that they should not be removed.
- 15 Thank you.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 17 Yes?
- 18 MR. HAYES: Thank you. Stephen Hayes. It
- 19 was mentioned that one of the reasons for wanting this
- 20 is for the future to be able to provide a richer set
- 21 of information, but I think the recommendation we have
- 22 right now really provides for that.
- 23 There are profiles in there for the
- 24 transmission of additional audio information, video
- 25 information, multimedia information as the technology

- 1 evolves. That is what I think should be used to
- 2 really distribute the information because that's being
- 3 done over a multicast broadcast mechanism as opposed
- 4 to point-to-point and thereby preserves the integrity
- 5 of the network.
- 6 That's the way I think the CTG group really
- 7 saw that we would be able to provide a richer set of
- 8 information where it would be provided actually to the
- 9 phone in a broadcast mechanism. They could get it
- 10 there without actually having to go and retrieve it,
- 11 so I think it is catering for the future, but still
- 12 trying to protect the integrity of the network.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 14 Any further discussion? Yes, Mr. Pitts?
- 15 MR. PITTS: Mr. Chairman, I think this is a
- 16 legitimate issue because we now have the Department of
- 17 Transportation urging communities to develop 511
- 18 call-in centers so that when people need to evacuate
- 19 they can get information as to the best route to
- 20 evacuate.
- 21 I hear and understand the concern about the
- 22 limitations on the existing system, but I do think
- 23 that this bears further discussion by the FCC because
- 24 we are going to be sending out messages potentially
- 25 telling people to evacuate at the same time the states

- 1 are going to be saying, you know, if there's an
- 2 evacuation call 511, so they're going to have the
- 3 phone. They're going to be calling anyway.
- We need to look at what's happening both at
- 5 the federal level and at the state level with respect
- 6 to these and coordinate better so that we don't have
- 7 the kind of congestion that you all are concerned
- 8 about.
- 9 I think it's a legitimate subject. I think
- 10 it needs to be pursued at some point. Whether or not
- 11 the language now should be changed is a wholly
- 12 different thing, but I think it's definitely a subject
- 13 that the FCC needs to explore further.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you, Mr. Pitts.
- MR. MIRGON: Richard Mirgon with APCO
- 16 International.
- 17 I think this amendment is actually harmful
- 18 to the community. I think what we need to understand
- 19 is there are a lot of very well meaning policy makers
- 20 out there who would like to provide information who do
- 21 not understand network architecture.
- When you look at today's even more robust
- 23 wire line infrastructure in disasters it becomes
- 24 quickly overloaded.
- 25 FEMALE VOICE: Please speak into the

- 1 microphone.
- 2 MR. MIRGON: Subsequently what you have is
- 3 you have people out here who are having heart attacks,
- 4 accidents, who have been injured, who have been
- 5 assaulted, who need immediate help. We are precluding
- 6 their ability to get that help in times of other
- 7 disasters.
- 8 Those events still occur on a day-to-day
- 9 basis, and we cannot remove that access phone.
- 10 Understanding band width and network architecture, I
- 11 don't see a foreseeable time in the next 20 years that
- 12 we can accommodate all those needs with the existing
- 13 physics that occur within our limited operation of
- 14 whether it's band width or telephone network, so I see
- 15 this as actually counterproductive and harmful to the
- 16 citizens that we're here to serve.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 18 MR. BERARDI: I thank you for that comment,
- 19 and I would just respectfully remind you I work two
- 20 blocks from Ground Zero. I have WPS priority on my
- 21 phone. I also oversee our ECTP transformation of the
- 22 911 center, so I'm not ignorant to the needs of the
- 23 band width. I just don't believe in closing doors
- 24 before they have to be shut.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.

- 1 MR. BERARDI: We know how this vote is going
- 2 to go, but we'd still like it to go to a vote.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Any discussion from the bridge?
- 4 (No response.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Hearing none, let's vote on this
- 6 amendment. All those who favor the amendment offered
- 7 by Mr. Berardi, raise your hand.
- 8 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 9 MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you. We have that
- 10 count.
- 11 All those opposed, raise your hand.
- 12 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 14 Abstain?
- 15 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Sue, could you report the vote
- 17 to the bridge?
- 18 MS. GILGENBACH: Six yes, 20 no, four
- 19 abstain.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Okay. Going down the bridge,
- 21 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: No.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?

- 1 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Abstain.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- 3 MR. LYON: No.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- 5 MR. McGINNIS: No.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 7 MR. PREST: No.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 9 FEMALE VOICE: Voting for Mr. Roberts,
- 10 abstain.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: No.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: No.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do you have a final
- 18 tally, Sue?
- 19 MS. GILGENBACH: I didn't hear the first
- 20 person vote.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Ban voted against the
- 22 amendment.
- 23 MS. GILGENBACH: Seven yes, 27 no, seven
- 24 abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. So that does not pass.

- 1 Okay. Mr. Berardi, next item?
- 2 MR. BERARDI: Yes. I'm sorry.
- 3 MALE VOICE: Could we have a five minute
- 4 recess?
- 5 MR. MORAN: Sure. Let's take a five minute
- 6 break. We've been here nearly three hours. We'll be
- 7 back at 12:50.
- 8 (Whereupon, a short recess was taken.)
- 9 MR. MORAN: Let's have a seat if you will.
- 10 We just have a few more of these to go.
- 11 Mr. Berardi, the floor is yours.
- MR. BERARDI: Mr. Chairman, I'd like to
- 13 begin with our third recommendation here pertaining to
- 14 priority alert status.
- 15 First of all, I understand that FIFO, first
- 16 in/first out, is something that's been discussed at
- 17 great length, and what we are suggesting today is not
- 18 I believe either for or against the various positions
- 19 that were stated earlier in the process.
- 20 First of all, if I may, my counsel was
- 21 getting very, very tired on Monday as she was revising
- 22 the comments that we sent in Friday per the FCC specs.
- 23 We're just going to delete the second sentence of
- 24 this amendment in the interest of time and because
- 25 we're talking about phones receiving things when

- 1 they're turned off, so my apologies for that.
- The amendment as it stands that we'd like to
- 3 put forward is the first sentence only, and what we're
- 4 asking here is again a forward thinking, progressive
- 5 acknowledgement in the recommendation that merely
- 6 allows for the possibility of amending FIFO later down
- 7 the road.
- 8 We think that as a principle obviously the
- 9 presidential alerts should be categorized as they are.
- 10 We think that first in/first out is a practical
- 11 solution in response to a very complicated scenario
- 12 that might be analogous to air traffic control with
- 13 information.
- 14 So we understand why FIFO was in place as a
- 15 quiding principle, but it may make sense further down
- 16 the road to acknowledge that some areas where you have
- 17 a number of originating authorities in close proximity
- 18 to one another some recognition needs to be given to
- 19 the originators that are going to have the best, most
- 20 timely information and the ability to communicate with
- 21 the public in the most effective way.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 23 MR. WILLIAMS: What did you want to delete?
- MR. BERARDI: We'd like to delete the second
- 25 sentence of our amendment.

- 1 MR. WILLIAMS: The sentence deleted is --
- 2 MR. BERARDI: Yes. SimSAC or its successor.
- 3 MR. WILLIAMS: Yes.
- 4 MALE VOICE: The one that ends turn off
- 5 their phones, right?
- 6 MR. BERARDI: Yes. That was one of the
- 7 problems, yes.
- 8 MALE VOICE: So delete that whole sentence?
- 9 MR. BERARDI: Delete that entire sentence.
- 10 MR. MORAN: So the amendment is just one
- 11 sentence?
- MR. BERARDI: Correct.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second on
- 14 this?
- 15 MALE VOICE: I second it.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Discussion?
- MR. PITTS: Mr. Chairman, Billy Pitts. If I
- 18 might?
- 19 I think this does go to one of the questions
- 20 that the FCC seems to be struggling with in their
- 21 recent EAS report and order where they recommended
- 22 that governors now have the authority to essentially
- 23 activate the EAS system in their state. It's not
- 24 clear in that order, nor is it clear in what we do,
- 25 about priorities. We do say first in/first out.

- 1 Gene, if I'm reading what you say here you
- 2 really want to have a look at this and to try and see
- 3 if there could be in the future or possibly some
- 4 prioritization at the state or regional level?
- 5 MR. BERARDI: That's correct. My worst case
- 6 scenario is an event at Indian Point Nuclear Plant
- 7 north of the city -- it is not inside of the city --
- 8 where we have the state, we have county officials, we
- 9 have potentially a number of people trying to
- 10 originate messages that may or may not be correct.
- We saw other sorts of localized emergencies
- 12 in the past few years, including the Cory Lidle plane
- 13 crash, where you had a very different response from
- 14 different elected officials and organizations, all of
- 15 whom could be a part or an input source to originating
- 16 sources for commercial mobile alerts.
- 17 You had people getting on CNN right away and
- 18 giving the wrong information. You had people that
- 19 waited six hours and gave the right information, but
- 20 not in a timely manner.
- 21 All we're asking for is as this process
- 22 develops, as we have real case examples of how the
- 23 system was used, we can take the lessons learned and
- 24 possibly make amendments to the FIFO priority status,
- 25 particularly when we have a situation where the queue

- 1 gets backed up by the people that want to release
- 2 first, but with the wrong information.
- 3 So again it's about lessons learned down the
- 4 road and coming back retroactively and maybe deciding
- 5 that certain people deserve a higher spot than others.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Yes, Mr. Daly?
- 7 MR. DALY: Yes. Thank you. Brian Daly.
- 8 This again was an issue which we discussed within the
- 9 CTG.
- MR. BERARDI: I know, yes.
- MR. DALY: And thank you for removing the
- 12 second sentence because it takes away a lot of my --
- MR. BERARDI: My lawyer is about to drop.
- 14 It's been a rough couple weeks.
- 15 MR. DALY: One thing I'd like to just raise
- 16 is that as national service providers we may have one
- 17 redundant CMSP gateway pair, and we're dealing with
- 18 alerts that will be coming from across the nation.
- MR. BERARDI: Yes.
- 20 MR. DALY: So while I understand the need
- 21 potentially for creating a procedure which gives some
- 22 alerts higher priority than another, I think that has
- 23 to be pushed back farther than the service provider.
- 24 It has to be part of the initiator and alert gateway
- 25 functions --

- 1 MR. BERARDI: Absolutely. Yes.
- 2 MR. DALY: -- because we won't have enough
- 3 information serving a nationwide area.
- 4 MR. BERARDI: We see an open forum because
- 5 we would still like the carriers to have input. We
- 6 don't believe you should be excluded from that
- 7 process. All we're asking is that it's reviewed
- 8 further.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Botterell?
- 10 MR. BOTTERELL: Mr. Chairman, yes. I'm in
- 11 support of this amendment as amended, but I just did
- 12 want to comment that I think priority schemes work
- 13 when you've got a backlog. When a message has already
- 14 passed through it's less relevant. I think that was
- 15 one of the reasons that the FIFO was an issue.
- 16 Also, the scope of this problem again goes
- 17 well beyond CMAS, and I think that the procedure that
- 18 is devised may ultimately be an organizational
- 19 procedure more than a technological one and so I'm not
- 20 sure whether it's something that will be really
- 21 successfully addressed only within the committee or
- 22 its successor, but I certainly support it as far as it
- 23 goes.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 25 Any other discussion? Yes?

- 1 MR. RUTLEDGE: Doug Rutledge. This, as I
- 2 read it, is in reference to the CMSP gateway. The
- 3 document is written that when the CMSP gateway
- 4 receives an alert it's immediately sent to the cell
- 5 sites. There is no queuing, nor are we responsible
- 6 for maintaining an alert state of some sort where we
- 7 would balance our queue priority messages.
- 8 I would suggest that this first sentence be
- 9 more relevant if modified to say irrespective of their
- 10 ranking in the alert gateway queue because that is
- 11 where the time of processing, conversion and the
- 12 highest likelihood of multiple alerts will be stacked
- 13 up before they're sent to the carrier.
- 14 As a carrier, I'm going to get the alert and
- 15 send it. I'm not going to maintain a state and try
- 16 and balance and try and be responsible for priorities
- 17 or anything else. I get it. I send it. I'm done
- 18 with it.
- 19 MR. BERARDI: That was our intent, and I'm
- 20 sorry it wasn't more clear.
- 21 MR. MORAN: So would you accept it as a
- 22 friendly amendment?
- 23 MR. BERARDI: Absolutely, yes. A friendly
- 24 amendment to say alert gateway queue. Thank you.
- 25 MR. MORAN: So insert before the last word

- 1 in that sentence alert gateway.
- 2 MR. WILLIAMS: Excuse me. I'm confused
- 3 about something you just said.
- 4 You said there's no queue in the CMSP, but
- 5 it says move to the top of the queue. That's already
- 6 approved language, so I guess I'm confused about what
- 7 you mean.
- 8 MR. RUTLEDGE: Well, I think that language
- 9 was inserted there just in case multiple alerts were
- 10 coming in rather close together or coming in
- 11 simultaneously.
- 12 MR. WILLIAMS: Right. So it does apply
- 13 then?
- 14 MR. RUTLEDGE: Only in microseconds. I
- 15 think it's the alert gateway where you've got the idea
- 16 of a hurricane warning that's going on for a period of
- 17 time and maybe you retransmit it several times. You
- 18 might want a higher priority alert to insert itself
- 19 above an existing hurricane warning that may have a
- 20 longer duration.
- 21 For example, a tornado warning is probably
- 22 more relevant. Hurricanes span tornadoes. That would
- 23 have a higher priority within a global hurricane
- 24 warning is a tornado warning in the middle of it. It
- 25 would have a higher priority in the queue.

- 1 The alerting gateway is maintaining that
- 2 status in the state. The carrier is simply receiving
- 3 the message and transmitting it to the cell sites as
- 4 soon as it gets it without delay as fast as possible.
- 5 It's not going to maintain a priority queue at the
- 6 carrier site. The gateway retransmits.
- 7 MR. WILLIAMS: And that makes sense. That's
- 8 just not what this paragraph says, so I guess my
- 9 concern is that whatever edit we put in here doesn't
- 10 suggest that it's limited to the gateway. I'm sorry.
- 11 The aggregator site gateway. I have acronym dysnomy
- 12 here momentarily.
- I mean, just the way the language was
- 14 structured here, and again I'm just looking at the
- 15 existing language in the document. It implies that
- 16 there is some ability for a message to pop before
- 17 other messages, even if it is at the microsecond
- 18 level.
- 19 I think that the comment is applicable, but
- 20 it's throughout both sides of the interface. Anyway,
- 21 that's just an observation.
- 22 MR. RUTLEDGE: Right. I think in the nature
- 23 of the geocoding, I think the processing time to
- 24 figure out how many thousands of cell sites must be
- 25 distributed a message to versus a local one targeted

- 1 to a couple of cell sites, we're going to process them
- 2 as fast as we can as they come in and not try and do
- 3 any queuing and prioritizing on the carrier side.
- 4 Since this sentence is related to the CMSP
- 5 gateway, I would suggest that we make the actual
- 6 priority based on the importance of it that it happens
- 7 at the alerting gateway, not at the CMSP gateway.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Any further discussion?
- 9 (No response.)
- 10 MR. MORAN: Any discussion on the bridge?
- 11 MR. ROBERTS: Should we change that first
- 12 sentence to reflect the fact that that happens at the
- 13 alerting gateway and not the CMSP gateway?
- MR. WILLIAMS: We did.
- MR. RUTLEDGE: Yes, we did.
- MR. MORAN: We did that, yes. Yes.
- 17 MR. ROBERTS: So how does it read now?
- 18 MR. MORAN: At the end of the sentence it
- 19 says, "...certain messages' priority status,
- 20 irrespective of their rankings in the alert gateway
- 21 queue."
- MR. ROBERTS: Okay. Thank you.
- 23 MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's have a vote on this
- 24 in the room here. Everyone for this amendment raise
- 25 your hand.

- 1 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: We have that? Thank you.
- 3 Opposed, raise your hand.
- 4 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Abstain?
- 6 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 7 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have that.
- 8 Sue, could you report the vote here at the
- 9 table for the bridge?
- 10 MS. GILGENBACH: Twenty-six yes, two no, two
- 11 abstain.
- 12 MR. MORAN: Thank you. Let's go down the
- 13 bridge here.
- 14 Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- MR. PREST: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 2 (No response.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- 4 MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 6 MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- 8 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 10 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. That amendment passes
- 12 with the edit.
- Okay. Mr. Berardi?
- MR. BERARDI: Moving along, and again my
- 15 apologies. In this amendment there's an errant O in
- 16 there. There should be a T before that. That word
- 17 should be to, that the committee continue to study the
- 18 feasibility.
- 19 Again, this is another forward looking
- 20 recommendation, and we believe that again the issues
- 21 pertaining to language have been well vented and
- 22 certainly discussed at length.
- 23 All we're looking to do is slightly open
- 24 that door again so that there is discussion down the
- 25 road so that we can revisit the idea as technology

- 1 changes, as public and political and media
- 2 expectations change and as our operational abilities
- 3 develop both in terms of government, in terms of the
- 4 carriers, in terms of FEMA's role and in the AG.
- 5 Again, there's no need to be quite as
- 6 decisive as the earlier language was, and we'd like
- 7 the committee to consider this amendment.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 9 Do we have a second?
- 10 FEMALE VOICE: Second.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- MR. BERARDI: Yes, and again biannual should
- 13 be biennial.
- 14 MR. MORAN: Okay. And it's the two parts
- 15 too, right?
- MR. BERARDI: Correct. We would be voting
- 17 on them concurrently.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any discussion?
- 19 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: I think you wore them down.
- Yes? Go ahead.
- 22 MR. BARR: I am bilingual. As you bring in
- 23 the alert in other languages, you increase the latency
- 24 of the alert to one population or the other, so when
- 25 you model this, you realize that the more languages

- 1 you've got in there, à la lopatal (ph), the longer
- 2 it's going to take any one language to get replicated.
- 3 So along these lines I personally am very
- 4 strong for English as the primary language period.
- 5 MS. ARNOLD: We have second languages. We
- 6 have Spanish.
- 7 MR. BARR: I speak Spanish fluently.
- 8 MS. ARNOLD: We have Spanish primary
- 9 stations. It does not delay the delivery of the
- 10 English alert because the alert comes to the LP1 for
- 11 English. They broadcast it.
- 12 The Spanish station translates it and
- 13 broadcasts it for Spanish people, but it's already
- 14 gone out to the English people. It doesn't delay it
- 15 at all.
- MR. BERARDI: But as far as the phones go,
- 17 we have the potential for multiple channels or other
- 18 possible modalities down the road. We're just looking
- 19 to keep that door open.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Any other discussion?
- 21 MR. WILLIAMS: Well, I think one --
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Williams?
- MR. WILLIAMS: Thank you. I'm sorry. Kelly
- 24 Williams, NAB.
- One of the things that we talked about in

- 1 our group and I think what Ann is trying to point out,
- 2 the history of this is there was some presumption that
- 3 in some way CMAS would do the translation.
- 4 We historically in working with local
- 5 officials who choose to do so create the messages
- 6 either in multiple languages or if there is a station,
- 7 a television station or radio station, they do the
- 8 translation. I mean, human beings do the work.
- 9 MR. BERARDI: Right.
- 10 MR. WILLIAMS: There is no reliable
- 11 technology, and from the broadcaster perspective we
- 12 prefer it that way; that the emergency operations
- 13 center either create the multiple languages because
- 14 they know what the languages are for the community
- 15 that they're trying to reach.
- 16 If there is a Croatian station, the Croatian
- 17 station will take the English language and translate
- 18 it and make it available to that audience, but
- 19 certainly, you know, how that message gets passed
- 20 through CMAS I think kind of needs to be investigated,
- 21 and I think your amendment is appropriate that you
- 22 have to find a way to get those messages out to the
- 23 people.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- MS. ARNOLD: Would it be appropriate to have

- 1 an amendment to your amendment to include reviewing
- 2 and looking at what can be done for persons with
- 3 disabilities or special needs such as the blind and
- 4 the deaf?
- 5 MR. BERARDI: I will always support that.
- 6 MS. ARNOLD: I mean, just to look at it
- 7 periodically. I brought someone who can translate
- 8 messages and offers that service for one of our
- 9 demonstrations, so I think it's possible to do if we
- 10 can begin to look at how to do it.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Mr. Ehrlich?
- MR. EHRLICH: Thank you. This is a question
- 13 for clarification.
- I think what I hear is the difference is
- 15 when you have a Spanish station or a Spanish speaking
- 16 station they don't transmit the alert in English or a
- 17 Croatian station doesn't transmit the alert in
- 18 English. It's just in the language of the station.
- 19 The point being made by Mr. Barr I believe
- 20 was that when you have to support multiple languages
- 21 you're not only sending it in English. You're sending
- 22 it in the other languages. That introduces delay
- 23 until the next alert can be updated in the original
- 24 languages.
- We looked at this in the CDG, and having to

- 1 support many different languages of alerts over the
- 2 same facility increases the latency, as Mr. Barr
- 3 stated.
- 4 Thank you.
- 5 MR. BERARDI: Understood. Just one point of
- 6 clarification.
- We're basing this recommendation or
- 8 amendment to the recommendation largely off of models
- 9 that we've seen work in Europe and other parts of the
- 10 world, and in fact my very own Black Berry, which has
- 11 a cell broadcasting menu feature on it, they've
- 12 decided to unhide those features and in fact has I
- 13 think even Norwegian included as one of the channels.
- 14 Again, we're not saying that the channels
- 15 are the answer. We're just saying that as time
- 16 progresses we'd like it to be revisited.
- 17 MR. MORAN: Mr. Botterell?
- 18 MR. WERTZ: For clarification again, to go
- 19 back to broadcast for a moment, the English language
- 20 broadcast would go out over that Spanish station
- 21 first, and then it would go out again when it was
- 22 translated into Spanish for those that do it.
- 23 I just want to confirm for this amendment
- 24 vote. We're not asking in our recommendation that we
- 25 do anything now. All you're asking is for us to

- 1 consider in the future when we can?
- 2 MR. BERARDI: Absolutely. When it's
- 3 appropriate.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Mr. Botterell?
- 5 MR. BOTTERELL: If I may, Mr. Chairman, I
- 6 think it's just important that we sort of -- what's
- 7 that wonderful word -- memorialize, that we bear in
- 8 mind that I don't believe this committee is taking a
- 9 position on multilingual. That's a matter of national
- 10 policy and a matter of legislation.
- 11 This committee has addressed some of the
- 12 implementation technical issues that arise and so, you
- 13 know, I don't think that we want to even get into a
- 14 discussion of what national policy should be at this
- 15 level. I think that's probably above our pay grade.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Daly?
- 17 MR. DALY: Yes. Expanding on what Mr.
- 18 Botterell just said, you know, we have had several
- 19 presentations where we did fully analyze the issues
- 20 with regard to multilanguage.
- 21 The text was really meant to do exactly what
- 22 you're saying. Let's keep the door open and continue
- 23 to study it as technology advances as we get
- 24 deployments out there, so I think your amendments are
- 25 very helpful and supports our intent.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 2 MR. DALY: We think everybody was headed the
- 3 right way. We just wanted to be clear.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Any further discussion here?
- 5 (No response.)
- 6 MR. MORAN: How about on the bridge? Any
- 7 discussion on this?
- 8 (No response.)
- 9 MALE VOICE: I move that we vote on the
- 10 amendment.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's have a vote on
- 12 this. All those in the room who support this
- 13 amendment, raise your hand.
- 14 MALE VOICE: Just to clarify, it says
- 15 biennial, right?
- MR. MORAN: Yes. Yes. Biennial with an E.
- 17 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. Did you get that, Sue?
- MS. GILGENBACH: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: All opposed?
- 21 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Abstain?
- 23 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, could you give the
- 25 count to the bridge?

1 MS.	GILGENBACH:	Twenty-six	yes, two
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- 2 abstain.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 4 On the bridge, Mr. Ban?
- 5 MR. BAN: Yea.
- 6 MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- 7 MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- 9 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes.
- 10 MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- 11 MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- MR. PREST: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 17 (No response.)
- 18 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- 20 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 21 MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. The amendment passes.
- Okay. Mr. Berardi?

- 1 MR. BERARDI: Okay. Our fifth of six
- 2 amendments. We'd like to propose, and again I know
- 3 that this is an issue that's been debated at length,
- 4 but we would like to propose that we allow for at
- 5 least periodic end-to-end tests going to the
- 6 subscriber.
- 7 I think that the long history that many of
- 8 us have with EAS tells us that if you look back at
- 9 accidental activations such as my fifth day overseeing
- 10 EAS for New York City when there was an evacuation
- 11 sent out for Connecticut by mistake, nobody responded.
- 12 Nobody knew what it meant. They only knew
- 13 that there were tones on the radio once a month, if
- 14 that, and that they really didn't need to pay
- 15 attention, which is the wrong message to send for an
- 16 emergency alert system.
- 17 We're looking to build on and improve the
- 18 history of emergency alert in this country going back
- 19 to CONELRAD. There's no reason that periodic end-to-
- 20 end tests should not happen, and we've specifically
- 21 left that vague because potentially it could be every
- 22 several months. It could be annual.
- 23 But we believe there should be one time
- 24 before the big bomb hits that everybody gets this on
- 25 their phone and recognizes okay, this is valid. This

- 1 is the appearance it's going to have, and I should be
- 2 aware that if it happens in the future I need to
- 3 respond.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Okay. Do we have a second?
- 5 MALE VOICE: I second.
- 6 MR. MORAN: We have a second.
- 7 Any discussion? Mr. Jones?
- 8 MR. JONES: Gary Jones. I believe when we
- 9 discussed this we left it as to be up to the CMSP to
- 10 determine how this would be done, and it's quite
- 11 possible that it could go to the subscriber level or
- 12 probably more applicable or more realistic that it
- 13 would go to a small subset of the subscriber level.
- I don't think any CMSP would support,
- 15 without them having any input, having a test message
- 16 go out to every handset that they had on their
- 17 network. In the first place, having every handset go
- 18 off at the same time and it be a test I think would
- 19 just aggravate the public considerably.
- The whole reason we constructed it so that
- 21 it was up to the CMSP was not to prevent end-to-end
- 22 testings, but to give them control over the
- 23 environment and when and to what level and what degree
- 24 of participation would be done with those tests.
- 25 So I'm a little hesitant to support this.

- 1 Thank you.
- 2 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any further discussion?
- 3 (No response.)
- 4 MR. MORAN: Any discussion on the bridge?
- 5 MR. WILCOCK: Could I just clarify? We're
- 6 wanting to insert general after testing?
- 7 MR. MORAN: I'm sorry. Who is speaking?
- 8 MR. WILCOCK: It's Paul Wilcock. Sorry.
- 9 MR. MORAN: And, Paul, your question once
- 10 again is?
- 11 MR. WILCOCK: In the Provision 1 where we're
- 12 adding the word general.
- 13 MALE VOICE: Where was it added? It doesn't
- 14 read right if you add it after testing.
- 15 MR. WILCOCK: That's my point. Shouldn't it
- 16 be before?
- 17 MR. BERARDI: I'm sorry. That should be
- 18 before.
- 19 MR. WILCOCK: Okay. I thought you were
- 20 trying to say something I didn't understand. Okay.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Okay. Any further discussion?
- 22 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Let's take it to a vote. Those
- 24 in the room here, all who vote yes for this amendment
- 25 raise your hand.

- 1 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 3 All opposed, raise your hand.
- 4 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Thanks. Abstain?
- 6 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 7 MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, could you report
- 8 that to the bridge?
- 9 MS. GILGENBACH: Yes four, 18 no, six
- 10 abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 12 Let's go to the bridge.
- 13 MR. WILCOCK: I'm sorry. I missed that.
- 14 What was the vote again?
- MR. MORAN: Go ahead.
- MS. GILGENBACH: Yes four, no 18, abstain
- 17 six.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Ban?
- 19 MR. BAN: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- 21 MS. BROOKS: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- MS. DUNN-TUTOR: No.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: No.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- 2 MR. McGINNIS: Abstain.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 4 MR. PREST: No.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 6 (No response.)
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- 8 MR. RUTKOWSKI: Abstain.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: No.
- MR. MORAN: Did you catch that, Sue?
- MS. GILGENBACH: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 15 MR. MORAN: Okay. And the final count is?
- MS. GILGENBACH: Yes five, no 22, abstain
- 17 10.
- 18 MR. MORAN: Thank you. That does not carry.
- 19 Mr. Berardi?
- 20 MR. BERARDI: Okay. This is our final
- 21 amendment proposal.
- 22 As we began the meeting today, I believe at
- 23 least Mr. Goldthorp discussed the evolution from
- 24 static to geotarget alerting. All we're recommending
- 25 here is that in the interim period, which could be a

- 1 little while, there's a centralized information scheme
- 2 in place that emergency managers can maintain a degree
- 3 of situational awareness about exactly what options
- 4 are available with these various networks.
- 5 We see potentially CMAS messages coming
- 6 on-line at different places at different times. It
- 7 may be a scheme that makes sense. It may not. We've
- 8 already discussed other parts of this recommendation,
- 9 a website to list for consumers what devices are
- 10 capable and are not and years and models and other
- 11 specific information, and that is a great start.
- We'd like to just go one step further by
- 13 ensuring that that website or another federally
- 14 maintained website has this information centralized to
- 15 make sure that emergency managers and other
- 16 operational people at the state, local and federal
- 17 level have a quick reference quide to understand what
- 18 areas are active and what areas are not.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- 20 Do we have a second?
- 21 MALE VOICE: Second.
- MR. MORAN: We have a second.
- 23 Discussion?
- MR. PREST: Yes. I've got a question about
- 25 the website.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Who is speaking? Who is
- 2 speaking?
- 3 MR. PREST: This is Art Prest.
- 4 MR. MORAN: Okay. We've got you. Go ahead.
- 5 MR. PREST: This is Art Prest. The website
- 6 will note if a CMAS does not participate. Did you
- 7 mean CMSP?
- 8 MR. BERARDI: Yes, we did, or if CMAS is not
- 9 active. We can do the CMSP correction. That's the
- 10 easiest amendment.
- 11 MR. PREST: Then it continues on. That
- 12 would also be CMSP?
- MR. BERARDI: Correct.
- 14 FEMALE VOICE: And again at the end?
- 15 MR. BERARDI: Yes, and again in the second
- 16 part of the amendment that goes --
- 17 MR. MORAN: CMAS appeared three times in the
- 18 first one, but all those should be CMSP?
- MR. BERARDI: Yes.
- 20 MALE VOICE: No. The first one stays CMAS.
- 21 MR. MORAN: Okay. Okay. So the last two.
- 22 Gotcha.
- Okay. Any other discussion?
- 24 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. No discussion. Let's

- 1 take it to a vote.
- 2 Those in the room here who are for this
- 3 amendment, raise your hand.
- 4 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 5 MR. MORAN: Thank you.
- Those opposed, raise your hand.
- 7 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 8 MR. MORAN: Abstain?
- 9 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, what's the tally so
- 11 far?
- 12 MS. GILGENBACH: Yes nine, no 11, abstain
- 13 10.
- 14 MR. MORAN: Okay. On the bridge, Mr. Ban?
- MR. BAN: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Abstain.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- 19 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- 21 MR. LYON: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- MR. McGINNIS: No.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- MR. PREST: No.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 2 (No response.)
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- 4 MR. RUTKOWSKI: Yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- 6 MR. WILCOCK: No.
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- 8 MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- 10 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 12 (No response.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Sue, what's the final
- 14 tally?
- 15 MS. GILGENBACH: I have for yes 12, for no
- 16 14 and for abstain 22.
- 17 MALE VOICE: Twelve.
- MS. GILGENBACH: I'm sorry. Twelve.
- 19 MR. MORAN: Okay. Somebody snuck in. So
- 20 that didn't pass. Okay.
- 21 MR. BERARDI: Thank you for the time, sir.
- MR. MORAN: Thank you, Mr. Berardi.
- That's all the amendments I'm aware of. Did
- 24 I miss any? Ann? You have another amendment you're
- 25 proposing today?

- 1 MS. ARNOLD: Yes, going back to Section 5.1.
- 2 MR. PREST: I'm sorry. Was that amendment
- 3 submitted before the 28th?
- 4 MS. ARNOLD: No.
- MR. MORAN: Well, we had a process that
- 6 amendments had to be submitted by the 28th.
- 7 MR. PREST: Yes.
- 8 MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 9 MR. PREST: I would object on procedural
- 10 grounds that no more amendments can be accepted.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Well, we're looking on
- 12 the agenda. We have one large thing to do here and
- 13 that is we have to take up the draft system critical
- 14 recommendations on a vote here.
- 15 The vote would be the recommendations as
- 16 you've all seen them in the draft with these
- 17 amendments that we voted today. Nine of the
- 18 amendments passed today and so those amendments would
- 19 be appended to the draft and make it all fit together
- 20 there.
- 21 Can we have a motion on that to take the --
- 22 MALE VOICE: Mr. Chairman, I'll move to
- 23 adopt the report as amended.
- MR. MORAN: Okay.
- 25 MALE VOICE: Second.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have a second. Okay.
- 2 Discussion?
- 3 (No response.)
- 4 MR. MORAN: Discussion on the bridge?
- 5 (No response.)
- 6 MR. MORAN: Okay. We better take a vote.
- 7 All of those in the room, all in favor of the
- 8 recommendations with the amendments raise your hand.
- 9 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- 10 MR. MORAN: Okay. We have it. Thank you.
- 11 All opposed, raise your hand.
- 12 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Thank you.
- 14 All who abstain, raise your hand.
- 15 (Whereupon, a showing of hands.)
- MR. MORAN: Okay. Let's go to the bridge.
- 17 Mr. Ban?
- 18 MR. BAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Brooks?
- MS. BROOKS: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Ms. Dunn-Tutor?
- 22 MS. DUNN-TUTOR: Yes, and thank you for your
- 23 great leadership.
- MR. MORAN: Mr. Lyon?
- MR. LYON: Yes.

- 1 MR. MORAN: Mr. McGinnis?
- 2 MR. McGINNIS: Yes.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Mr. Prest?
- 4 MR. PREST: From London, yes.
- 5 MR. MORAN: Mr. Roberts?
- 6 (No response.)
- 7 MR. MORAN: Mr. Rutkowski?
- 8 MR. RUTKOWSKI: From Berlin, yes.
- 9 MR. MORAN: Mr. Wilcock?
- MR. WILCOCK: Yes.
- 11 MR. MORAN: Mr. Gehman?
- MR. GEHMAN: Yes.
- MR. MORAN: Okay. The recommendations with
- 14 amendments pass. Thank you very much. This has been
- 15 great.
- 16 Let's see. I do have a little bit. I have
- 17 a final thing here. On behalf of the Chairman and
- 18 Chief Poarch I'd like to thank all of you for giving
- 19 your time and energy to this process, and personally I
- 20 want to thank you for the lively discussion today.
- It's clear that there's a high level of
- 22 expertise and experience on this committee and, even
- 23 more than that, you're all deeply committed to make
- 24 this thing work. That's what we need, and we
- 25 definitely appreciate all that.

- I also would like to have a special thanks
- 2 for Judith Harkin for her work in assisting the User
- 3 Needs Group with accessibility issues.
- 4 So the recommendations that we adopted will
- 5 provide the Commission a basis for development of
- 6 rules to facilitate this voluntary transmission of
- 7 emergency alerts by commercial wireless carriers.
- 8 That was the goal, and that's where we are.
- 9 I thank you very much. Have a safe journey
- 10 home. Thank you.
- 11 MS. ARNOLD: Ken, can I say something,
- 12 please?
- MR. MORAN: Yes. Yes.
- 14 MS. ARNOLD: I think it's been a phenomenal
- 15 accomplishment that the staff and the members of this
- 16 committee have been able to go together and provide a
- 17 document and a report like this as quickly as we have,
- 18 and I think it's particularly encouraging that FEMA
- 19 has been so directly involved in looking at how this
- 20 can work and how to make it work.
- 21 I think we need the same sort of effort to
- 22 see what needs to be done about EAS as it works now
- 23 and as it is the main alert system for this country,
- 24 and I would encourage the FCC to consider having the
- 25 same sort of organization of players that know

- 1 something about the situation to come up with some
- 2 recommendations on EAS.
- 3 MR. MORAN: Thank you. I will certainly
- 4 bring that to the management here at the Commission.
- 5 I appreciate that. Thank you.
- It's too bad we couldn't get Kelly to vote
- 7 with it, but otherwise it was a great success.
- Thank you very much. We're done.
- 9 (Applause.)
- 10 (Whereupon, at 1:35 p.m., the meeting in the
- 11 above-entitled matter was concluded.)
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