



# Homeland Security at the FCC

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# FCC Strategic Plan

TELEVISION  
AND  
RADIO

CONSUMER  
PROTECTION

ACCESS

MEDIA

INTERNET

ENFORCEMENT

# FCC Homeland Security Goals

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- Evaluate and strengthen measures for protecting the Nation's communications infrastructure
- Facilitate rapid restoration of the U.S. communications infrastructure and facilities after disruption by a threat or attack
- Develop policies that promote access to effective communications services by public safety, public health, and other emergency and defense personnel in emergency situations
- Develop policies that promote new technologies supporting Homeland Security

# Today's Rulemakings

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- **CALEA NPRM**
  - **Network Reliability Report and Order**
  - **EAS NPRM**
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# Public Safety Actions



- Improving Public Safety Communications in the 800 MHz Band, 4<sup>th</sup> R&O and MO&O
- 4.9 GHz Interoperability 2<sup>nd</sup> MO&O
- 5.9 GHz Intelligent Transportation Systems R&O
- E911 Scope R&O
- FCC/Cingular Wireless E911 Consent Decree
- FCC/T-Mobile E911 Consent Decree

# Other Actions Supporting Homeland Security

- Part 15 RFID 3<sup>rd</sup> R&O
- Cognitive Radio NPRM and Further NPRM
- Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services R&O and Further NPRM
- Rural Healthcare Order on Reconsideration
- Pipeline Safety Act NPRM



# FCC Federal Advisory Committees

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# NRIC

The Network Reliability  
and Interoperability Council

## NRIC VII Rechartered December 28, 2003

Timothy Donahue (Nextel), Chairman

**Focus will be on E911 systems engineering issues, including facilitating the provision of emergency services through new technologies and making E911 networks more reliable and survivable**



## **MSRC II Rechartered March 26, 2004**

**David Barrett (Hearst Argyle), Chairman**

**Create a local implementation plan designed to promote voluntary implementation of the MSRC I Best Practices by the broadcast and MVPD industries**

- Develop “model” documents, and other resources for local entities’ use**
- Formulate any additional best practices that may be needed**

# NRIC and MSRC Outreach

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## ➤ NRIC

- 800+ Best Practices
- NRIC DVD Tutorial

## ➤ MSRC

- 100+ Best Practices
- 13,000 Brochures Distributed at NAB and NCTA and Elsewhere

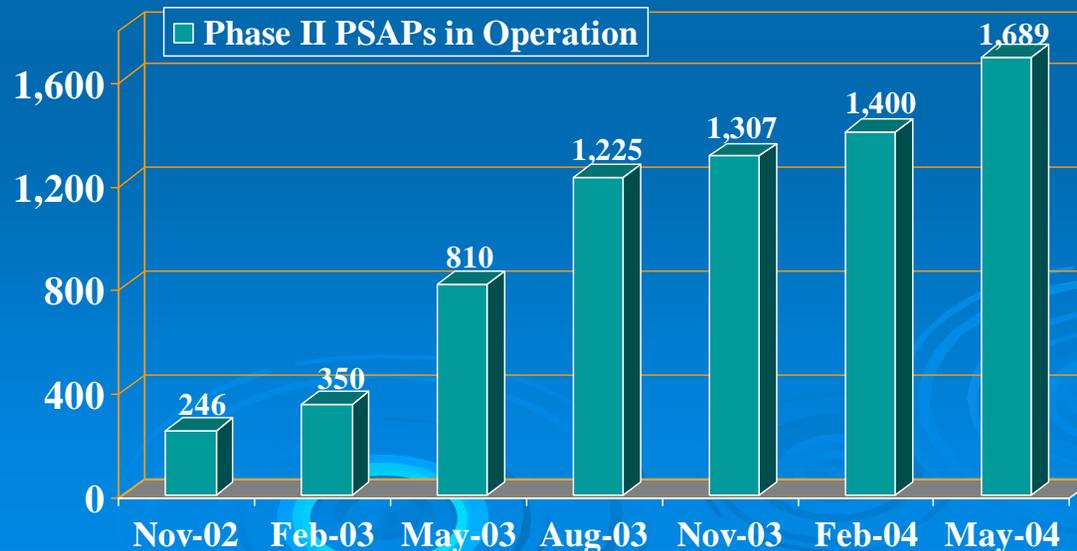
# Field Support for National Security Events.

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# E911 Implementation

- E911 Coordination Initiatives II and III
- E911 Solutions Summit



# Federal, State, Local, Tribal Partnerships: Outreach

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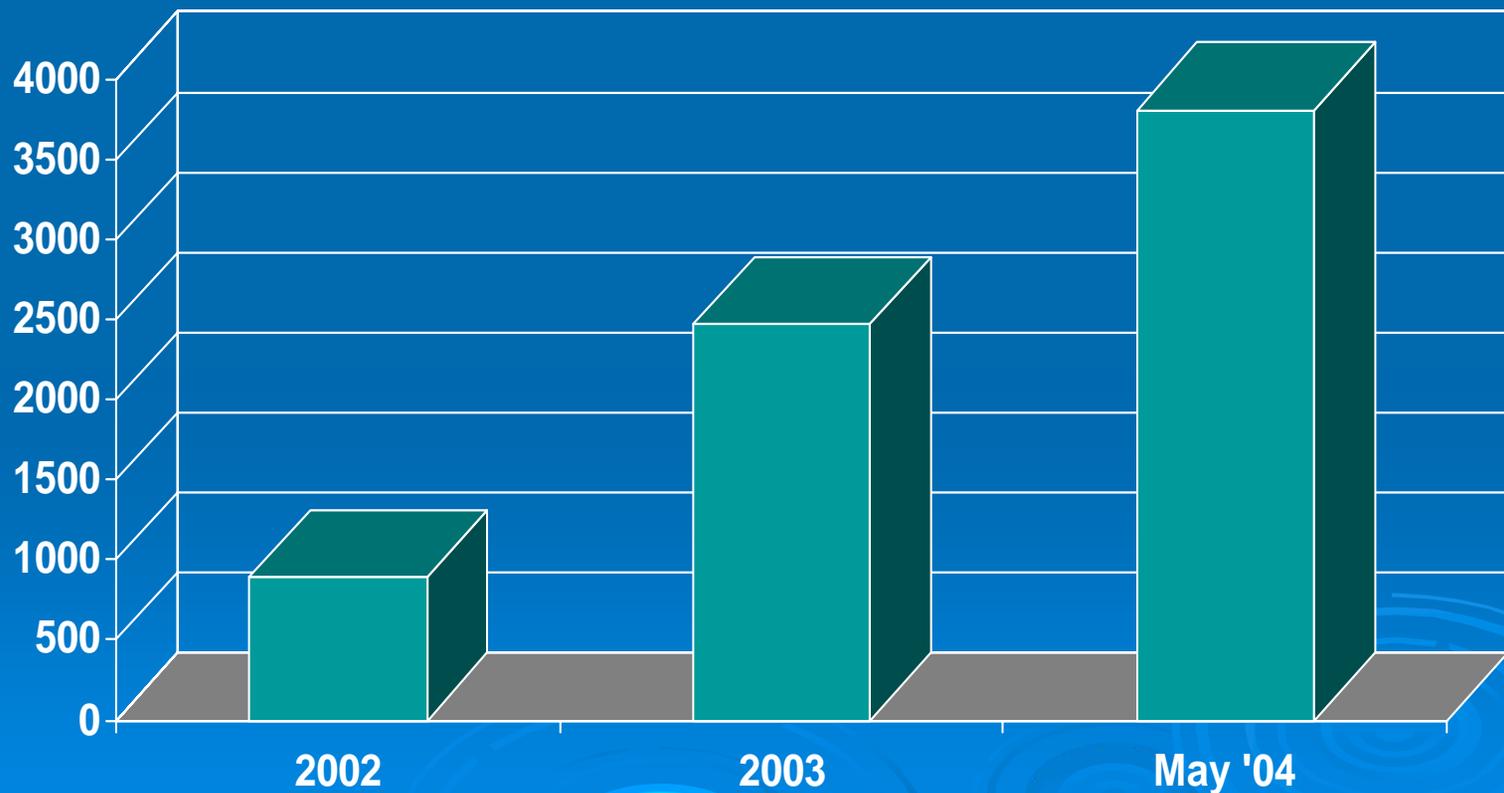
- FCC Summit on Improving the Disability Community's Access to Emergency Information
- FCC/DHS Forum on the Relationship of Media and Government During Emergencies

# Federal, State, Local, Tribal Partnerships: Outreach

- FCC, DHS, DOE, FERC, NARUC Cross-Sector Interdependencies Workshop
- FCC/National Congress of Indians Mid-year Session
- Rural Satellite Forum



# PSAP Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) Participation



# On-going Projects with FCC Partners



National Security Telecommunications  
Advisory Committee (NSTAC)



National  
Communications  
System



- DHS's Project SAFECOM
- President's Spectrum Policy Initiative
- DHS's IAIP / NCS / NCC
- President's NSTAC
- DHS's EP&R / FEMA
- Commerce Department's NOAA / NWS
- International Organizations

# FCC Homeland Security Exercise Forward Challenge 2004

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- First ever government-wide exercise of COOP facilities and procedures
- Approximately 50 FCC staff and over 4000 other employees from 44 agencies participated in 1 ½ days of simulated emergency operations procedures



# FCC Homeland Security

## Looking Forward - Rulemakings

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- Ultra-wideband 2<sup>nd</sup> R&O and MO&O
- Rural Health Care R&O
- Cognitive Radio R&O
- Pipeline Safety R&O
- MariTEL AIS R&O
- 4.9 GHz MO&O and FNPRM

# **FCC Homeland Security Looking Forward - Outreach**

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- **Field Staff Train in NRIC Best Practices – September**
- **NRIC VII convenes – September**
- **World Telecommunications Standardization Assembly – October**
- **MSRC II convenes – November**
- **Pinnacle 2005 – May 2005**

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