WHEREAS, the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet), under the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012 (Act), must issue Requests for Proposal(s) (RFPs) for the building, operation, and maintenance of the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network (Network);

WHEREAS, FirstNet has released 13 requests for information to interested parties, including states, public safety stakeholders, and market participants concerning various aspects of the deployment of the Network and has analyzed the responses in preparing FirstNet’s RFP(s);

WHEREAS, FirstNet has determined that there are viable business models to sustain the Network consistent with its duties and responsibilities to be self-sustaining under the Act;

WHEREAS, the management team has developed and released for public comment a special notice and draft RFP documents, in collaboration with FirstNet’s assisted acquisition partner, the Department of the Interior Acquisitions Services Directorate (DOI AQD), and the DOI AQD assigned contracting officer (“Contracting Officer”) that outline certain material terms related to the acquisition for the building, operation, and maintenance of the Network (“Draft Acquisition Approach”), and they have received, incorporated and responded to feedback from the public and industry on the Draft Acquisition Approach and considered such feedback, as appropriate, in the development of the RFP.

WHEREAS, the management team in coordination with the Contracting Officer has briefed the Board on the material terms of the proposed RFP.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Board hereby approves the material terms of the proposed RFP and directs management to take all actions necessary to release the RFP in accordance with the principles as presented to the Board.

I, the undersigned, Board Secretary of the First Responder Network Authority, do hereby certify that the above is a true and correct copy of a resolution adopted at the meeting of the Board of the First Responder Network Authority on December 9, 2015, at which a quorum was present and voted.

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Elijah Veenendaal, Board Secretary