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WHEREAS, the Act requires the First Responder Network Authority to govern itself in a transparent manner;

WHEREAS, the First Responder Network Authority desires to inform the public safety user community, state, regional, local, and tribal jurisdictions and the public as to how the First Responder Network Authority is governed;

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WHEREAS, the First Responder Network Authority Board has previously implemented Charters for each of the Board Committees, which Charters require annual review by such Committees and the First Responder Network Authority Board;
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the FirstNet Board hereby adopts the revised and amended Bylaws of the First Responder Network Authority as presented by management, a copy of which is attached hereto as Exhibit A;

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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 March 15, 2018, at which a quorum was present and voted.

Karen Miller-Kuwana, Board Secretary
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Pursuant to Section 1424(e) of the Act, meetings of the Board, including any committee of the Board, shall be open to the public. Members of the public may submit written statements to the Board at any time.

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Procedural Requirements

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Pursuant to Section 1424(f) of the Act, eight members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, including at least six of the Board members appointed by the Commerce Secretary under Section 1424(b)(1)(D). A majority of committee members represents a quorum for all meetings of Board committees.
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Notwithstanding the paragraph above, a consent agenda may be presented at the beginning of a Board or committee meeting. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the Board Chair or for committee matters, of the Committee Chair of the relevant committee.

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The Board Chair shall ensure reasonable prior notice of the regular, quarterly meetings is provided to the Board members. Any special meeting of the Board must be preceded by at least two days' notice of the date, time, and place of the meeting, but not of its purpose. Notice may be given personally, by facsimile, by mail, electronically or in any other manner designed to provide reasonable notice. Oral notification shall be sufficient only if a written record of such notice is included in the Board meeting minutes. Notice shall be deemed effective at the earliest of (a) receipt; (b) delivery to the proper address or telephone number of the members as shown in FirstNet's records; or (c) five days after its deposit in the United States mail, as evidenced by the postmark, if correctly addressed and mailed with first-class postage prepaid. Notice of any meeting of the Board may be waived by any Board member at any time, by a signed writing, delivered to FirstNet for inclusion in the minutes, either before or after the meeting. Attendance or participation by a Board member at a meeting, unless the Board member promptly objects to holding the meeting or to the
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A Board member who is present at a meeting of the Board at which action on a FirstNet matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to such action unless his or her dissent, abstention, or recusal is entered in the meeting minutes, or unless the Board member files a written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting. The written dissent must be delivered either before the adjournment of the meeting or by registered mail to the Board Chair, or the Board Chair's designee, immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to a Board member who voted in favor of such action. If a Board member agrees with an action in part, the Board member shall dissent from the whole but identify in the dissent those aspects of the action with which the Board member agrees.

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Revised by resolution of the Board on 15th day of March 2018.
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Notwithstanding the earlier portions of this provision, a permanent member may select an alternate senior designee. For purposes of Board meeting and committee meeting participation and voting, this designee will replace the named designee in this Section.

Section 4.04 — Transparency

Pursuant to Section 1424(e) of the Act, meetings of the Board, including any committee of the Board, shall be open to the public. Members of the public may submit written statements to the Board at any time.

Section 4.05 — Closed Meetings

Pursuant to Section 1424(e) of the Act, the Board may, by majority vote of the members, close any meeting for the time necessary to preserve the confidentiality of commercial, financial, or other sensitive information, including procurement-related and sourced selection information, that is privileged or confidential, to discuss personnel matters, or to discuss legal matters affecting FirstNet, including pending or potential litigation. The notice of the meeting on the FirstNet website may announce the closing of all or a portion of a meeting. If, during the course of an open meeting, matters inappropriate for public disclosure arise during discussions, the Board Chair will order such discussion to cease and will make a motion to move into a closed session.

Procedural Requirements

Section 4.06 — Quorum

Pursuant to Section 1424(f) of the Act, eight members of the Board shall constitute a quorum, including at least six of the Board members appointed by the Commerce Secretary under Section 1424(b)(1)(D). A majority of committee members represents a quorum for all meetings of Board committees.
Section 4.07 — Voting

When a decision or recommendation of the Board is required, the Board Chair will request a motion for a vote. Each member shall be entitled to one vote on each matter submitted to a vote of members of the Board. Proxy voting by alternates (other than as described in Section 4.03 of these Bylaws) shall not be allowed. Unless otherwise specified in these Bylaws, actions by the Board shall require a vote in the affirmative by not less than a majority of those members of the Board voting.

Notwithstanding the paragraph above, a consent agenda may be presented at the beginning of a Board or committee meeting. Items may be removed from the consent agenda on the request of any one member. Items not removed may be adopted by general consent without debate. Removed items may be taken up either immediately after the consent agenda or placed later on the agenda at the discretion of the Board Chair or for committee matters, of the Committee Chair of the relevant committee.

Section 4.08 — Public Notice of Meetings

FirstNet shall display its regular meeting schedule of the Board on its website, and include the date, time, place, and general purpose of the meeting. FirstNet shall provide at least two business days' notice on its website of the date, time, and place of any special meeting of the Board. Business days shall mean Monday through Friday and exclude weekends and Federal holidays.

Section 4.09 — Notice to Board Members of Meetings

The Board Chair shall ensure reasonable prior notice of the regular quarterly meetings is provided to the Board members. Any special meeting of the Board must be preceded by at least two days’ notice of the date, time, and place of the meeting, but not of its purpose. Notice may be given personally, by facsimile, by mail, electronically or in any other manner designed to provide reasonable notice. Oral notification shall be sufficient only if a written record of such notice is included in the Board meeting minutes. Notice shall be deemed effective at the earliest of (a) receipt; (b) delivery to the proper address or telephone number of the members as shown in FirstNet’s records; or (c) five days after its deposit in the United States mail, as evidenced by the postmark, if correctly addressed and mailed with first-class postage prepaid. Notice of any meeting of the Board may be waived by any Board member at any time, by a signed writing, delivered to FirstNet for inclusion in the minutes, either before or after the meeting. Attendance or participation by a Board member at a meeting, unless the Board member promptly objects to holding the meeting or to the
transaction of any business on the grounds that the meeting was not lawfully convened and the Board member does not thereafter vote for or assent to action taken at the meeting, is a waiver of notice of the meeting.

Section 4.10 — Registering Dissent

A Board member who is present at a meeting of the Board at which action on a FirstNet matter is taken shall be presumed to have assented to such action unless his or her dissent, abstention, or recusal is entered in the meeting minutes, or unless the Board member files a written dissent to such action with the person acting as the secretary of the meeting. The written dissent must be delivered either before the adjournment of the meeting or by registered mail to the Board Chair, or the Board Chair’s designee, immediately after the adjournment of the meeting. Such right to dissent shall not apply to a Board member who voted in favor of such action. If a Board member agrees with an action in part, the Board member shall dissent from the whole but identify in the dissent those aspects of the action with which the Board member agrees.

Section 4.11 — Action by Board Members without a Meeting

Any action required or which may be taken without a meeting of the Board (including any permissible amendment of these Bylaws), or of a committee thereof, may be taken without a meeting if all of the Board members or all of the members of a committee sign a consent in writing, setting forth the action so taken. Such consent shall have the same force and effect as a unanimous vote of the Board or the committee. Such consent may be executed in one or more counterparts each of which shall be deemed an original but all of which together shall constitute one and the same instrument. In addition to hand delivery, signed signature pages may be transmitted to the Board Secretary, as defined in Section 5.02 below by U.S. mail, email, facsimile, or the Department's secure file transfer system, and any such signature shall have the same legal effect as an original. The action shall take effect once the Secretary to the FirstNet Board or FirstNet’s Chief Counsel receives the signature of each Board member. FirstNet shall publish such action on its website.

ARTICLE V: OFFICERS, STAFF AND CONSULTANTS

Section 5.01 — Officer Designations

The Board shall have the discretion to create whatever officer positions it deems desirable with such titles and duties as the Board may determine. The Board shall have the authority to select individuals to serve in any such officer positions. The same person may hold any two or more offices.
Officers of FirstNet shall be compensated as appropriate under Federal pay schedules and shall be subject to applicable Federal personnel practices and procedures.

Section 5.02 — Board Secretary

The Board Secretary shall have such powers and perform such duties as from time to time may be assigned to him or her by the Board or the FirstNet Chief Executive Officer (CEO). The Board Secretary shall (a) keep, or cause to be kept, in books provided for the purpose, minutes of the meetings of the Board, and of each committee of the Board; (b) see that all notices are duly given in accordance with law and these Bylaws; (c) see that the books, reports, statements and all other documents and records required by law are properly kept and filed; and (d) sign such instruments as require the signature of the Board Secretary.

Section 5.03 — CEO

The Board shall hire a CEO who will have general day-to-day supervision, operation, management and direction of the business and affairs of FirstNet, subject to the control of the Board, and shall report directly to the Board. The CEO serves at the pleasure of the Board. The CEO may hire (or may delegate to any officer or officers the authority to hire) such employees as he or she deems proper and necessary for the operations of FirstNet. The powers and duties of the employees shall be as assigned or as delegated to be assigned by the CEO. The CEO may enter into memoranda of understanding with NTIA and other government agencies to obtain staffing resources. The CEO shall not have responsibility for matters that these Bylaws assign directly to the Board.

ARTICLE VI: GENERAL PROVISIONS

Section 6.01 — Amendments

The Board shall have power to make, alter, amend and repeal the Bylaws of FirstNet by a majority vote of all members of the Board. Any modifications to these Bylaws that affect the powers of the Commerce Secretary under the Act shall be approved by the Commerce Secretary or his or her designee prior to any intended Board action to modify these Bylaws. In order to effectuate this approval, FirstNet shall deliver any proposed changes to these Bylaws in their entirety to the Department Office of General Counsel, which shall identify to FirstNet whether it believes any modifications relate to the powers of the Commerce
Secretary and be responsible for obtaining the Commerce Secretary’s response to the relevant Bylaw modifications, if any, including any necessary approval, within a reasonable period of time after receipt of the modified Bylaws.

Section 6.02 — Books and Records

FirstNet shall keep the following records:

(a) Current Bylaws;
(b) Correct and adequate records of accounts and finances;
(c) A record of officers’ and Board Members’ names and addresses; and
(d) Minutes of the proceedings of the Board and any minutes, which may be maintained by Board committees. Records may be written, or electronic if capable of being converted to writing.

Any books, records, and minutes may be in written form or any other form capable of being converted into written form within a reasonable time. The records shall be open at any reasonable time to inspection by any Board member for a purpose reasonably related to his or her position as a Board member.

Such books and records will be made available to the public by FirstNet subject to Federal law, formal Congressional request, or judicial order. Records related to Board or committee matters discussed during any closed meeting sessions as described in Section 4.07 of these Bylaws, if any, shall not be made public.

Section 6.03 — Audits

In recognition that FirstNet is a steward of taxpayer dollars the Finance Committee may recommend to the Commerce Secretary an independent auditor to conduct an audit, on an annual basis, of FirstNet in accordance with Section 1429 of the Act. To facilitate audits conducted under this section of these Bylaws, both NTIA and the auditor shall have the right to access all books, accounts, records, reports, files, and all other papers, things, or property belonging to or in use by the FirstNet that pertain to the financial transactions of FirstNet.

Section 6.04 — Fiscal Year

The fiscal year of FirstNet shall be the Federal Government fiscal year, October 1 through September 30.
Section 6.06 — Rules of Order

The rules contained in the most recent edition of Robert's Rules of Order Newly Revised shall govern all meetings of FirstNet where those rules are not inconsistent with law, these Bylaws or prior actions of the Board.

Revised by resolution of the Board on 15th day of March 2018.
Exhibit B
First Responder Network Authority Finance Committee Charter

First Responder Network Authority Finance Committee Charter
Revised, March 15, 2018

Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Finance Committee to review, approve, oversee, and recommend actions (as described below) related to FirstNet’s financial, budgetary, accounting, compliance, reporting, and business development activities.

Committee Membership

The Finance Committee shall consist of at least three members. Finance Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Finance Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board Chair for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Finance committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Finance Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.

Committee Structure and Operations

The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Finance Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Chair of the Finance Committee or a majority of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Finance Committee may invite such members of management to attend Finance Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Finance Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Finance Committee and may participate as appropriate.
Committee Duties and Responsibilities

In addition to the principal duties and responsibilities described below, the Finance Committee will undertake such other duties and responsibilities as the FirstNet Board may delegate or direct and will report to the FirstNet Board periodically and as may be deemed necessary by the Finance Committee. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Finance Committee are as follows:

1. Review and recommend to the FirstNet Board the annual budget of FirstNet.
2. Review and approve FirstNet’s internal budget guidelines and priorities, and monitor compliance with such guidelines.
3. Review the audit process for FirstNet, receive reports from such auditor, and establish appropriate communications with such auditor.
4. Review and approve any material financial filings by FirstNet.
5. Review the material financial controls and Quarterly risk management assessments of FirstNet.
6. Review the program designed to ensure FirstNet’s compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
7. To the extent FirstNet’s financials are materially affected, review reports and findings from the Department of Commerce (DOC), Office of the Inspector General (IG), and Government Accountability Office (GAO), as well as official responses from FirstNet senior leadership to those reports and findings, after such reports, findings, and responses have been finalized and submitted, but, where feasible, prior to their public release, and make recommendations, as appropriate, for FirstNet Board review.
8. Review and approve gifts, donations, and bequests to FirstNet with a value in excess of $1 million.
9. Review and notify the FirstNet Board of obligations, expenditures, investments, or reserves over $10 million and make recommendations, when determined appropriate, for FirstNet Board review of such obligations, expenditures, investments, or reserves.
10. Review the material terms of any material agreements and make recommendations to the FirstNet Board, including without limitation agreements regarding:
   a. public-private arrangements/partnerships involving secondary use of FirstNet licensed spectrum, network capacity, or infrastructure;
   b. roaming agreements;
   c. long-term financial commitments, investments, or reserves greater than $25 million in value or with a period of performance greater than 5 years and all real property leases;
   d. licenses of intellectual property that are material to FirstNet’s operations;
   e. the requests for proposals under section 6206(b)(1)(B) of the Act; and
   f. any other financial transactions requiring approval by the FirstNet Board.
Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Finance Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Finance Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Finance Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Finance Committee's performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Finance Committee, or by any other member of the Finance Committee.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Finance Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external legal, human resource, accounting or other experts, advisors, or consultants, as appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

Nothing contained in this charter shall be construed as circumscribing the authority of the Inspector General under the Inspector General Act and applicable Department of Commerce Administrative Orders or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits, inspections, evaluations, investigations, and other reviews relating to the programs and any other operations of FirstNet.

Nothing contained in this charter is intended, and it should be interpreted to exclude, any expansion of the responsibility of the FirstNet Board or its members under, or violation of, applicable statutory or regulatory requirements.
First Responder Network Authority
Finance Committee Charter

First Responder Network Authority
Finance Committee Charter
Revised: December 13, 2016 March 15, 2018

Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Finance Committee to review, approve, oversee, and recommend actions (as described below) related to FirstNet’s financial, budgetary, accounting, compliance, reporting, and business development activities.

Committee Membership

The Finance Committee shall consist of at least three members. Finance Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Finance Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board Chair and serve at the pleasure of the Board for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Finance committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Finance Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.

Committee Structure and Operations

The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Finance Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Chair of the Finance Committee or a majority of the Finance Committee. The Finance Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Finance Committee may invite such members of management to attend Finance Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Finance Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Finance Committee and may participate as appropriate.
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1. Review and recommend to the FirstNet Board the annual budget of FirstNet.
2. Review and approve FirstNet’s internal budget guidelines and priorities, and monitor compliance with such guidelines.
3. Review the audit process for FirstNet, receive reports from such auditor, and establish appropriate communications with such auditor.
4. Review and approve any material financial filings by FirstNet.
5. Review the material financial controls and Quarterly Risk Management Assessments Procedures of FirstNet.
6. Review the program designed to ensure FirstNet’s compliance with applicable laws and regulations.
7. To the extent FirstNet’s financials are materially affected, review reports and findings from the Department of Commerce (DOC), Office of the Inspector General (IG), and Government Accountability Office (GAO), as well as official responses from FirstNet senior leadership to those reports and findings, after such reports, findings, and responses have been finalized and submitted, but where feasible, prior to their public release, and make recommendations, as appropriate, to the FirstNet Board.
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10. Review the material terms of any material agreements and make recommendations to the FirstNet Board, including without limitation agreements regarding:
   a. public-private arrangements/partnerships involving secondary use of FirstNet licensed spectrum, network capacity, or infrastructure;
   b. roaming agreements;
   c. long-term financial commitments, investments, or reserves greater than $25 million in value or with a period of performance greater than 5 years and all real property leases;
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Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Finance Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Finance Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Finance Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Finance Committee’s performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Finance Committee, or by any other member of the Finance Committee.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Finance Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, the Finance Committee may deem desirable or appropriate to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external legal, human resource, accounting or other experts, advisors, or consultants, as it deems desirable or appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

Nothing contained in this charter shall be construed as circumscribing the authority of the Inspector General under the Inspector General Act and applicable Department of Commerce Administrative Orders or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits, inspections, evaluations, investigations, and other reviews relating to the programs and any other operations of FirstNet.

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First Responder Network Authority
Governance and Personnel Committee Charter

First Responder Network Authority
Governance and Personnel Committee Charter
Revised, March 15, 2018

Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Governance and Personnel Committee to review, approve, oversee, and recommend actions (as described below) related to the FirstNet Board’s roles and responsibilities, FirstNet’s governance policies and procedures, employee hiring, and employee performance evaluations.

Committee Membership

The Governance and Personnel Committee shall consist of at least three members. Governance and Personnel Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board Chair for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Governance and Personnel Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Governance and Personnel Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.
Committee Structure and Operations

The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee. The Governance and Personnel Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee or a majority of the Governance and Personnel Committee. The Governance and Personnel Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee may invite such members of management to attend Governance and Personnel Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Governance and Personnel Committee and may participate as appropriate.

Committee Duties and Responsibilities

In addition to the principal duties and responsibilities described below, the Governance and Personnel Committee will undertake such other duties and responsibilities as the FirstNet Board may delegate or direct and will report to the FirstNet Board periodically and as may be deemed necessary by the Governance and Personnel Committee. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Governance and Personnel Committee are as follows:

1. Recommend to the FirstNet Board governance policies and procedures that will assist the FirstNet Board in making informed decisions in the best interests of FirstNet.
2. Coordinate with management and other committees to ensure that FirstNet Board briefings, FirstNet Board meetings, committee meetings, and all communications are organized, clear, transparent, and adhere to the governance procedures established.
3. Recommend members of committees for appointment by the FirstNet Board Chair for such term or terms as the Governance and Personnel Committee may determine.
4. Oversee management policies and procedures for compliance with applicable federal requirements regarding employee hiring and contractor retention, including the periodic review of duty station assignments of executives and key positions.
5. Seek diversity of FirstNet's management team and resources.
6. Review and approve the compensation of and performance evaluation process for the FirstNet Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and his or her direct reports.
7. Review prospective candidates for the FirstNet Board, CEO, and direct reports to the CEO and make recommendations to the FirstNet Board.
Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Governance and Personnel Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Governance and Personnel Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Governance and Personnel Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Committee’s performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee, or by any other member of the Committee. The Governance and Personnel Committee shall also facilitate an annual review of FirstNet Board performance.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Governance and Personnel Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external legal, human resource, accounting or other experts, advisors, or consultants, as appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

Nothing contained in this charter shall be construed as circumscribing the authority of the Inspector General under the Inspector General Act and applicable Department of Commerce Administrative Orders or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits, inspections, evaluations, investigations, and other reviews relating to the programs and any other operations of FirstNet.

Nothing contained in this charter is intended, and it should be interpreted to exclude, any expansion of the responsibility of the FirstNet Board or its members under, or violation of, applicable statutory or regulatory requirements.
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Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Governance and Personnel Committee is established by the FirstNet Board to review, approve, oversee, and recommend actions (as described below) related to the FirstNet Board's roles and responsibilities, FirstNet's governance policies and procedures, employee hiring, and employee performance evaluations.

Committee Membership

The Governance and Personnel Committee shall consist of at least three members. Governance and Personnel Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board Chair and serve at the pleasure of the Board for such term or terms as the Board FirstNet Board may determine. Governance and Personnel Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the Board FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Governance and Personnel Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.
Committee Structure and Operations

The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee. The Governance and Personnel Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee or a majority of the Governance and Personnel Committee. The Governance and Personnel Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee may invite such members of management to attend Governance and Personnel Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Governance and Personnel Committee and may participate as appropriate.

Committee Duties and Responsibilities

In addition to the principal duties and responsibilities described below, the Governance and Personnel Committee will undertake such other duties and responsibilities as the FirstNet Board may delegate or direct and will report to the FirstNet Board periodically and as may be deemed necessary by the Governance and Personnel Committee. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Governance and Personnel Committee are as follows:

1. Recommend to the FirstNet Board governance policies and procedures that will assist the FirstNet Board in making informed decisions in the best interests of FirstNet.
2. Coordinate with management and other committees to ensure that FirstNet Board briefings, FirstNet Board meetings, committee meetings, and all communications are organized, clear, transparent, and adhere to the governance procedures established.
3. Recommend members of committees for appointment by the FirstNet Board Chair for such term or terms as the Governance and Personnel Committee may determine.
4. Oversee management policies and procedures for compliance with applicable federal requirements regarding employee hiring and contractor retention, including the periodic review of duty station assignments of executives and key positions.
5. Seek diversity of FirstNet's management team and resources.
6-6. Review and approve the compensation of and performance evaluation process for the FirstNet Chief Executive Officer (CEO) and his or her direct reports.

7. Review prospective candidates for the FirstNet Board, CEO, and direct reports to the CEO and make recommendations to the FirstNet Board.

Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Governance and Personnel Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Governance and Personnel Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Governance and Personnel Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Committee's performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Governance and Personnel Committee, or by any other member of the Committee. The Governance and Personnel Committee shall also facilitate an annual review of FirstNet Board performance.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Governance and Personnel Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, the Governance and Personnel Committee may deem desirable or appropriate to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external legal, human resource, accounting or other experts, advisors, or consultants, as it deems desirable or appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

Nothing contained in this charter shall be construed as circumscribing the authority of the Inspector General under the Inspector General Act and applicable Department of Commerce Administrative Orders or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits, inspections, evaluations, investigations, and other reviews relating to the programs and any other operations of FirstNet.

Nothing contained in this charter is intended, and it should be interpreted to exclude, any expansion of the responsibility of the FirstNet Board or its members under, or violation of, applicable statutory or regulatory requirements.
First Responder Network Authority Public Safety Advocacy Committee Charter

First Responder Network Authority Public Safety Advocacy Committee Charter
Revised, March 15, 2018

Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Public Safety Advocacy Committee to review, approve, oversee, and recommend actions (as described below) related to FirstNet’s outreach and engagement efforts with local, state and territory, tribal, and federal public safety entities, associations, and governance structures to promote the adoption and use of the FirstNet network and solutions and services and innovation in public safety communications technology.

Committee Membership

The Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall consist of at least three members. Public Safety Advocacy Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board Chair for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Public Safety Advocacy Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.

Committee Structure and Operations
The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee. The Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee or a majority of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee. The Public Safety Advocacy Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee may invite such members of management to attend Public Safety Advocacy Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee and may participate as appropriate.

**Committee Duties and Responsibilities**

In addition to the principal duties and responsibilities described below, the Public Safety Advocacy Committee will undertake such other duties and responsibilities as the FirstNet Board may delegate or direct and will report to the FirstNet Board periodically and as may be deemed necessary by the Committee. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee are as follows:

1. Oversee management’s outreach and engagement efforts to educate, inform, and collaborate with public safety entities, associations, and governance structures on the FirstNet program, network, and solutions to understand and advocate for public safety communications initiatives.

2. Oversee management’s outreach and engagement efforts to positively influence implementation of the FirstNet network and solutions, based on input from public safety.

3. Review the public safety advocacy aspects of management’s material network and technology plans and Investment Review Board (IRB) recommendations that require review by the Technology Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, and make recommendations to the Technology Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate. This includes FirstNet network and solutions and technology plans that promote collaboration and emergency response coordination with federal agencies to leverage the agency’s federal assets to facilitate the FirstNet network and solutions during planned events and incidents of national emergencies and disaster recovery.

4. In collaboration with management, the Technology Committee, and the FirstNet Board, promote efforts to foster, recognize, and identify innovation and technical collaboration, by and between stakeholders, including first responders, public safety agencies, wireless operators and suppliers, colleges/universities, consultants, start-up companies, and individuals, to support the FirstNet network and solutions and advance public safety communications. These efforts may include, as appropriate, engagement in
standards bodies and engagement with international liaisons and FirstNet replicates.

5. In collaboration with management and the External Affairs Division, oversee and contribute to the development and vertical integration of external communications, including messaging, branding and marketing, and engagement with public safety, media sources, and federal, state, tribal, and local governments.

Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Committee’s performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee, or by any other member of the Committee.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external legal, human resource, accounting or other experts, advisors, or consultants as appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

Nothing contained in this charter shall be construed as circumscribing the authority of the Inspector General under the Inspector General Act and applicable Department of Commerce Administrative Orders or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits, inspections, evaluations, investigations, and other reviews relating to the programs and any other operations of FirstNet.

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First Responder Network Authority Consultation and Outreach Public Safety Advocacy Committee Charter

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9 December 2015 Revised, March 15, 2018

Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee is established by the FirstNet Board to review, approve, oversee, and recommend actions (as described below) related to FirstNet's outreach and engagement efforts with local, state and territory, tribal, and federal, rural, and tribal areas, public safety entities, associations and governance structures to promote the adoption and use of the nationwide public safety broadband network FirstNet network and solutions and services and innovation in public safety communications technology.

Committee Membership

The Consultation and Outreach Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall consist of at least three members. Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board. Chair and serve at the pleasure of the Board for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Public Safety Advocacy Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Public Safety Advocacy
Consultation and Outreach Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.

Committee Structure and Operations

The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee. The Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee or a majority of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee. The Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee may invite such members of management to attend Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee and may participate as appropriate.

Committee Duties and Responsibilities

In addition to the principal duties and responsibilities described below, the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee will undertake such other duties and responsibilities as the FirstNet Board may delegate or direct and will report to the FirstNet Board periodically and as may be deemed necessary by the Committee. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Public Safety Advocacy Consultation and Outreach Committee are as follows:

1. Oversee management’s consultation and outreach plans, including to regional, state, local, rural, tribal, territory, and federal constituents.
2. Oversee management’s outreach and engagement efforts to educate, inform, and collaborate with public safety entities, associations, and governance structures on the FirstNet program, network, and solutions to understand and advocate for public safety communications initiatives.
3. Oversee management’s outreach and engagement efforts to positively influence implementation of the FirstNet network and solutions, based on input from public safety.
4. Review management’s proposed network policies regarding users, coverage areas, prioritization, preemption, hardening, and other material network policies directly affecting users, and make recommendations to the Board.
5. Review the public safety advocacy aspects of management’s material network and technology plans and Investment Review Board (IRB) recommendations that require review by the Technology Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, and make recommendations to the Board.
recommendations to the Technology Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate. This includes FirstNet network and solutions and technology plans that promote collaboration and emergency response coordination with federal agencies to leverage the agency's federal assets to facilitate the FirstNet network and solutions during planned events and incidents of national emergencies and disaster recovery.

4. Review management's consultation and outreach plans, in collaboration with management, the Technology Committee, and the FirstNet Board, promote efforts to foster, recognize, and identify innovation and technical collaboration, by and between stakeholders, including first responders, public safety agencies, wireless operators and suppliers, colleges/universities, consultants, start-up companies, and individuals, to support the FirstNet network and solutions and advance public safety communications. These efforts may include, as appropriate, engagement in standards bodies and engagement with international liaisons and FirstNet replicates.

4.5 In collaboration with management and the External Affairs Division, oversee and contribute to the development and vertical integration of external communications, including messaging, branding and marketing, and engagement with public safety, media sources, and federal, state, tribal, and local governments.

Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Consultation-and-Outreach/Public Safety Advocacy Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Public Safety Advocacy/Consultation-and-Outreach Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Public Safety Advocacy/Consultation-and-Outreach Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Committee's performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Public Safety Advocacy/Consultation-and-Outreach Committee, or by any other member of the Committee.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Public Safety Advocacy/Consultation and Outreach Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, the Consultation-and-Outreach Committee may deem desirable or appropriate to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external legal, human resource, accounting or other experts, advisors, or consultants as it deems desirable or appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

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Commerce Administrative Orders or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits, inspections, evaluations, investigations, and other reviews relating to the programs and any other operations of FirstNet.

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First Responder Network Authority Technology Committee Charter

First Responder Network Authority Technology Committee Charter
Revised, March 15, 2018

Origin

The FirstNet Board established the Technology Committee to review, oversee and recommend actions (as described below) related to FirstNet’s medium and long-term technology strategies, plans, and research and development activities to ensure that the resiliency and operational needs of public safety are met.

Committee Membership

The Technology Committee shall consist of at least three members. Technology Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Technology Committee and appointed by the FirstNet Board Chair for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Technology Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Technology Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.
Committee Structure and Operations

The FirstNet Board Chair shall designate one member as the Chair of the Technology Committee. The Technology Committee shall meet in person or telephonically at least four times a year at a time and place determined by the Chair of the Technology Committee, with additional meetings to occur, or actions to be taken by unanimous written consent, when deemed desirable or appropriate by the Technology Committee Chair or a majority of the Technology Committee members. The Technology Committee may, in its discretion, form and delegate authority to one or more subcommittees. The Chair of the Technology Committee may invite such members of management to attend Technology Committee meetings or portions thereof as the Chair of the Technology Committee may deem desirable or appropriate. Any member of the FirstNet Board may attend any meeting of the Technology Committee and may participate as appropriate.

Committee Duties and Responsibilities

In addition to the principal duties and responsibilities described below, the Technology Committee will undertake such other duties and responsibilities as the FirstNet Board may delegate or direct and will report to the FirstNet Board periodically and as may be deemed necessary by the Technology Committee. The primary duties and responsibilities of the Technology Committee are as follows:

1. Review material FirstNet network and solutions and technology and innovation strategies and capabilities, and make recommendations to the FirstNet Board, as appropriate. Areas of responsibility include applications, devices, network services/technology roadmaps, core and radio access network development, operation and maintenance, open standards development and compliance, cybersecurity, coverage, and network performance metrics, including customer care.

2. Review the material FirstNet network and solutions and technology aspects of the annual operations budget, investment funds or reserves (e.g., network, partner, vendor, technology, operations, standards, research & development, and service/product development aspects of the plan) and make recommendations to the Finance Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate.

3. Review the FirstNet network and solutions and technology aspects of material agreements and Investment Review Board recommendations that require review by the Finance Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, including roaming, public-private partnerships, covered lease agreements, vendor and supplier agreements, and infrastructure leases, and make recommendations to the Finance Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate.
4. Review the FirstNet network and solutions and technology aspects of management’s material outreach plans that require review by the Public Safety Advocacy Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, and make recommendations to the Public Safety Advocacy Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate. This includes network and technology plans that promote collaboration and emergency response coordination with federal agencies to leverage the agency’s federal assets to facilitate the FirstNet network and solutions during planned events and incidents of national emergencies and disaster recovery.

5. In collaboration with management, the Public Safety Advocacy Committee, and the FirstNet Board, promote efforts to foster and recognize innovation and technical collaboration by and between first responders, public safety agencies, wireless operators and suppliers, colleges/universities, consultants, start-up companies and individuals.

**Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review**

The Technology Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Technology Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Technology Committee’s performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Technology Committee, or by any other member of the Committee.

**Resources and Authority**

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Technology Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external public safety, wireless technology, engineering, deployment, operations, legal or other experts, advisors or consultants, as appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

Nothing contained in this charter shall be construed as circumscribing the authority of the Inspector General under the Inspector General Act or is intended to restrict the authority of the Inspector General to conduct, supervise, and coordinate audits and investigations relating to the programs and operations of FirstNet.

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The Technology Committee shall consist of at least three members. Technology Committee members shall be recommended by the Chair of the Technology Committee and appointed by a majority vote of the FirstNet Board Chair and serve at the pleasure of the Board for such term or terms as the FirstNet Board may determine. Technology Committee members shall serve at the pleasure of and may be replaced by the FirstNet Board Chair. Each of the members of the Technology Committee shall be a member of the FirstNet Board or otherwise in accordance with the FirstNet Bylaws.
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1. Review material FirstNet network and solutions and technology and innovation strategies and capabilities/operations, and make recommendations to the FirstNet Board, as appropriate. Areas of responsibility include applications, in use with regard to devices, and network services/technology roadmaps, core and radio access network development, operation and maintenance, open standards development and compliance, cybersecurity, coverage, and network performance metrics, including customer care, and make recommendations to the Board.

2. Review the material FirstNet network and solutions and technology aspects of the annual operations budget, investment funds or reserves (e.g., network, partner, vendor, technology, operations, standards, research & development, and service/product development aspects of the plan) and make recommendations to the Finance Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate.

3. Review the FirstNet network and solutions and technology aspects of material agreements and Investment Review Board recommendations that require review by the Finance Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, including roaming, public-private partnerships, covered lease agreements, vendor and supplier agreements, and infrastructure leases, and make recommendations to the Finance Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, as appropriate.
4. Review the FirstNet network and solutions and technology aspects of management's material outreach plans that require review by the Consultation and Outreach Public Safety Advocacy Committee and/or the FirstNet Board, and make recommendations to the Consultation and Outreach Public Safety Advocacy Committee and/or the FirstNet Board as appropriate. This includes network and technology plans that promote collaboration and emergency response coordination with federal agencies to leverage the agency's federal assets to facilitate the FirstNet network and solutions during planned events and incidents of national emergencies and disaster recovery.

3. Review the network and technology aspects of management's material network policies and compliance there with, including those subject to Consultation and Outreach Committee review, and make recommendations to the Consultation and Outreach Committee and/or the Board as appropriate.

4.5. In collaboration with management, the Public Safety Advocacy Committee, and the FirstNet Board, promote efforts to foster and recognize innovation and technical collaboration by and between first responders, public safety agencies, wireless operators and suppliers, colleges/universities, consultants, start-up companies and individuals.

Annual Performance Evaluation and Charter Review

The Technology Committee shall review and reassess the adequacy of this Charter annually and recommend any proposed changes to the FirstNet Board for approval. The Technology Committee shall produce and provide to the FirstNet Board an annual performance evaluation of the Committee, which evaluation shall compare the Technology Committee's performance with the requirements of this Charter. The report to the FirstNet Board may take the form of an oral report by the Chair of the Technology Committee, or by any other member of the Committee.

Resources and Authority

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Technology Committee shall have the necessary resources and authority, consistent with the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012, the Technology Committee may deem desirable or appropriate to discharge its duties and responsibilities, including the authority to obtain advice or assistance from internal or external public safety, wireless technology, engineering, deployment, operations, legal or other experts, advisors or consultants, as it deems desirable or appropriate, all in coordination with management and the FirstNet Board.

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