

National NENA News

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NENA Course being offered at Arizona Training Conference – Leadership in the 9-1-1 Center to be held on January 16, 2008. Information is available on the Arizona Chapter APCO-NENA Website.

TDC/ODC (Technical/Operational Development Conference – January 19-23, 2008 – Nashville, TN)

911 Goes To Washington (March 3-5, 2008)

NENA Annual Conference and Trade Show (June 7-12, 2008), Tampa, FL.

The Joint APCO – NENA Boards met in October and are discussing expanding our joint activities. A future joint APCO Winter Meeting and ODC/TDC is under consideration as well as a joint Annual Conference is being discussed.

Federal Legislation Updates

FCC Releases Wireless E9-1-1 Location Accuracy Order

The FCC released its wireless E9-1-1 location accuracy Order on November 20. The contents of the Order confirm what was stated in their announcement on September 11 requiring carriers to meet FCC 9-1-1 location accuracy requirements at the PSAP level by September 11, 2012, with interim benchmarks along the way.

[Click here](#) to read the Order.

FCC Awards 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Licensee (PSBL)

The FCC released an Order on November 19 officially naming the Public Safety Spectrum Trust (PSST) Corporation as the 700 MHz Public Safety Broadband Licensee (PSBL). More information about the PSST is available at www.psst.org.

[Click here](#) to read the Order

House of Representatives Passes 9-1-1 Modernization and Public Safety Act (HR 3403)

On November 13, the House passed the [911 Modernization and Public Safety Act of 2007 \(HR 3403\)](#) by a vote of 406-1. The bill requires VoIP providers to comply with current FCC E9-1-1 rules; contains important liability protections for VoIP and future technologies; makes clear that states/localities can impose fees on VoIP and wireless service but that such funds must be expended in support of 9-1-1 and E9-1-1 and "enhancements to such services"; broadens eligible use of federal PSAP grants to include "the migration to an IP-enabled emergency network" in addition to Phase II wireless E9-1-1; and requires a report to Congress from the national 9-1-1 Program Office on the migration to NG9-1-1.