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Annual Collection of Information

Related to the Collection and Use of 911 and E911 Fees by States and Other Jurisdictions

Pursuant to OMB authorization 3060-1122, the FCC's Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau seeks the following specific information in order to fulfill the Commission's obligations under Section 6(f)(2) of the NET 911 Act:

A. Filing Information

1. Name of State or Jurisdiction

State or Jurisdiction	
North Carolina	

2. Name, Title and Organization of Individual Filing Report

Name	Title	Organization
L. V. Pokey Harris	Executive Director	North Carolina 911 Board



B. Overview of State or Jurisdiction 911 System

1. Please provide the total number of active Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) in your state or jurisdiction that receive funding derived from the collection of 911/E911 fees during the annual period ending December 31, 2018:

PSAP Type ¹	Total
Primary	115
Secondary	12
Total	127

2. Please provide the total number of active telecommunicators² in your state or jurisdiction that were funded through the collection of 911 and E911 fees during the annual period ending December 31, 2018:

Number of Active Telecommunicators	Total	
Full-Time	Telecommunicators are not funded with 911 fees	
Part-time	Telecommunicators are not funded with 911 fees	

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¹ A Primary PSAP is one to which 911 calls are routed directly from the 911 Control office. A secondary PSAP is one to which 911 calls are transferred from a Primary PSAP. *See* National Emergency Number Association, Master Glossary of 9-1-1 Terminology (*Master Glossary*), Apr. 13, 2018, at 162, available at https://cdn.ymaws.com/www.nena.org/resource/resmgr/standards/NENA-ADM-000.22-2018 FINAL 2.pdf.

² A telecommunicator, also known as a call taker or a dispatcher, is a person employed by a PSAP who is qualified to answer incoming emergency telephone calls and/or who provides for the appropriate emergency response either directly or through communication with the appropriate PSAP. *See Master Glossary* at 192.



3.	For the annual period ending December 31, 2018, please provide an estimate of the total cost
	to provide 911/E911 service in your state or jurisdiction.

Amount (\$)	\$126,224,104
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3a. If an amount cannot be provided, please explain why.

4. Please provide the total number of 911 calls your state or jurisdiction received during the period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018.

Type of Service	Total 911 Calls
Wireline	955,771
Wireless	5,651,475
VoIP	622,755
Other	
Total	7,230,001

C. Description of Authority Enabling Establishment of 911/E911 Funding Mechanisms

1.	Has your State, or any political subdivision, Indian tribe, village or regional corporation
	therein as defined by Section 6(f)(1) of the NET 911 Act, established a funding mechanism
	designated for or imposed for the purposes of 911 or E911 support or implementation
	(please include a citation to the legal authority for such mechanism)? Check one.

•	Yes	\boxtimes
•	No	



1a. If YES, provide a citation to the legal authority for such a mechanism.
N.C.G.S. § 143B-1403
1b. If YES, during the annual period January 1, 2018 to December 31, 2018, did your state or jurisdiction amend, enlarge, or in any way alter the funding mechanism.
No.
2. Which of the following best describes the type of authority arrangement for the collection of 911/E911 fees? <i>Check one</i> .
■ The State collects the fees
A Local Authority collects the fees
 A hybrid approach where two or more governing bodies
(e.g., state and local authority) collect the fees
3. Describe how the funds collected are made available to localities.
N.C.G.S. § 143B-1406; Funds are distributed to PSAPs monthly based on a formula of a 5-year rolling average of eligible 911 expenses reported by the individual PSAPs.



D. <u>Description of State or Jurisdictional Authority That Determines How 911/E911 Fees are Spent</u>

1. Indicate which entities in your state have the authority to approve the expenditure of funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes.			
Jurisdiction	Authority to Approve Expenditure of Funds (Check one)		
	Yes	No	
State	\boxtimes		
Local (e.g., county, city, municipality)		\boxtimes	
1b. Please briefly describe any limitations on the approval authority per jurisdiction (e.g., limited to fees collected by the entity, limited to wireline or wireless service, etc.)			
Limited to 911 fees distributed to the PSAPs from the 911 Board.			
2. Has your state established a funding mechanism that mandates <i>how</i> collected funds can be used? <i>Check one</i> .			
■ Yes			
■ No			
2a. If you checked YES, provide a legal citation	n to the funding mechanis	sm of any such criteria.	
N.C.G.S. § 143B-1404(b)			



2b. If you checked NO, describe how your state or jurisdiction decides how collected funds can be used.	
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Description of Uses of Collected 911/E911 Fees

1. Provide a statement identifying with specificity all activities, programs, and organizations for whose benefit your state, or political subdivision thereof, has obligated or expended funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes and how these activities, programs, and organizations support 911 and E911 services or enhancements of such services.

The NC 911 Board provides funding of the collected 911 fee totally for the support of E911 within the State of North Carolina. Funds collected were allocated during calendar year 2018 to 115 primary PSAPs, 12 secondary PSAPs for their costs of providing E911 services in their jurisdictions, four CMRS providers for cost recovery of providing E911, 22 PSAPs in grants for the enhancement of their 911 systems, four Statewide grants to benefit all PSAPs in North Carolina and to the administrative fund of the NC 911 Board to pay for the costs of administering the 911 fund. In each allocation of collected 911 funds, the North Carolina general statutes clearly define that the expenditures must be in support of providing E911 services. Those expenditures are reviewed and approved by the 911 Board staff and the North Carolina State Auditor.



2. Please identify the allowed uses of the collected funds. Check all that apply.			
	Type of Cost	Yes	No
	Lease, purchase, maintenance of customer premises equipment (CPE) (hardware and software)	\boxtimes	
Operating Costs	Lease, purchase, maintenance of computer aided dispatch (CAD) equipment (hardware and software)		
	Lease, purchase, maintenance of building/facility		\boxtimes
Personnel Costs	Telecommunicators' Salaries		
Operating Costs Personnel Costs Administrative Costs Dispatch Costs Grant Programs 2a. During the annual	Training of Telecommunicators	\boxtimes	
Administrative Costs	Program Administration	\boxtimes	
	Travel Expenses	\boxtimes	
Dispatch Costs	Reimbursement to other law enforcement entities providing dispatch		
•	Lease, purchase, maintenance of Radio Dispatch Networks		\boxtimes
Grant Programs		If YES, see 2a.	
	2a. During the annual period ending December 31, 2018, describe the grants that your state paid for through the use of collected 911/E911 fees and the purpose of the grant.		



ECATS - PSAP Call Data Collection

Interpretive Services Contract

Orthography Image 18 Orthography Image 19

Graham Relocation-Equipment Refresh

Hyde, Dare, Tyrell: Dare Regional Emergency

Richmond Co Consolidation of primary and 3 secondary's

Forsyth PRI PSAP Relocation: Phase 1 Lincoln PSAP Contraction Project

Martin PSAP & Regional Backup Facility

Mitchell Backup Center Initiative

Pasquotank Backup PSAP Implementation Rowan Backup PSAP Implementation

Shelby Regional Initiative

Washington Backup PSAP Implementation

Catawba Backup PSAP Implementation

Perquimans Backup PSAP Implementation

Rocky Mt Backup Plan Implementation

Franklin Radio Upgrade/Expansion

Robeson Backup Plan Implementation

Wilson Viper Radio Upgrade

Iredell Enhancement/Regional Backup

E. Description of 911/E911 Fees Collected

1. Please describe the amount of the fees or charges imposed for the implementation and support of 911 and E911 services. Please distinguish between state and local fees for each service type.

Service Type	Fee/Charge Imposed	Jurisdiction Receiving Remittance (e.g., state, county, local authority, or a combination)
Wireline	\$0.65	State of North Carolina
Wireless	\$0.65	State of North Carolina
Prepaid Wireless	\$0.65	State of North Carolina



Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP)	\$0.65	State of North Carolina
Other		

2. For the annual period ending December 31, 2018, please report the total amount collected pursuant to the assessed fees or charges described in Question F 1.

Service Type	Total Amount Collected (\$)
Wireline	\$11,464,244
Wireless	\$50,003,087
Prepaid Wireless	\$13,965,069
Voice Over Internet Protocol (VoIP)	\$12,847,382
Other	
Total	\$88,279,782

	2a. If an amount cannot be provided, please explain why.	
3.	Please identify any other sources of 911/E911 funding.	
	None.	



Question	Yes	No
4. For the annual period ending December 31, 2018, were any 911/E911 fees that were collected by your state or jurisdiction combined with any federal, state or local funds, grants, special collections, or general budget appropriations that were designated to support 911/E911/NG911 services? Check one.		

4a. If YES, please describe the federal, state or local funds and amounts that were combined with 911/E911 fees.

E911 funds were combined with general fund allocations from each of the 115 Primary PSAPs and 12 Secondary PSAPs to pay for expenses not allowed by NC General Statutes to provide for E911 services. Examples of expenses not allowed from collected 911 fees are telecommunicator salaries, facility maintenance, and radio network infrastructure.



5. Please provide an estimate of the proportional contribution from each funding source towards the total cost to support 911 in your state or jurisdiction.	Percent
State 911 Fees	45%
Local 911 Fees	
General Fund - State	
General Fund - County	52%
Federal Grants	
State Grants	3%



F. Description of Diversion or Transfer of 911/E911 Fees for Other Uses

	Question	Yes	No
funds collected for 91 jurisdiction made ava	ending December 31, 2018, were 1 or E911 purposes in your state or allable or used solely for the purposes ding mechanism? Check one.		
available or used for any used for purposes otherw funds transferred, loaned the amount, please includ	what amount of funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes were made purposes other than the ones designated by the funding mechanism or vise unrelated to 911 or E911 implementation or support, including any d, or otherwise used for the state's general fund. Along with identifying de a statement identifying the non-related purposes for which the lads were made available or used.		
Amount of Funds (\$)	Identify the non-related purpose(s) for used. (Add lines as necessary)	or which the 911/E	911 funds were



G. Oversight and Auditing of Collection and Use of 911/E911 Fees

Question	Yes	No
1. Has your state established any oversight or auditing mechanisms or procedures to determine whether collected funds have been made available or used for the purposes designated by the funding mechanism or otherwise used to implement or support 911? <i>Check one.</i>		
1a. If YES, provide a description of the mechanisms or procedures and any enforcement or other corrective actions undertaken in connection with such auditing authority, for the annual period ending December 31, 2018. (Enter "None" if no actions were taken.)		
N.C.G.S. § 143B-1402(b)(5) The NC 911 Board staff conducts an annual "Revenue/Expenditure Review" of each PSAP receiving 911 funds. Any expenditures identified as not an eligible 911 expense, the PSAP is required to reimburse the 911 Fund the amount determined ineligible.		

	Question	Yes	No
2.	Does your state have the authority to audit service providers to ensure that the amount of 911/E911 fees collected from subscribers matches the service provider's number of subscribers? <i>Check one.</i>		\boxtimes
un	2a. If YES, provide a description of any auditing or enforcement or other corrective actions undertaken in connection with such auditing authority, for the annual period ending December 31, 2018. (Enter "None" if no actions were taken.)		



H. Description of Next Generation 911 Services and Expenditures

Question	Yes	No
1. Does your state or jurisdiction classify expenditures on Next Generation 911 as within the scope of permissible expenditures of funds for 911 or E911 purposes? Check one.		
1a. If YES, in the space below, please cite any specific legal authority:		
N.C.G.S. § 143B-1406(a)(3) (e1), § 143B-1407(e)		

	Question	Yes	No							
	period ending December 31, 2018, has your iction expended funds on Next Generation 911 eck one.	\boxtimes								
2a. If YES, in the	2a. If YES, in the space below, please enter the dollar amount that has been expended.									
Amount (\$)	\$134,223									



3. For the annual period ending December 31, 2018, please describe the type and number of NG911 Emergency Service IP Network(s) (ESInets) that operated within your state.										
Type of ESInet	Yes	No	If Yes, Enter Total PSAPs Operating on	If Yes, does the type of ESInet interconnect with other state, regional or local ESInets?						
			the ESInet	Yes	No					
a. A single, state-wide ESInet										
b. Local (e.g., county) ESInet	\boxtimes		21	\boxtimes						
c. Regional ESInets			[If more than one Regional ESInet is in operation, in the space below, provide the total PSAPs operating on each ESInet]							
Name of Regional ESIn	iet:									
Name of Regional ESIn	net:									



4. Please provide a description of any NG911 projects completed or underway during the annual period ending December 31, 2018.

The NC 911 Board approved award of the State ESINet contract to AT&T in June 2017 with actual contract award in August of 2017. The contract provides for a statewide ESINet provided as a managed service. In addition, the contract provides Hosted Call Handling services that are also provisioned as a managed service

The Board will implement a State Operated Network Management Assistance Center (NMAC) to centralize network management, PSAP help desk, cyber-security monitoring and similar services as part of the NG911 project. Work on this phase of the project began in 2018 with the selection and outfitting of the physical space for the NMAC. Budget for NMAC personnel was approved and a new NMAC manager position classification was created.

In February of 2018, an RFP for GIS addressing, and routing was posted. Offers were received and evaluated through the end of the year. The State is managing the GIS project concurrently with the ESINet migration to achieve full i3 geo-spatial call routing capability with the conclusion of the NG911 ESINet migration.

	Question	Total PSAPs Accepting Texts			
5.	During the annual period ending December 31, 2018, how many PSAPs within your state implemented text-to-911 and are accepting texts?	99			
	Question	Estimated Number of PSAPs that will Become Text Capable			
6.	In the next annual period ending December 31, 2018, how many PSAPs do you anticipate will become text capable?	18			



I. <u>Description of Cybersecurity Expenditures</u>

Question		k the riate box	If Yes, Amount Expended (\$)
1. During the annual period ending December 31, 2018, did your state expend funds on cybersecurity programs for PSAPs?	Yes	No	

	Question	Total PSAPs
2.	During the annual period ending December 31, 2018, how many PSAPs in your state either implemented a cybersecurity program or participated in a regional or staterun cybersecurity program?	Unknown

Question		Yes	No	Unknown
3. Does your state or jurisdicting National Institute of Standar Framework for Improving Conference (February 201) supporting one or more PSA jurisdiction?	rds and Technology ritical Infrastructure 14) for networks			



J. Measuring Effective Utilization of 911/E911 Fees

1. Please provide an assessment of the effects achieved from the expenditure of state 911/E911 or NG911 funds, including any criteria your state or jurisdiction uses to measure the effectiveness of the use of 911/E911 fees and charges. If your state conducts annual or other periodic assessments, please provide an electronic copy (e.g., Word, PDF) of the latest such report upon submission of this questionnaire to the FCC or provide links to online versions of such reports in the space below.

The North Carolina 911 Board completed the rule making process to establish administrative rules for the Primary PSAPs that receive 911 funding. The effective date of those rules was July 1, 2016. Peer review assessment teams began reviewing PSAPs July 2017.

Call Summary Ahoskie Police Department Alamance County Centra	ent (NRC)	Report Date: Report Date From: Report Date To:	06/21/2019 10:05:07 01/01/2018 12/31/2018	
*	al Communications [Data Collector A] al Communications [Data Collector B]	Period Group: Month Days Of Week: All		
Alexander County E9-1-1 (264 more PSAPs selected		Call Type: Abandoned Filters:	911 Calls Include Abandoned	
Year:	2018	NSI Filters: Agency Affiliation:	NSI Included in 911 Totals All	

		January 2018	February 2018	March 2018	April 2018	May 2018	June 2018	July 2018	August 2018	September 2018	October 2018	November 2018	December 2018	Total
	Inbound	532,448	477,241	527,080	526,745	589,809	590,806	589,640	590,678	588,975	572,022	523,277	535,559	6,644,280
	Abandoned	48,015	44,973	55,114	45,268	51,591	54,146	49,241	49,060	47,651	50,223	45,455	44,862	585,599
911	Abandoned %	8.27%	8.61%	9.47%	7.91%	8.04%	8.40%	7.71%	7.67%	7.48%	8.07%	7.99%	7.73%	8.10%
	Unparsed	13	6	15	7	10	6	14	22	15	9	2	3	122
	Total	580,476	522,220	582,209	572,020	641,410	644,958	638,895	639,760	636,641	622,254	568,734	580,424	7,230,001
	Avg Call Duration	116.0	125.2	115.6	114.8	117.9	112.3	113.7	112.9	114.9	140.2	133.1	126.2	120.1
	Total	580,476	522,220	582,209	572,020	641,410	644,958	638,895	639,760	636,641	622,254	568,734	580,424	7,230,001