

#### Policy Based Routing in an NG911 Environment

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## **Briefing Overview**

- 9-1-1 call routing today
- NG 9-1-1 call routing
- Policy Based Routing
- Discussion and Questions













#### 9-1-1 traffic routing with NG 9-1-1 Definitions

**ESRP** - Emergency Services Routing Proxy essentially replaces the selective routers in NG 9-1-1.

**ECRF** - Emergency Call Routing Function is the functional element where caller location and routing information for that call is stored (think GIS)

LDB – Location Data Base server retains all of the current information, functionality, and interfaces of today's ALI and can utilize the new protocols required in an NG 9-1-1 deployment LNG – Legacy Network Gateway – performs specific interworking functions to support ingress of non-i3 calls into the i3 network

**PRF** – The Policy Routing Function is where default, alternate, contingent, and emergency routes are located. The PRF is the specific functionality regarding 9-1-1 traffic routes

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#### 9-1-1 Traffic Routing with NG 9-1-1 (Wireline and non-Nomadic VolP)



#### 9-1-1 traffic routing with NG 9-1-1 (Wireless and Nomadic VolP)



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## **Policy Based Routing**

- Sets policy rules for normal call delivery and alternate routing
- Sets policy rules for incident based call delivery
- Provides ability to define routing based on operational need
- Requires input from the PSAP

# Key: Policy is based on capabilities that align with operational need

#### **ROUTING ON POLICY**

Realtime Everywhere, Any Condition Routing

#### EVERYWHERE

City County State

#### ANY CONDITION

Outage Overflow Special Skill Resource Available Chicken Switch

REALTIME SITUATIONAL AWARENESS ROUTING



## **Policy Based Routing: 4 Position PSAP**

- Today, number of CAMA trunks, selective router, and the CPE determine what happens with the call
- With Next Gen 9-1-1, Policy Routing Function and CPE determine what happens with call
- Policy based routing
  - CPE has the ability to return the state of the CPE position to the NG 9-1-1 system
  - When all 4 positions are busy return busy, or route call to another PSAP, or place call in queue, or ...
  - When line rings with no answer time out, or route call to another PSAP, or ....
- PSAP has the ability to change routing policy
- Prime maintains policy for entire state and shares policy with region
- Alternate answer PSAP and transfers can be to any PSAP (or multiple PSAPs) in the state
- Not limited by region boundaries
- Policy based routing can be upon request, or dynamic





## **Policy Based Routing: Alternate Answer**

- Today: alternate answer is limited to a single PSAP connected to your selective router
- With NG 9-1-1, your alternate PSAP can be any PSAP in the state
- Larger PSAPs can select multiple alternate answer locations
- Alternate answer locations can vary based on operational need
  - Time of day
  - Number of dispatchers
  - Multiple PSAPs based on operational need





## **Policy Based Routing: Incident Based**

- Can define incident based policy routing
  - Planned events
  - Disasters
  - Local incidents
- Incident based routing can be pre-planned
- For unplanned events, incident based routing can be in near real time, likely within hours





## **Questions and Discussion**



## Next Gen 9-1-1 Components

- **ESRP** Emergency Services Routing Proxy essentially replaces the selective routers in NG 9-1-1
- ECRF Emergency Call Routing Function is the functional element where caller location and routing information for that call is stored
- PRF The Policy Routing Function is where default, alternate, contingent, and emergency routes are located. The PRF is the specific functionality regarding 9-1-1 traffic routes
- ALI DB service The Automatic Location Information DataBase is being used to route calls in a legacy system
- LDB Location Data Base server retains all of the current information, functionality, and interfaces of today's ALI and can utilize the new protocols required in an NG 9-1-1 deployment
- LIS Location Information Server will transition the ALI database transition into the ESInet / NG 9-1-1 core
- LVF The ECRF connects to the LIS to determine location and validates it through a Location Validation Function (LVF)
- LSRG Legacy Selective Router Gateway
- LNG Legacy Network Gateway performs specific interworking functions to support ingress of non-i3 calls into the i3 network
- LPG Legacy PSAP Gateway March 2020