Kentucky to Opt In to FirstNet Network

RESTON, Va., July 14, 2017 – Kentucky Governor Matt Bevin made his decision to accept the FirstNet and AT&T* plan to deliver a wireless broadband network to the Commonwealth’s public safety community. This will make Kentucky one of the first states in the country to “opt in” to FirstNet and bring advanced technologies that will help first responders save lives and protect communities.

"Kentucky's first responders are on the front lines every day – their ability to communicate is critical to serving and protecting communities across the Commonwealth," said FirstNet CEO Mike Poth. "Governor Bevin’s decision to join the FirstNet Network will deliver the next-generation tools that public safety needs to better respond to emergencies, natural disasters, and during special events. FirstNet looks forward to serving Kentucky's public safety communities."

“Fire, police and EMS deserve access to innovative tools and technologies that will keep them and those they serve safe,” said Chris Sambar, AT&T – FirstNet. “And that’s exactly what Governor Bevin will deliver with his decision. The ability to bring the FirstNet network to Kentucky is a game-changing opportunity that we believe will benefit the wellbeing of the Commonwealth’s first responders, residents and visitors alike.”

For more information on FirstNet, please visit FirstNet.gov/mediakit and att.com/FirstResponderNews. For more about the value FirstNet will bring to public safety, please visit FirstNet.com.

About FirstNet
The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) is an independent authority within the U.S. Department of Commerce. Chartered in 2012, its mission is to ensure the building, deployment, and operation of the nationwide, broadband network that equips first responders to save lives and protect U.S. communities. Learn more at FirstNet.gov/mediakit and follow FirstNet (@FirstNetGov) on Facebook and Twitter for updates.

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