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Re: Requests for Waiver of Radio Moratorium

United States Coast Guard

City of Sausalito

Accounting

Airport

Building Maintenance

Capital Projects

Certified Unified Program

Agency (CUPA)

Communications Maintenance

County Garage

Disability Access

Engineering & Survey

Flood Control & Water Resources

Land Development

Purchasing

Real Estate

Reprographic Services

Road Maintenance

Stormwater Program

Transportation & Traffic Operations

Dear Directors:

On December 14, 2011, the MERA Board approved an Additional Radios Policy and Procedures for additional radio requests. The above entities are requesting the addition of the following radios:

United States Coast Guard

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City of Sausalito

These requests were vetted through the Operations Issues Work Group, and were found to be consistent with the above policy. Operational concerns that were identified are being addressed on an individual basis. At this time, these additional radios should not have a significant negative impact on day to day operations of the MERA system.

The United States Coast Guard is a non-member user. On December 14, 2011 the MERA Board adopted a zero rate fee schedule for mutual aid and automatic back-up aid agencies, therefore they would not be charged a fee.

The Additional Radios Policy and Procedures requires the entity to pay for these radios and all costs associated with programming and alignment. In addition, training is recommended for all users before the radios are released for use, based on the end user curriculum approved by MERA. Training can be provided by the entity if they have an approved trainer on staff, or provided by Marin County staff with all costs borne by the entity.

As outlined above, the waiver of the radio moratorium for this request, for 2 radios total, is recommended.

Kery truly yours,

Graig Tackabery MERA Operations Officer

Attachments

Waste Management

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5700 April 28, 2012

Craig Tackabery Marin Emergency Radio Authority 3501 Civic Center Drive San Rafael, CA 94903

Dear Sir or Madam:

The Communications Area Master Station Pacific (CAMSPAC) is implementing a new Facilities Emergency Action Plan that calls for one additional handheld MERA radio.

CAMSPAC currently uses one base station and two handheld MERA radios for emergency and interoperability communications. An additional radio will provide CAMSPAC with the capability to communicate between all four geographically dispersed sites. The names and locations of the sites are as follows: the Receiver Site located in the Point Reyes National Seashore, the Transmitter Site located in Bolinas, the Facilities Engineering Site located in Point Reyes Station, and the Mobile Contingency Communications Office located at Hamilton Field, Novato.

Please consider this a request to allow for the issuance and programming of one additional handheld MERA radio.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please contact myself or David Berghel, at 415-669-2047.

Sincerely,

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April 13, 2012

Executive Committee
Marin Emergency Radio Authority
3501 Civic Center Drive
San Rafael, CA 94903

RE: Request to add MERA radio

Dear Executive Committee,

The Sausalito Police Department has hired a fourth Parking Enforcement Officer (PEO) and is requesting to add one (1) XTS5000 portable radio to our inventory. The Sausalito Police Department issues portable radios to their full-time sworn and parking staff. This fourth portable radio will allow the new PEO to assist with traffic control during special events such as our 4th of July Parade and any future America's Cup events.

The Sausalito Police Department expects that there will be a negligible impact to the MERA system with the addition of this portable radio. Generally, PEO's have minimal radio traffic during their assigned shifts.

Please consider this request to allow for one additional portable radio. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Sincerely.

Kurtis Skoog

Lieutenant, Support Services