

2007 Current Fiscal Year Report: Network Reliability and Interoperability Council

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1. Department or Agency	2. Fiscal Year
Federal Communications Commission	2007
3. Committee or Subcommittee	3b. GSA Committee No.
Network Reliability and Interoperability Council	744

4. Is this New Fiscal Year?	5. Current Charter	6. Expected Renewal Date	7. Expected Term Date
No	12/29/2005	12/29/2007	12/27/2007

8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?	8b. Specific Termination Authority	8c. Actual Term Date
Yes	Agency decision	04/19/2007

9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year	10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?	10b. Legislation Pending?
Terminate	No	

11. Establishment Authority Agency Authority

12. Specific Establishment Authority	13. Effective Date	14. Committee Type	14c. Presidential?
Agency decision	01/06/1992	Continuing	No

15. Description of Committee Scientific Technical Program Advisory Board

16a. Total Number of Reports No Reports for this Fiscal Year

17a. Open 0 **17b. Closed** 0 **17c. Partially Closed** 0 **Other Activities** 0 **17d. Total** 0

Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

**Current Next
FY FY**

18a(1). Personnel Pmts to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(2). Personnel Pmts to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18a(3). Personnel Pmts to Federal Staff	\$50.00	\$0.00
18a(4). Personnel Pmts to Non-Member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to Non-Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Members	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to Federal Staff	\$0.00	\$0.00
18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to Non-member Consultants	\$0.00	\$0.00
18c. Other(rents,user charges, graphics, printing, mail, etc.)	\$0.00	\$0.00
18d. Total	\$50.00	\$0.00
19. Federal Staff Support Years (FTE)	0.00	0.00

20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?

The purposes of the Committee are to give telecommunications industry leaders the opportunity to provide recommendations to the FCC and to the telecommunications industry that, if implemented, would under all reasonably foreseeable circumstances assure optimal reliability and interoperability of wireless, wireline, satellite, and cable and wireless public telecommunications networks. This includes facilitating the reliability, robustness, security, and interoperability of public telecommunications networks. The scope encompasses recommendations that would ensure the security and sustainability of public telecommunications networks throughout the United States; ensure the

availability of adequate public telecommunications capacity during events or periods of exceptional stress due to natural disaster, terrorist attacks or similar occurrences; and facilitating the rapid restoration of telecommunications services in the event of widespread or major disruptions in the provision of telecommunications services. The Committee will address topics in these areas.

20b. How does the Committee balance its membership?

The Council includes representatives of all segments of the telecommunications industry. Its members represent large and small telecommunications consumers, local and interstate carriers, state regulators, equipment and software manufacturers, satellite companies, cable companies, internet service providers, wireless companies and research organizations, among others.

20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?

The Council will typically meet at least twice a year to ensure progress and to consider the recommendations of its informal focus groups, which meet much more frequently. The Council meetings ensure the awareness and involvement of the entire industry at the highest level of management.

20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?

No other industry group is concentrating on the Commission's oversight responsibilities in these areas. Active cooperation is absolutely essential at the highest levels in this highly competitive, complex and diverse membership group that comprises the telecommunications industry. The

tension between competition and cooperation can only be resolved in this manner. The Commission, on its own, lacks the resources necessary to manage the many networks involved in these issues and must rely on this cooperative mechanism.

20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?

N/A

21. Remarks

Designated Federal Officer

Jeffery M. Goldthorp Chief, Communications
Systems Analysis Division, Public Safety and
Homeland Security Bureau, FCC

Committee Members	Start	End	Occupation	Member Designation
Ackerman, F. Duane	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Allen, Catherine	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	CEO	Representative Member
Betty, Charles (Garry)	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	CEO	Representative Member
Bienfait, Roberta (Robin)	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	AT&T VP	Representative Member
Bowick, Chris	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Senior VP Engineering and CTO	Representative Member
Britt, Glenn	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Chairman and CTO	Representative Member
Cavaney, Red	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President and CEO	Representative Member
Chrapaty, Debra	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Corporate VP	Representative Member
Dominguez, Carlos	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Group VP-U S Service Provider Sales	Representative Member
Donahue, Timothy	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Executive Chairman	Representative Member
Evans, Edward	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	CEO	Representative Member

Fonash, Peter	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Acting Director	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Frank, Kenny	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Senior VP and CTO	Representative Member
Gahan, Kevin	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Senior VP - Global Network Management	Representative Member
Gallagher, Michael	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Acting Assistant Secretary - Dept of Commerce	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Gent, Michael	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President	Representative Member
Goldberg, Jack	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Commissioner	Representative Member
Holland, Royce	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Jacobs, Paul	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Exec. VP & Group President QWNI	Representative Member
Kent, Christopher	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP of Computing Network Operations	Representative Member
Kohl, George	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Assistant to the President/Director of Research & Development	Representative Member
Malphrus, Steve	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Staff Director - Management; Board of Governors - Federal Reserve System	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Marburger, Jack	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Director	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
Marzolf, Steve	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President	Regular Government Employee (RGE) Member
McCarley, Wanda	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Operations Manager, Tarrant County 9-1-1 District	Representative Member
McCormick, Jonathan	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP of Tech Operations	Representative Member
McMurray, Bill	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	First VP, Communications Manager	Representative Member

Meer, Stephen	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Co-Founder, CTO	Representative Member
			Commissioner and Chief	Regular Government
Menchini, Gino	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Information Officer, City of New York	Employee (RGE) Member
Miller, Susan	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President & CEO	Representative Member
Moir, Brian	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Chief Operating Officer	Representative Member
Mulloy, Kevin	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President	Representative Member
Perrault, Leo	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Senior VP	Representative Member
Plummer, William	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP - Government Affairs	Representative Member
Post III, Glen	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President and CEO	Representative Member
Ray, Neville	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP Engineering & Operations	Representative Member
Reynolds, Ed	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President - Network Operations	Representative Member
Riedel, John	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP Business Development	Representative Member
Ries, Jack	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President	Representative Member
Ruiz, Angel	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President and CEO	Representative Member
Russo, Patricia	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Schubert, Richard	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President	Representative Member
Seidenberg, Ivan	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	CEO	Representative Member
Strigl, Dennis	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President and CEO	Representative Member
Tose, Maurice	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President, Chairman and CEO	Representative Member
Tregemba, Bob	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP Network Operations and Engineering	Representative Member
Vanderheiden, Gregg	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Executive Director	Representative Member
Vernon, Irvin	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Executive VP	Representative Member
Waters, Jack	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Executive VP and CTO	Representative Member
Weber, Scott	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	VP - Network Services	Representative Member
Whitacre, Edward	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Chairman and CEO	Representative Member

Wright, Fred	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	Senior VP and General Manager - Global Telecom Solutions Sector - North America	Representative Member
Zafirovski, Mike	12/29/2003	12/27/2007	President and CEO	Representative Member

Number of Committee Members Listed: 53

Narrative Description

The Network Reliability and Interoperability Council produces detailed technical and operational recommendations that are intended to improve communications reliability and security.

What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?

Checked if
Applies

Improvements to health or safety	<input type="checkbox"/>
Trust in government	<input type="checkbox"/>
Major policy changes	<input type="checkbox"/>
Advance in scientific research	<input type="checkbox"/>
Effective grant making	<input type="checkbox"/>
Improved service delivery	<input type="checkbox"/>
Increased customer satisfaction	<input type="checkbox"/>
Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Outcome Comments

NRIC has produced recommendations that are intended to improve public safety and emergency communications, particularly E911 networks and services.

What are the cost savings associated with this committee?

Checked if Applies

None	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Unable to Determine	<input type="checkbox"/>
Under \$100,000	<input type="checkbox"/>
\$100,000 - \$500,000	<input type="checkbox"/>

\$500,001 - \$1,000,000
\$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000
\$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000
Over \$10,000,000
Cost Savings Other

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Cost Savings Comments

NA

What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?

12

Number of Recommendations Comments

NA

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments

The vast majority of recommendations produced by NRIC are intended to be implemented by the communications industry on a voluntary basis, and so therefore it is difficult to determine the exact number that have been implemented.

What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?

0%

% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments

The vast majority of recommendations produced by NRIC are intended to be implemented by the communications industry on a voluntary basis, and so it is difficult to determine the exact number that have been partially implemented.

Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?

Yes ☐ No ☐ Not Applicable ☒

Agency Feedback Comments

NA

What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

Reorganized Priorities	<input type="checkbox"/>
Reallocated resources	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Issued new regulation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Proposed legislation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Approved grants or other payments	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Action Comments

Resources reallocated to address reliability and security issues revealed by NRIC.

Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

Grant Review Comments

NA

How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

Contact DFO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online Agency Web Site	<input type="checkbox"/>
Online Committee Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Online GSA FACA Web Site	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Publications	<input type="checkbox"/>
Other	<input type="checkbox"/>

Access Comments

N/A