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DSET Docket 13-01
Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
Division of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications
1111 Country Club Road
Middletown, Connecticut 06457

Re: DSET Docket 13-01

To Whom It May Concern:

I am opposed to the proposed changes to the formula used to calculate subsidies for the seven regional Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs).

Goshen along with many Northwest corner municipalities long ago regionalized our PSAPs. More recently, at the urging of the State, the City of Torrington, Fire and Police joined Litchfield County Dispatch. This change was seen as advantages by all, not only because it furthers continued regionalization efforts, but because the current subsidies calculation made it financially advantages.

The proposed changes negate the financial advantages by not adequately take into consideration call volume and therefore would be extremely detrimental to LCD and its member towns, costing them thousands of dollars.

To make such a change now would violate a trust between Northwest corner municipalities and Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection.

I urge you to re-consider changing the current distribution formula.

Sincerely,


Robert P. Valentine
First Selectman, Town of Goshen