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Pursuant to OMB authorization 3060-1122 , the FCC’s Public Safety and Homeland Security Bureau seeks the following specific information in order to fulfill the Commission’s obligations under Section 6(f)(2) of the NET 911 Act:

1. Has your State, or any political subdivision, Indian tribe, village or regional corporation therein as defined by Section 6(f)(1) of the NET 911 Act, established a funding mechanism designated for or imposed for the purposes of 911 or E911 support or implementation (please include a citation to the legal authority for such mechanism)?

**Please insert an “X” below the appropriate answer.**

YES	NO
X	

**If “yes,” please include a citation to the legal authority for such mechanism.**

*The State of California, Revenue and Taxation Code, Section 41001 et seq., known as the Emergency Telephone Users Surcharge Act, provides the statutory authority and defines how funds are collected and distributed in support of 911.*

2. The amount of the fees or charges imposed for the implementation and support of 911 and E911 services.

*The State of California, Revenue and Taxation Codes, Section 41030 requires annually, on or before October 1, a surcharge rate that it estimates will produce sufficient revenue to fund the current fiscal year’s 911 costs. The surcharge rate shall be determined for the current fiscal year’s approved plans for 911. In no event shall the surcharge rate in any year be greater than three-quarters of 1 percent nor less than one-half of 1 percent of revenues collected.*



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3. The total amount collected pursuant to the assessed fees or charges, for the annual period ending December 31, 2013.

*The total amount collected for the 2013 calendar year ending December 31, 2013 was approximately \$75,714,948*

4. A statement describing how the funds collected are made available to localities, and whether your state has established written criteria regarding the allowable uses of the collected funds, including the legal citation to such criteria. In other words, identify whether your state has established a funding mechanism that mandates how collected funds can be used, and identify those allowed uses.

*State of California, Government Code 53100-53120 (Warren 911 Emergency Assistance Act) and Revenue and Taxation Code Section 41135-41142 establishes the allowable uses of collected funds. The State of California 911 Operations Manual outlines the criteria and process by which qualifying local agency Public Safety Answering Points (PSAPs) can receive funding for their 911 telephone system and approved allowable uses.*

5. A statement identifying any entity in your state that has the authority to approve the expenditure of funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes.

*In accordance with State of California, Government Code 53100-53120 and Revenue and Taxation Code Section 41001 et seq., the Governor's Office of Emergency Services is the authority to approve expenditures and oversight of funds collected for 911 purposes.*

6. A description of any oversight procedures established to determine that collected funds have been made available or used for the purposes designated by the funding mechanism or otherwise used to implement or support 911.

*The State 911 Advisory Board advises the Governor's Office of Emergency Services on 9-1-1 funding, policies and standards among other matters outlined in State of California Government Code 53100-53120 and Revenue and Taxation Code Section 41001 et seq.*



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7. A statement describing enforcement or other corrective actions undertaken in connection with such oversight, for the annual period ending December 31, 2013.

*The Governor’s Office of Emergency Services, pursuant to Government Code 53100-53120 has authority to continuously monitor, evaluate and approve all expenditures for 911, E911 and NG911 services in California. In 2013 policy changes were implemented with specific purposes to ensure all 911 operations in the state are in line with California Statute as defined in questions 1 and 4.*

8. In the annual period ending December 31, 2013, were funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes in your state/jurisdiction made available or used solely for purposes designated by the funding mechanism identified in Question 1?

**Please insert an “X” below the appropriate answer.**

YES	NO
	X

9. A statement identifying what amount of funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes were made available or used for any purposes other than the ones designated by the funding mechanism or used for purposes otherwise unrelated to 911 or E911 implementation or support (e.g., funds transferred, loaned, or otherwise used for the state's general fund), including a statement identifying the unrelated purposes for which the funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes were made available or used.

*All funds collected have been used exclusively for the purposes designated by the funding mechanism in support of 911 with the exception of funds that have been appropriated by the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection (CAL FIRE). While CAL FIRE’s use of the State Emergency Telephone Number Account (SETNA) was not specific to the intent for 911 related expenditures, the equipment purchased is for use at emergency dispatch centers in response to 911 call activity. In FY12/13 CAL FIRE’s appropriation was \$6.878 million with various appropriations in previous fiscal years from the SETNA. The appropriations were to purchase and install new hardware and computer aided dispatch (CAD) software at CAL FIRE’s Emergency Command Centers. In addition redundant hardware and a CAD system were purchased and installed at their Fire Academy, which is used for training.*

10. A statement identifying with specificity all activities, programs, and organizations for whose benefit your state, or political subdivision thereof, has obligated or expended



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funds collected for 911 or E911 purposes and how these activities, programs, and organizations support 911 and E911 services or enhancements of such services.

*Funds collected for 911 services are expended on (1) 911 system, services and network support (2) foreign language interpretation services for non-English speaking 911 callers, (3) PSAP Training and Education (4) 911 education materials and (5) funding for personnel services for the administration and collection of the surcharge that supports 911 for (Governor’s Office of Emergency Services, Board of Equalization, and the State Controller). Activities/services described in (1), (2), and (3) provide a funding mechanism to directly support 911 services to local agencies designated as a Public Safety Answering Point (PSAP). Activity (4) provides a funding mechanism for PSAPs to purchase and distribute 911 educational materials within their local community.*

11. Does your state classify expenditures on Next Generation 911 as within the scope of permissible expenditures of funds for 911 or E911 purposes?

***Please insert an “X” below the appropriate answer.***

YES	NO
X	

12. Has your state expended such funds on Next Generation 911 programs?

***Please insert an “X” below the appropriate answer.***

YES	NO
X	

13. If so, how much has your state expended in the annual period ending December 31, 2013 on Next Generation 911 programs?

*For the annual period ending on December 31, 2013, California has expended a total of \$4,028,717 on Next Generation 911 pilot projects.*



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14. Any other comments you may wish to provide regarding the applicable funding mechanism for 911 and E911.

*The Governor's Office of Emergency Services is required under statute to yearly evaluate the surcharge rate as described in question 2, and makes recommendation on the amount to be assessed for the following calendar year to ensure adequate funding for 911 in California is available.*