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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Alan Davidson  
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Information and Administrator  
National Telecommunications and Information Administration

Joseph M. Wassel  
Executive Director and Chief Executive Officer  
First Responder Network Authority

**FROM:** Arthur L. Scott, Jr.  
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**SUBJECT:** Audit of the First Responder Network Authority's Oversight of  
Service Availability for the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband  
Network (#2024-496)

We are initiating an audit of the First Responder Network Authority's (FirstNet Authority's) oversight of the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network. Our objective is to determine whether FirstNet Authority is ensuring that the Nationwide Public Safety Broadband Network is achieving service availability requirements.

We plan to begin this work immediately. We will contact your audit liaison to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we will discuss in further detail the specific nature of our audit, including our objective and scope, timeframes, and any potential requests for data. If you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 577-9547 or Analee Striner-Brown, Director for Telecommunications, at (202) 893-8759.

We thank you in advance for your cooperation during this effort.

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