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Dear Ms. Wong:

Thank you for your testimony at the February 11 hearing before the Senate Committee on Energy, Utilities, and Communications regarding "Emerging Communications Technologies and Public Safety Networks." Additional hearings will be held later this year to continue our discussion of California's progress in implementing Next Generation 911, emergency alert systems, and public safety broadband networks.

In the meantime, I look forward to receiving the follow-up items agreed upon at the hearing. Please provide, no later than Monday, March 18, all of the following:

- A single document that includes a single chronological timeline of ongoing efforts, next steps and milestones for the various initiatives related to Next Gen 911, texting to 911, the public safety broadband network, and emergency alert systems. Please include a budget for each item. This should include dates for items including, but not limited to, release of RFPs, grant fund applications and awards, major meetings, decision deadlines, contract performance periods, pilot launch and expected result timeframes, and target dates for long-term projects. It is expected that this document will be periodically updated to inform the committee of progress and new developments.
- A copy of the Request for Information on texting to 911 that you said the Technology Agency released on February 5.
- A copy of the \$1.5 million contract with Ogilvy for a 911 public education and awareness campaign and the performance requirements.

- A statement of the Technology Agency's view regarding the line item in the SETNA budget for the Department of Forestry and Fires Protection, what consideration this line item was given as part of the Technology Agency "due diligence" you described to ensure prudent expenditure of SETNA funds, and your agency's recommendation on whether this line item should remain.
- The status of LA-RICS and BayRICS based on the direction you were expecting from FirstNet on February 12.

Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions. I look forward to our ongoing conversation about these important projects that will help California harness the most effective technologies to enhance public safety.

Sincerely,

ALEX PADILLA, Chairman State Senator, 20th District