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FirstNet Board Approves Spectrum Lease Agreements with Adams County, Colo. and New Jersey

Denver, CO - The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) Board today approved separate agreements with the State of New Jersey and Adams County, Colo. allowing them to lease access to FirstNet's spectrum. With the approval of these agreements, FirstNet has entered in to four separate spectrum lease agreements with public safety Broadband Technology Opportunities Program (BTOP) grantees.

"I'm really pleased that we were able to reach agreement with these two additional public safety projects," said FirstNet Board Chairman Sam Ginn. "These projects will provide FirstNet with a prime opportunity to gather key information and share lessons learned with FirstNet and the public safety community."

The agreements between FirstNet and New Jersey and Adams County mark the first step in the process towards restarting these important projects. They each now will submit a request to the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) to lift their partial suspension, and FirstNet will submit a letter in support of that action. NTIA, which is the grant administrator, will make a recommendation to the grants office on whether to lift the funding suspension.

Read the full article at: <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/press-release/2013/firstnet-board-approves-spectrum-lease-agreements-adams-county-colo-and-new-jerse>