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## **FirstNet Hires TJ Kennedy as Deputy GM and Ed Parkinson for Government Affairs**

**Washington, D.C.** - The First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet) announced today the hiring of [TJ Kennedy](#) as its Deputy General Manager. Kennedy is a seasoned public safety communications executive, joining FirstNet from Raytheon Co. where he served as Director, Public Safety and Security with responsibility for radio interoperability systems.

"TJ's credentials and experience are ideally suited for his role as FirstNet's Deputy General Manager," said FirstNet General Manager Bill D'Agostino. "FirstNet will benefit greatly from his breadth of knowledge on mission-critical communications systems and public safety. As a former Utah state trooper, firefighter and paramedic, he understands firsthand the importance of building this dedicated public safety network and the needs of the first responders who we serve."

Prior to joining Raytheon, Kennedy was a Vice President at Science Applications International Corp. (SAIC), where he oversaw deployment of large, integrated communication and security systems, including public safety systems for the 2002 Olympic Games.

*Read the full article at:* <http://www.ntia.doc.gov/press-release/2013/firstnet-hires-tj-kennedy-deputy-gm-and-ed-parkinson-government-affairs>