METRO REGION
800 MHz Trunked Regional Public Safety Radio System
Standards, Protocols, Procedures

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1. Purpose and Objective:

To establish operational policy for use of the **Metro Emergency Management Talkgroup METEM**. This talkgroup is a shared resource that allows interoperability between Emergency Managers their respective Emergency Operations Centers (EOC) and other key partners for the purpose of emergency management coordination.

The intention of the resource is to allow Emergency Managers to communicate with one another and to connect EOCs as well as emergency management field operations until another talkgroup is assigned if deemed necessary. The talkgroup may be use for direct communication on an ongoing daily basis depending on the operation. The talkgroup may also be used for large scale coordination during a disaster to coordinate regional resources, agencies, EOCs, etc. The talkgroup may be used to facilitate coordination between many different partners.

2. Technical Background:

- **Capabilities –** N/A
- **Constraints –** N/A

3. Operational Context:

Emergency Managers and their partners may need to coordinate operations, resources, etc. across the metro Homeland Security region, which includes the Counties of Anoka, Carver, Chisago, Dakota, Hennepin, Isanti, Ramsey, Scott, Sherburne and Washington. Emergency Managers and their partners in the region may need speak directly utilizing METEM for ongoing daily business (event dependent), as well as operations and planning during an incident.

4. Recommended Procedure:

Talkgroup requirements:

☐   Highly Recommended for Metro Emergency Management personnel at the state, county and local levels as well as those partners that routinely work with emergency management.

☐   Optional for Public Safety Agencies

☐   May not be used by: _____

If an Emergency Manager, or emergency management partner needs to talk to another Emergency Manager or partner, the following information should be given
- Their agency
- Identify what Emergency Manager/Partner your calling by agency, or name

It is up to each agency Emergency Manager/Partner to monitor the METEM talkgroup.

5. Recommended Procedure:
N/A

6. Management:
The Metro Region Homeland Security Emergency Management Council and the Metropolitan Emergency Services Board will be responsible for monitoring communication on the talkgroup.