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# S&T Stakeholders Conference

## OIC Industry Roundtable Report

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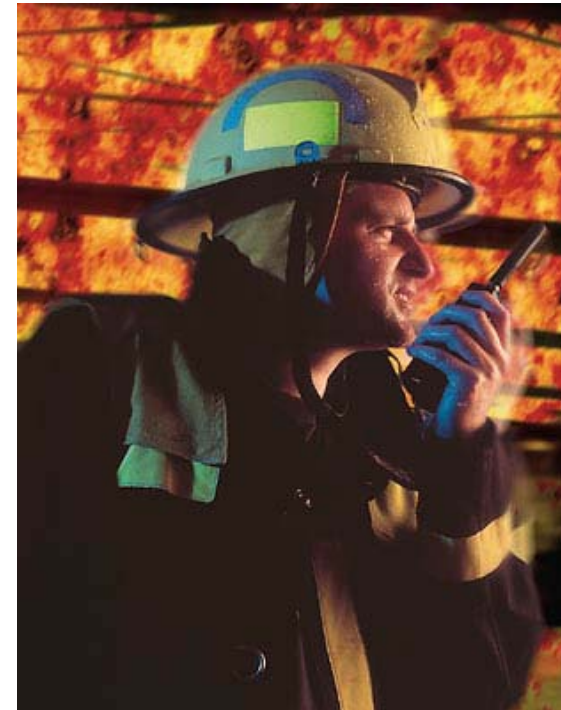
# 2008 OIC Industry Roundtable

## *Objective:*

To create the opportunity for industry and the emergency response community to collaboratively address interoperability and communications technology issues

## *Audience:*

- Industry Representatives
- Emergency Responders
- Government Officials
- Policy Makers
- Association Representatives



# Overview of Agenda

- Three interactive plenary discussions that focused on technical aspects of interoperable communications within a “system of systems” framework from multiple stakeholder perspectives
  - Information Sharing/Geographic Information Systems for Emergency Response: Possibilities of the Future
  - Industry Participation in Compliance Assessment Programs: Building Confidence into Your Product
  - Voice Quality Issue: The Vocoder Challenge
- Participants addressed the necessary next steps to advance communications for emergency responders.



# Roundtable Outcomes

- Acknowledgement and identification of interoperability progress to date (for both emergency response and industry)
- Mutual clarity about operational restrictions and requirements of emergency response, the Federal Government, and industry
- Increased options for interoperability solutions that are affordable, workable, and based on the “system of systems” framework
- Next steps, commitment, and ownership from industry to lead follow-up collaborative events between and among the emergency response community, the Federal Government, and industry
- Increased awareness among policy makers and participants of the unique complexity of emergency response interoperability issues



# Next Steps

- 2009 OIC Industry Roundtable under consideration
- *Roundtable Report* to be released over the summer
- Follow up conversations with industry, government officials, and the emergency response community



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