

State of New York County of Broome Government Offices

Broome County Office of Emergency Services Jason T. Garnar, Executive - Patrick E. Dewing, Director

MEMORANDUM

To: Public Safety & Emergency Services Committee From: Patrick E. Dewing, Director Date: May 8, 2023 Re: Radio System Update

Battalions 1 and 2 (Fire and EMS) have fully transitioned over the to new radio system, portable and mobile.



Deputy Director Neal Haight teaching Battalion 3 the new P25 Trucked Radio System.

Battalion 4 has been transitioned over to the new radio system on portable and approximately $\frac{1}{2}$ of the mobiles have been installed.

Battalion 3 has been transitioned over to the new radio system on portable and mobile installations will begin after Battalion 4 is complete.

The next installation of mobile radios will be Endicott Police Department. As you may recall we prioritized their portable radios very early on in the project as the Endicott Police Department was experiencing serious radio transmitting issues. Broome County Government – Division of Security was the most recent agency to come aboard the new radio system on portable only. The Division of Security was prioritized due to multiple incidents occurring at the Greater Binghamton Regional Transportation center in which Officer's ability to contact Broome Communication was a concern.



Deputy Director Neal Haight and Public Safety Systems Supervisor Chuck Rogers teaching the Division of Security the new P25 Trucked Radio System.

The next agencies that will be coming aboard are:

- Broome County Probation
- SUNY Broome Public Safety
- Greater Binghamton Airport
- Broome County Highway

These agencies are prioritized next as they utilize the same frequency are the Division of Security.

Once we are completed transitioning the agencies above, we will proceed next with our Law Enforcement partners.

I am excited to announce that the new radio system is being fully utilized for our summer events. The upcoming events include:

Summer Concert Series Movies in the Parks

Broome County Public Safety Facility · 153 Lt. VanWinkle Dr. · Binghamton, New York 13905 Phone: (607) 778-2170 · Fax (607) 778-1150 · www.gobroomecounty.com Dicks Sporting Goods Open Spiedie Fest and Balloon Rally LUMA Light Festival



This will be the first time that all First Responders, Emergency Services personnel, and Broome County Department personnel working these events will be able to communicate with one another using the same system.