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Secretary, Standards Council

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To: Interested Parties

Subject:

Standards Council Decision (Final):	D#21-9
Standards Council Agenda Item:	SC#21-8-42-d
Date of Decision:	26 August 2021
TIA No. 1572 to NFPA 1225, <i>Standard for Emergency Services Communications</i> , 2022 Edition	

Dear Interested Parties:

At its meeting of August 24-26, 2021, the Standards Council considered an appeal on the above referenced matter. The Council's Final decision is now available and is attached herewith.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dawn Michele Bellis".

Dawn Michele Bellis
Secretary, NFPA Standards Council

cc: S. Everett, S. Gallagher, B. Chase, R. Fash
Members, TC on Public Emergency Service Communication (PUF-AAA)
Members, NFPA Standards Council (AAD-AAA)
Individuals Providing Appeal Commentary

*NOTE: Participants in NFPA's standards development process should know that limited review of this decision may be sought from the NFPA Board of Directors. For the rules describing the available review and the method for petitioning the Board for review, please consult section 1-7 of the Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards and the NFPA Regulations Governing Petitions to the Board of Directors from Decisions of the Standards Council. Notice of the intent to file such a petition must be submitted to the Clerk of the Board of Directors within 15 calendar days of the publication date of this Decision.



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SUMMARY OF ACTION (for convenience only; not part of official decision): The Standards Council voted to deny the appeal requesting the Council to overturn the Technical Committee ballot results and issue TIA No. 1572 on NFPA 1225, *Standard for Emergency Services Communications*, 2022 Edition.

DECISION:

At its meeting of August 24-26, 2021, the Standards Council considered an appeal from Will Rogers of Rogers wireless, LLC. The appellant requests that the Standards Council overturn the Technical Committee ballot results and issue TIA No. 1572 on the 2022 Edition of NFPA 1225. Specifically, the appeal requests that the Standards Council issue TIA No. 1572 which seeks to revise paragraph 18.12.3.3.

As background, TIA No. 1572 was balloted through the Technical Committee on Public Emergency Service Communication (TC) in accordance with the *Regulations Governing the Development of NFPA Standards (Regs)* to determine whether the necessary three-fourths majority support was achieved on technical merit and emergency nature for recommendation of issuance. The TIA failed to achieve the necessary support of the TC on both technical merit and emergency nature.

When a TIA fails to achieve the recommendation of the responsible committee, the resulting recommendation of the standards development process is to not issue the TIA.

On appeal, the Council accords great respect and deference to the NFPA standards development process. In conducting its review, the Council will overturn the results of that process only where a clear and substantial basis for doing so is demonstrated. The Council finds no such basis demonstrated in this matter.

The Council has reviewed the entire record concerning this matter and has considered all the arguments put forth in this appeal. In the view of the Council, this appeal does not present any clear and substantial basis upon which to overturn the results yielded by the NFPA standards development process. Accordingly, the Council has voted to deny the appeal. The effect of this action is that the text of TIA No. 1572 will not be included in the 2022 edition of NFPA 1225, *Standard for Emergency Services Communications*.

Council notes that the TC reviewed and revised protection requirements for backbone cables and backbone cable components during the revision cycle, which passed TC ballot at the first and second drafts. Additionally, the TIA ballots reflect that a number of TC members support the technical argument presented by the appellant. Council therefore encourages the TC to continuing reviewing this issue, encourages the appellant to submit Public Input, and to continue to participate throughout the next revision cycle.