



August 4, 2025

The Honorable Arielle Roth
Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information
National Telecommunications and Information Administration
U.S. Department of Commerce
1401 Constitution Avenue, NW
Washington, D.C. 20230

Dear Assistant Secretary Roth:

Congratulations on your confirmation by the U.S Senate to serve as Assistant Secretary of Commerce for Communications and Information and Administrator of the National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA).

APCO International is the world's oldest and largest organization of public safety communications professionals, with a 42,000+ membership that includes those who manage, operate, build and support public safety communications systems for law enforcement, fire, emergency medical and other public safety agencies. We look forward to working with you on public safety priorities, including the deployment of Next Generation 9-1-1, effective management of spectrum resources, and supporting the mission and reauthorization of the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet). We remain fully committed to FirstNet as a single, unified network with the independent board leading the way.

We are confident that under your leadership, NTIA will remain a strong partner for public safety, helping to ensure our nation's first responders have the technology they need to protect and serve our communities.

We wish you success in your new role and stand ready to assist you in our shared mission to advance public safety communications.

Sincerely,

Mel Maier
CEO and Executive Director
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