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**63H-7-103 Definitions.**

As used in this chapter:

- (1) "Authority" means the Utah Communications Authority, an independent state agency created in Section 67H-7-201.
- (2) "Board" means the Utah Communications Authority Board created in Section 67H-7-203.
- (3) "Bonds" means bonds, notes, certificates, debentures, contracts, lease purchase agreements, or other evidences of indebtedness or borrowing issued or incurred by the authority pursuant to this chapter.
- (4) "Communications network" means:
  - (a) a regional or statewide public safety governmental communications network and related facilities, including real property, improvements, and equipment necessary for the acquisition, construction, and operation of the services and facilities; and
  - (b) 911 emergency services, including radio communications, microwave connectivity, FirstNet coordination, and computer aided dispatch system.
- (5) "FirstNet" means the First Responder Network Authority created by Congress in the Middle Class Tax Relief and Job Creation Act of 2012.
- (6) "Lease" means any lease, lease purchase, sublease, operating, management, or similar agreement.
- (7) "Local entity" means a county, city, town, local district, special service district, or interlocal entity created under Title 11, Chapter 13, Interlocal Cooperation Act.
- (8) "Member" means a public agency which:
  - (a) adopts a membership resolution to be included within the authority; and
  - (b) submits an originally executed copy of an authorizing resolution to the authority's office.
- (9) "Member representative" means a person or that person's designee appointed by the governing body of each member.
- (10) "Public agency" means any political subdivision of the state, including cities, towns, counties, school districts, local districts, and special service districts, dispatched by a public safety answering point.
- (11) "Public safety answering point" means an organization, entity, or combination of entities which have joined together to form a central answering point for the receipt, management, and dissemination to the proper responding agency, of emergency and nonemergency communications, including 911 communications, police, fire, emergency medical, transportation, parks, wildlife, corrections, and any other governmental communications.
- (12) "State" means the state of Utah.
- (13) "State representative" means the six appointees of the governor or their designees and the Utah State Treasurer or his designee.