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Andrew Seybold has been involved in Public Safety and Public Safety Communications for more than 40 years, starting as a first responder and then working with RCA Mobile Communications, General Electric Communications, Biocom (where he helped develop the first paramedic radio for sending voice and EKG from an incident to a hospital), and Motorola. In 1981, he began his career as a consultant, educator, and writer.

For the past four years, Mr. Seybold has been volunteering his time and efforts to the Public Safety community in its quest to build a nationwide, interoperable broadband communications network, and has worked closely with the Public Safety Spectrum Trust, The Public Safety Alliance, the Major City Chiefs Association, APCO, The International Chiefs of Police, the National Sheriff's Association, and other organizations.

Mr. Seybold works with both Public Safety and the commercial sector on wireless communications issues and is one of the few individuals who are conversant with existing Public Safety communications as well as the commercial technologies including second, third and fourth-generation commercial systems, handsets, chipsets, and back-end systems. Mr. Seybold has contacts within many of the organizations and companies that will be working together to form public/private partnerships in both the major metro areas and in rural America. Mr. Seybold has extensive contacts and relationships with all of the major commercial network vendors, operators, and device manufacturers, with Public Safety, and with many of the smaller rural telephone and utility companies that are potential partners for Public Safety to help provide broadband coverage across the United States.

Currently Mr. Seybold holds the following positions within the Public Safety community:

Communications advisor to:

- The National Sheriffs Association (NSA)

- The International Association of Chiefs of Police (IACP)

In addition he serves on the following:

- Vice-Chairman of the APCO Broadband Committee

- Co-Chairman of the Waiver Recipients Interoperability Committee

- Several National Public Safety Telecommunications Council including:

 - Voice over LTE

 - Mission Critical Voice Requirements

 - T-Band Spectrum Committee

For his work on behalf of the Public Safety community, Mr. Seybold has received the following recognition:

- Radio Club of America, Sarnoff Citation (Mr. Seybold is a board member and a Fellow of the Radio club)

- APCO: The President's Award and Special Partnership Recognition Award.

- National Public Safety Telecommunications Council (NPSTC) Special Recognition Award

- National Sheriffs' Association (NSA) Presidents Award

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Mr. Seybold has been a licensed amateur radio operator for more than 50 years, is a member of the ARRL, and has held various positions within the Amateur Radio Emergency Services organization including Emergency Coordinator. He has a long established relationship with Cal-Fire and has served as a liaison between Cal-Fire and the amateur radio community. He is a long-standing member of APCO, and is a member and Fellow in the Radio Club of America. In November of 2010, Mr. Seybold was honored with the RCA Sarnoff award for his contributions in the field of wireless communications, and he was nominated for induction into the Wireless Hall of Fame. In early 2011 he was chosen as the Co-Chair for the newly formed APCO Broadband Committee and has been active in formulating that committee's creation and early recommendation to the APCO Board of Directors. He is also the National Sheriff's Association representative on the Public Safety Advisory Council for the FCC's Emergency Response Interoperability Center.

The Andrew Seybold Wireless University, held twice a year prior to the CTIA conferences, is now in its 16th year, and his annual Wireless Dinner will celebrate its 21st year at CES in Las Vegas in January 2011. He writes his own e-newsletters including his *COMMENTARY, TELL IT LIKE IT IS* blog, and *PUBLIC SAFETY ADVOCATE*. He also writes for *Forbes.com*, *Fierce Wireless*, *Fierce Mobile Content*, *Wireless Week*, *Mobile Enterprise Magazine*, and *Urgent Communications*, and has authored three books.