

## Positioning of NENA NG9-1-1 Evaluation and Testing Activities

	<u><a href="#">Future Path Plan Compliance Process (FPP compliance)</a></u>	<u><a href="#">NG9-1-1 Industry Collaboration Events (ICE)</a></u>	<u><a href="#">NG9-1-1 Product Certification</a></u>	<u><a href="#">Beta</a></u>	<u><a href="#">First Office Application (FOA)</a></u>
<b>Status</b>	Available	First event completed, subsequent events in planning	Still in concept phase	Planning	TBD
<b>What gets evaluated</b>	Product plans and/or architectures	Products	Products	Specific configurations of the NG9-1-1 System specified by the customer	Specific configurations of the NG9-1-1 System specified by the customer
<b>Appropriate at what phase of product dev. cycle</b>	Product concept phase. Prior to development investment	Early prototypes to production-ready products	Production products	Production products, test environment at customer	Production products, production customer environment
<b>Format</b>	Vendor submits product plans to a group of independent expert reviewers	Vendors test the interoperability of their products with those from other vendors	Vendors submit their products to a rigorous test suite.	Customer invites selected vendors to participate	Customer invites selected vendors to participate
<b>Results</b>	Experts score the vendor plan and determine if the planned products are compliant, conditionally compliant or not compliant.	Vendors determine how interoperable their products are and use this information to guide product development	Products that pass the testing are certified. Those that don't pass are not.	Summarized results available publicly	Summarized results available publicly
<b>External reporting</b>	Positive results are published if the vendor desires such publication, and vendors are free to market the fact that the plan s FPP compliant	Only summary results of the overall event are published. Feedback to the standards groups is also gathered and delivered	NENA and the vendor publish & promote products that are certified	See above	See above

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<b>Role of technical standards</b>	Submissions are evaluated for compliance with the five FPP criteria, using the appropriate NENA standards, or other applicable documentation.	All standards currently available, even in draft form, are used. These include standards developed in NENA Tech committees and other SDOs including IETF, TIA, ATIS?ESIF, etc.	All final standards. These include standards developed in NENA Tech committees and other SDOs including IETF, TIA, ATIS?ESIF, etc.	All final standards. These include standards developed in NENA Tech committees and other SDOs including IETF, TIA, ATIS?ESIF, etc.	All final standards. These include standards developed in NENA Tech committees and other SDOs including IETF, TIA, ATIS?ESIF, etc.
<b>Role of operational standards</b>	N/A	N/A	N/A	All operational standards will be exercised	All operational standards will be exercised
<b>Governing Body</b>	NENA sponsors this program and it is governed and delivered via the NENA Tech & Ops Committees	NENA sponsors this program. It is managed by a Steering Committee made up of a broad cross section of industry stakeholders	TBD	Customer and NENA	Customer and NENA

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<b>Relationship between Programs</b>	FPP compliance has no prerequisites, however, it is a component of the Certification Program	ICE has no prerequisites and is not the prerequisite of any other program	Certification includes FPP Compliance but it is not a prerequisite of any other program	Builds on previous programs	Builds on previous programs