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Three Minnesota ECCs go live with TMA's Automated Secure Alarm Protocol

ASAP-to-PSAP service streamlines communication and saves lives

May 24, 2022, McLean, VA – The Monitoring Association (TMA) welcomed three new U.S.-based PSAP/Emergency Communication Centers (ECC) to its ASAP-to-PSAP service in early May. The City of Bloomington, MN; Dakota County, MN; and Rice-Steele Counties, MN respectively became the 105th, 106th, and 107th Emergency Communications Centers in the United States and the 3rd, 4th and 5th agencies in the state of Minnesota to implement the Automated Secure Alarm Protocol (ASAP-to-PSAP). The City of Bloomington went live on Tuesday, May 3, 2022; Dakota County went live on Wednesday, May 4, 2022; and Rice-Steele Counties went live on Thursday, May 5, 2022. Launched in 2011 as a public-private partnership, TMA's ASAP service is designed to increase the accuracy and efficiency of calls for service from alarm companies to Emergency Communication Centers (ECCs).

"TMA's ASAP-to-PSAP service has added 21 ECCs in the last twelve months. The rate of adoption is rapidly increasing across the U.S.," stated TMA President Morgan Hertel. "The recent addition of major metropolitan cities like Atlanta and Denver is a testament to the protocol's high level of effectiveness and efficiency in life-saving scenarios. ASAP-to-PSAP now services 12% of the U.S. population."

Each PSAP went live with Vector Security; Rapid Response Monitoring; Guardian Protection; Security Central; Quick Response, Stanley Security; United Central Control; Tyco (Johnson Controls); Protection One; Brinks; Affiliated Monitoring; Vivint; National Monitoring Center; and ADT.

Learn more about TMA's ASAP service online at www.tma.us/asap/.

About The Monitoring Association

The Monitoring Association (TMA), formerly the Central Station Alarm Association (CSAA), is an internationally-recognized non-profit trade association that represents professional monitoring companies, security systems integrators, and providers of products and services to the industry. Incorporated in 1950, TMA represents its members before Congress and regulatory agencies on the local, state and federal levels, and other authorities having jurisdiction (AHJs) over the industry. Learn more online at https://tma.us/about-tma/.

About TMA's ASAP Service

Launched in 2011 as a public-private partnership, TMA's Automated Secure Alarm Protocol (ASAP) service is designed to increase the accuracy and efficiency of calls for service from alarm companies to PSAPs. The ASAP service utilizes ANSI standard protocols developed cooperatively by the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) and The Monitoring Association (TMA).