# REQUEST FOR RECORDS DISPOSITION AUTHORITY

**To:** NATIONAL ARCHIVES & RECORDS ADMINISTRATION  
8601 ADELPHI ROAD, COLLEGE PARK, MID 20740-6001

**FROM (Agency or establishment):**  
Department of Homeland Security

**MAJOR SUB DIVISION:**  
National Protection and Programs Directorate

**MINOR SUBDIVISION:**  
National Coordinating Center for Telecommunications

**DATE RECEIVED:** 5/16/07

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1. **ITEM NO**  
2. **DESCRIPTION OF ITEM AND PROPOSED DISPOSITION**
   
See attached sheet(s) for: Priority Telecommunications System (PTS)

**AGENCY CERTIFICATION**

I hereby certify that I am authorized to act for this agency in matters pertaining to the disposition of its records and that the records proposed for disposal on the attached page(s) are not needed now for the business of this agency or will not be needed after the retention periods specified; and that written concurrence from the General Accounting Office, under the provisions of Title 8 the GAO Manual for Guidance of Federal Agencies,

- is not required  
- is attached; or
- has been requested.

**DATE** 5/7/07  
**SIGNATURE OF AGENCY REPRESENTATIVE**  
Kathleen A. Schultz  
**TITLE** Senior Records Officer

**ACTION TAKEN**

9 GRS OR SUPERSEDED JOB CITATION

10 ACTION TAKEN (NARA USE ONLY)

**STANDARD FORM 115 (REV. 3-91)**
PREVIOUS EDITION NOT USABLE  
PRESCRIBED BY NARA 36 CFR 1228
The Priority Telecommunications System (PTS) was established to give National Security and Emergency Preparedness (NS/EP) users priority authorization for provisioning and restoration of telecommunications services that are vital to coordinating and responding to crisis. These NS/EP services are critical to the maintenance of a state of readiness or the response to, and management of, any event or crisis which causes, or could cause, personal harm to the population, damage to property, or threaten the security of the United States.

The PTS is an Automated Information System (AIS). It will provide support to the Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) Program Office. The system will allow the priority provisioning and restoration of NS/EP telecommunications services. It will also track TSP code requests from receipt to completion, identify duplicate requests, ensure consistency in responses, reduce the time in processing requests, facilitate reporting and reviews, and improve customer service.

The TSP Program was established by Title 47, CFR, Part 64, Appendix A, "Telecommunications Service Priority (TSP) System for National Security Emergency Preparedness (NSEP)", FCC Report and Order 88-341, and Executive Order 12472, "Assignment of National Security and Emergency Preparedness Telecommunications Functions". This system was created as an automated system for managing the program.

**Item 1**

**Master File / Data:**

Data maintained within the system includes, Federal Information Processing Standards (FIPS) Code, organization type (Federal, State, Local Government or Private Industry), address and phone number of organizations. Other information includes circuit id's, locations of circuits, dates of service requested, information pertaining to the requestor such as name, phone numbers, and address, email address, title and the organization names.

This information is used to establish the criteria by which the provisioning and/or restoration priorities are determined. Once the criteria have been established, a random code is generated along with the provisioning and/or restoration priority level which facilitates the restoration of and/or installation of critical telecommunications.
services.