



CEN TC278 (ITS) WG15 eSafety

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To

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3GPP TSG-SA**

Title: LS on eCall initiation signalling
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CEN TC278 thanks 3GPP TSG-SA for its informative LS concerning eCall initiation signalling.

After careful consideration of the user community requirements, we wish to advise our paired telecommunications Standards expert groups, ETSI TC MSG, and 3GPP, that in respect of eCall initiation signalling, for operational reasons, the recently proposed update to eCall in-band modem specifications using IVS-initiated signalling is the clearly preferred prime method of operation for Pan European eCall. As you note in your LS, this IVS initiated signalling is referred to as 'push mode'.

However, the PSAP always has the option to instigate the 'pull' mode, as specified in 3GPP Release 8, in order to trigger a subsequent transmission of an eCall.

We also take this opportunity to stress again to our colleagues in ETSI TC MSG and 3GPP, that in order for the successful operation of eCall, it is also most important that MNO's upgrade their networks at the earliest opportunity, to enable the eCall flag to be recognised.

We look forward to the implementation of both the 'push' and 'pull' modes of operation, to be specified in the 3GPP deliverables, at the earliest opportunity.

Of course, as every day that passes before the implementation of eCall carries its toll of dead and injured, your attention to this issue as a matter of priority would be appreciated.

Sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Bob Williams". Below the signature is a horizontal line, and underneath that line, the date "Sep 09." is written in smaller handwriting.

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