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The police department of Katy, Texas (a suburb of Houston) has chosen Pexx, Inc. to furnish the department with leading edge wireless communications and data/video networking capabilities. This step into the future will allow the Katy Police Department (KPD) to protect and serve the community in an entirely new and more efficient fashion.

Pexx, Inc, a Texas based technology provider, will equip KPD with broadband radios and infrastructure providing wireless links between mobile radios, digital video cameras, recording systems, headquarters and remote command centers. "This network will provide KPD with the most effective, secure, and expandable network available" says Jennifer Greene, President of Pexx.

With this capability mobile patrol units and multiple law enforcement agencies will be able to transmit and receive large packets of secure data at soaring speeds. Now officers in the field, command centers, and headquarters will be able to communicate crucial intelligence information, in real-time, as they share mug shots, outstanding warrants, police records, and other vital information. The network will also provide real time access to footage from digital video surveillance cameras from both mobile and fixed locations within the city.

Richard Zerweck, Computer Operations Manager for Katy Police Department, says "Our relationship with Pexx is based on a foundation of trust and many years of excellent service provided by Pexx." "We anticipate that our new system will exceed our expectations and we are anxious to begin reaping the benefits as well as provide the City of Katy with the leading edge of technology." adds Zerweck.

The enhanced communication network will put the growing community of Katy "on the map" so to speak. Katy Police Chief, "Buddy" Frazier, says "Our new wireless networking capabilities will dramatically enhance the safety of our community, and the safety of our officers." Pexx will be installing a seamless wireless network integrating advanced technology from leading industry manufacturers. The network will include a suite of radios connecting all the mobile units with stationary bases around the city. The stationary bases will be backhauled straight to headquarters. All mobile data terminals and mobile video equipment links are part of a network managed software system allowing each mobile unit to immediately select which radio system has the best network connectivity and downloading capabilities while in transit, allowing headquarters to view exactly what the officer is seeing at that moment.

"Enhancing officer safety is an immeasurable benefit offered by our network. Allowing a supervisor or dispatch to see what is happening in real time while an officer is out of their vehicle and in a vulnerable position is a tremendous advantage" notes Greene. Greene goes on to say, "We see many new applications coming down the road providing additional benefits to public safety and overall security for the city of Katy, Texas."

## **About Pexx**

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