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Abstract

This document describes how to use IP-based emergency services mechanisms to support the next generation of emergency calls placed by vehicles (automatically in the event of a crash or serious incident, or manually invoked by a vehicle occupant) and conveying vehicle, sensor, and location data related to the crash or incident. Such calls are often referred to as "Automatic Crash Notification" (ACN), or "Advanced Automatic Crash Notification" (AACN), even in the case of manual trigger. The "Advanced" qualifier refers to the ability to carry a richer set of data.

This document also registers a MIME Content Type and an Emergency Call Additional Data Block for the vehicle, sensor, and location data (often referred to as "crash data" even though there is not necessarily a crash). An external specification for the data format, contents, and structure are referenced in this document.

This document reuses the technical aspects of next-generation pan-European eCall (a mandated and standardized system for emergency calls by in-vehicle systems within Europe and other regions). However, this document specifies a different set of vehicle (crash) data, specifically, the Vehicle Emergency Data Set (VEDS) rather than the eCall Minimum Set of Data (MSD). This document is an extension of the eCall document, with the primary differences being that this document makes the MSD data set optional and VEDS mandatory, and extends the eCall metadata/control object to permit greater functionality. This document also describes legacy (circuit-switched) ACN systems and their migration to next-generation emergency calling, to provide background information and context.

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[1.](#) Terminology

The key words "MUST", "MUST NOT", "REQUIRED", "SHALL", "SHALL NOT", "SHOULD", "SHOULD NOT", "RECOMMENDED", "MAY", and "OPTIONAL" in this document are to be interpreted as described in [[RFC2119](#)].

This document re-uses terminology defined in [Section 3 of \[RFC5012\]](#).

Additionally, we use the following abbreviations:

Term	Expansion
3GPP	3rd Generation Partnership Project
AACN	Advanced Automatic Crash Notification
ACN	Automatic Crash Notification
APCO	Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials
EENA	European Emergency Number Association
ESInet	Emergency Services IP network
GNSS	Global Navigation Satellite System (which includes various systems such as the Global Positioning System or GPS)
IVS	In-Vehicle System
MNO	Mobile Network Operator
MSD	eCall Minimum Set of Data
NENA	National Emergency Number Association
POTS	Plain Old Telephone Service (normal, circuit-switched voice calls)
PSAP	Public Safety Answering Point
TSP	Telematics Service Provider
VEDS	Vehicle Emergency Data Set

2. Introduction

Emergency calls made by in-vehicle systems (e.g., automatically in the event of a crash or serious incident or manually by a vehicle occupant) assist in significantly reducing road deaths and injuries by allowing emergency services to respond quickly and appropriately to the specifics of the incident, often with better location accuracy.

Drivers often have a poor location awareness, especially outside of major cities, at night and when away from home (especially abroad). In the most crucial cases, the victim(s) might not be able to call because they have been injured or trapped.

For more than two decades, some vehicles have been equipped with telematics systems that, among other features, place an emergency call automatically in the event of a crash or manually in response to an emergency call button. Such systems generally have on-board location determination systems that make use of satellite-based positioning technology, inertial sensors, gyroscopes, etc., which can provide an accurate position for the vehicle. Such built-in systems can take advantage of the benefits of being integrated into a vehicle, such as more power capacity, ability to have larger or specialized antenna, ability to be engineered to avoid or minimise degradation by vehicle glass coatings, interference from other

vehicle systems, etc. Thus, the PSAP can be provided with a good estimate of where the vehicle is during an emergency. Vehicle manufacturers are increasingly adopting such systems, both for the safety benefits and for the additional features and services they enable (e.g., remote engine diagnostics, remote door unlock, stolen vehicle tracking and disabling, etc.).

The general term for such systems is Automatic Crash Notification (ACN) or "Advanced Automatic Crash Notification" (AACN). "ACN" is used in this document as a general term. ACN systems transmit some amount of data specific to the incident, referred to generally as "crash data" (the term is commonly used even though there might not have been a crash). While different systems transmit different amounts of crash data, standardized formats, structures, and mechanisms are needed to provide interoperability among systems and PSAPs.

As of the date of this document, currently deployed in-vehicle telematics systems are circuit-switched and lack a standards-based ability to convey crash data directly to the PSAP (generally relying on either a human advisor or an automated text-to-speech system to provide the PSAP call taker with some crash data orally, or in some cases via a proprietary mechanism). In most cases, the PSAP call taker needs to first realize that the call is related to a vehicle incident, and then listen to the data and transcribe it. Circuit-switched ACN systems are referred to here as CS-ACN.

The transition to next-generation calling in general, and emergency calling in particular, provides an opportunity to vastly improve the scope, breadth, reliability and usefulness of crash data during an emergency by allowing it to be transmitted during call set-up, and to be automatically processed by the PSAP and made available to the call taker in an integrated, automated way, as well as provide the ability for a PSAP call taker to request that a vehicle take certain actions, such as flashing lights or unlocking doors. In addition, vehicle manufacturers are provided an opportunity to take advantage of the same standardized mechanisms for data transmission and request processing for internal use if they wish (such as telemetry between the vehicle and a service center for both emergency and non-emergency uses, including location-based services, multi-media entertainment systems, remote door unlocking, and road-side assistance applications).

Next-generation ACN provides an opportunity for such calls to be recognized and processed as such during call set-up, and routed to an equipped PSAP where the vehicle data is available to assist the call taker in assessing and responding to the situation. Next-generation (IP-based) ACN systems are referred to here as NG-ACN.

An ACN call can be initiated by a vehicle occupant or automatically initiated by vehicle systems in the event of a serious incident. (The "A" in "ACN" does stand for "Automatic," but the term is broadly used to refer to the class of calls that are placed by an in-vehicle system (IVS) or Telematics Service Providers (TSP) and that carry incident-related data as well as voice.) Automatically triggered calls indicate a car crash or some other serious incident (e.g., a fire). Manually triggered calls are often reports of observed crashes or serious hazards (such as impaired drivers or roadway debris). Depending on the design, manually triggered calls might be more likely to be accidental.

This document describes how the IETF mechanisms for IP-based emergency calls, including [\[RFC6443\]](#) and [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#), are used to provide the realization of next-generation ACN.

This document reuses the technical aspects of next-generation pan-European eCall (a mandated and standardized system for emergency calls by in-vehicle systems within Europe and other regions), as described in [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#). However, this document specifies a different set of vehicle (crash) data, specifically, the Vehicle Emergency Data Set (VEDS) rather than the eCall Minimum Set of Data (MSD). This document is an extension of [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#), with the differences being that this document makes the MSD data set optional and VEDS mandatory, and adds extension elements, attributes, and values to the eCall metadata/control object defined in that document.

The Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) and the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) have jointly developed a standardized set of incident-related vehicle data for ACN use, called the Vehicle Emergency Data Set (VEDS) [\[VEDS\]](#). Such data is often referred to as crash data although it is applicable in incidents other than crashes.

VEDS provides a standard data set for the transmission, exchange, and interpretation of vehicle-related data. A standard data format allows the data to be generated by an IVS or TSP and interpreted by PSAPs, emergency responders, and medical facilities. It includes incident-related information such as airbag deployment, location and compass orientation of the vehicle, spatial orientation of the vehicle (e.g., upright, on its side or top or a bumper), various sensor data that can indicate the potential severity of the crash and the likelihood of severe injuries to the vehicle occupants, etc. This data better informs the PSAP and emergency responders as to the type of response that might be needed. Some of this information has been included in U.S. government guidelines for field triage of

injured patients [[triage-2008](#)] [[triage-2011](#)]. These guidelines are designed to help responders identify the potential existence of severe internal injuries and to make critical decisions about how and where a patient needs to be transported.

This document registers the 'application/EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml' MIME content-type, and registers the 'VEDS' entry in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry.

VEDS is an XML structure (see [[VEDS](#)]) transported in SIP using the 'application/EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml' MIME content-type. The 'VEDS' entry in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry is used to construct a 'purpose' parameter value to indicate VEDS data in a Call-Info header (as described in [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)]).

VEDS is a versatile structure that can accommodate varied needs. However, if additional sets of data are determined to be needed (e.g., in the future or in different regions), the steps to enable each data block are very briefly summarized below:

- o A standardized format and encoding (such as XML) is defined and published by a Standards Development Organization (SDO)
- o A MIME Content-Type is registered for it (typically under the 'Application' media type) with a sub-type starting with 'EmergencyCallData.'
- o An entry for the block is added to the Emergency Call Additional Data Blocks sub-registry (established by [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)]); the registry entry is the root of the MIME sub-type (not including the 'EmergencyCallData' prefix and any suffix such as '+xml')

A next-generation In-Vehicle System (IVS) or TSP transmits crash data by encoding it in a standardized and registered format (such as VEDS) and attaching it to a SIP message as a MIME body part. The body part is identified by its MIME content-type (such as 'application/EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml') in the Content-Type header field of the body part. The body part is assigned a unique identifier which is listed in a Content-ID header field in the body part. The SIP message is marked as containing the crash data by adding a Call-Info header field at the top level of the message. This Call-Info header field contains a CID URL referencing the body part's unique identifier, and a 'purpose' parameter identifying the data as the crash data per the registry entry. The 'purpose' parameter's value is 'EmergencyCallData.' plus the value associated with the data type in the registry; for VEDS data, "purpose=EmergencyCallData.VEDS".

These mechanisms are thus used to place emergency calls that are identifiable as ACN calls and that carry one or more standardized crash data objects in an interoperable way.

Calls by in-vehicle systems are placed via cellular networks, which might ignore location sent by an originating device in an emergency call INVITE, instead attaching their own location (often determined in cooperation with the originating device). Standardized crash data structures often include location as determined by the IVS. A benefit of this is that it allows the PSAP to see both the location as determined by the cellular network (often in cooperation with the originating device) and the location as determined by the IVS.

This specification inherits the ability to utilize test call functionality from [Section 15 of \[RFC6881\]](#).

3. Document Scope

This document is focused on how an ACN emergency call is setup and incident-related data (including vehicle, sensor, and location data) is transmitted to the PSAP using IETF specifications. For the direct model, this is the end-to-end description (between the vehicle and the PSAP). For the TSP model, this describes the call leg between the TSP and the PSAP, leaving the call leg between the vehicle and the TSP up to the entities involved (i.e., IVS and TSP vendors) who are then free to use the same mechanism as for the right-hand side or not.

Note that Europe has a mandated and standardized system for emergency calls by in-vehicle systems. This pan-European system is known as "eCall" and is the subject of a separate document, [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#), which this document builds on. Vehicles designed to operate in multiple regions might need to support eCall as well as the ACN described here. In this case, a vehicle IVS might determine whether to use eCall or ACN by first determining a region or country in which it is located (e.g., from a GNSS location fix and/or identity of or information from an MNO). If other regions adopt other data formats, a multi-region vehicle might need to support those as well. This document adopts the call set-up and other technical aspects of [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#), which uses [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#); this makes it straightforward to use a different data set while keeping other technical aspects unchanged. Hence, both NG-eCall and the NG-ACN mechanism described here are compatible, differing primarily in the specific data block that is sent (the eCall MSD in the case of NG-eCall, and the APCO/NENA VEDS used in this document), and some additions to the metadata/control data block. If other regions adopt their own vehicle data

sets, this can be similarly accommodated without changing other technical aspects.

4. Overview of Legacy Deployment Models

Legacy (circuit-switched) systems for placing emergency calls by in-vehicle systems generally have some ability to convey at least location and in some cases telematics data to the PSAP. Most such systems use one of three architectural models, which are described here as: "Telematics Service Provider" (TSP), "direct", and "paired". These three models are illustrated below.

In the TSP model, both emergency and non-emergency calls are placed to a Telematics Service Provider (TSP); a proprietary technique is used for data transfer (such as a proprietary in-band modem) between the TSP and the vehicle.

In an emergency, generally the TSP call taker bridges in the PSAP and communicates location, crash data (such as impact severity and trauma prediction), and other data (such as the vehicle description) to the PSAP call taker verbally (in some cases, a proprietary out-of-band interface is used). Since the TSP knows the location of the vehicle (from on-board GNSS and sensors), location-based routing is usually used to route to the appropriate PSAP. In some cases, the TSP is able to transmit location automatically, using similar techniques as for wireless calls. Typically, a three-way voice call is established between the vehicle, the TSP, and the PSAP, allowing communication between the PSAP call taker, the TSP call taker, and the vehicle occupants (who might be unconscious).

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///----\\  proprietary  +-----+ 911 trunk or POTS  +-----+
||| IVS |||----->+ TSP  +----->+ PSAP |
\\----///  crash data  +-----+ location via trunk +-----+

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Figure 1: Legacy TSP Model.

In the paired model, the IVS uses a Bluetooth link with a previously-paired handset to establish an emergency call with the PSAP (by dialing a standard emergency number; 9-1-1 in North America), and then communicates location data to the PSAP via text-to-speech; crash data might or might not be conveyed also using text-to-speech. Some such systems use an automated voice prompt menu for the PSAP call taker (e.g., "this is an automatic emergency call from a vehicle; press 1 to open a voice path to the vehicle; press 2 to hear the location read out") to allow the call taker to request location data via text-to-speech.

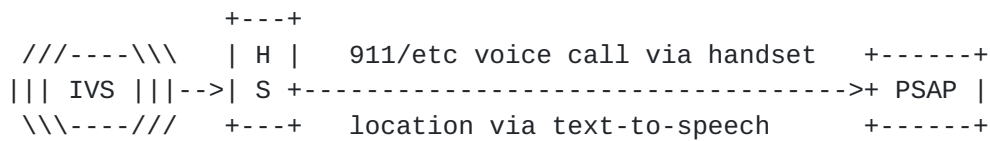


Figure 2: Legacy Paired Model

In the direct model, the IVS directly places an emergency call with the PSAP by dialing a standard emergency number (9-1-1 in North America). Such systems might communicate location data to the PSAP via text-to-speech; crash data might or might not be conveyed using text-to-speech. Some such systems use an automated voice prompt menu (e.g., "this is an automatic emergency call from a vehicle; press 1 to open a voice path to the vehicle; press 2 to hear the location read out") to allow the call taker to request location data via text-to-speech.

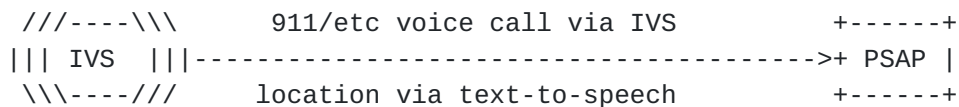


Figure 3: Legacy Direct Model

5. Migration to Next-Generation

Migration of emergency calls placed by in-vehicle systems to next-generation (all-IP) technology per this document provides a standardized mechanism to identify such calls and to present crash data with the call, as well as enabling additional communications modalities and enhanced functionality. This allows ACN calls and crash data to be automatically processed by the PSAP and made available to the call taker in an integrated, automated way. Because the crash data is carried in the initial SIP INVITE (per [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#)) the PSAP can present it to the call taker simultaneously with the appearance of the call. The PSAP can also process the data to take other actions (e.g., if multiple calls from the same location arrive when the PSAP is busy and a subset of them are NG-ACN calls, a PSAP might choose to store the information and reject the calls, since the IVS will receive confirmation that the information has been successfully received; a PSAP could also choose to include a message stating that it is aware of the incident and responders are on the way; a PSAP could call the vehicle back when a call taker is available).

Origination devices and networks, PSAPs, emergency services networks, and other telephony environments are migrating to next-generation.

This provides opportunities for significant enhancement to interoperability and functionality, especially for emergency calls carrying additional data such as vehicle crash data. (In the U.S., a network specifically for emergency responders is being developed. This network, FirstNet, will be next-generation from the start, enhancing the ability for data exchange between PSAPs and responders.)

Migration to next-generation (NG) provides an opportunity to significantly improve the handling and response to vehicle-initiated emergency calls. Such calls can be recognized as originating from a vehicle, routed to a PSAP equipped both technically and operationally to handle such calls, and the vehicle-determined location and crash data can be made available to the call taker simultaneously with the call appearance. The PSAP can take advantage of enhanced functionality, including the ability to request the vehicle to take an action, such as sending an updated set of data, conveying a message to the occupants, flashing lights, unlocking doors, etc.

Vehicle manufacturers using the TSP model can choose to take advantage of the same mechanism to carry telematics data and requests and responses between the vehicle and the TSP for both emergency and non-emergency calls as are used for the interface with the PSAP.

A next-generation IVS establishes an emergency call using the emergency call solution as described in [\[RFC6443\]](#) and [\[RFC6881\]](#), with the difference that the Request-URI indicates an ACN type of emergency call, the IVS typically does not perform routing or location queries but relies on the carrier for this, and uses Call-Info header fields to indicate that vehicle crash and capabilities data is attached. When an ESInet is deployed, the MNO only needs to recognize the call as an emergency call and route it to an ESInet. The ESInet can recognize the call as an ACN with vehicle data and can route the call to an NG-ACN capable PSAP. Such a PSAP can interpret the vehicle data sent with the call and make it available to the call taker.

[\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#) registers new service URN children within the "sos" subservice. These URNs request NG-ACN resources, and differentiate between manually and automatically triggered NG-ACN calls (which might be subject to different treatment depending on policy). The two service URNs registered in [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#) are "urn:service:sos.ecall.automatic" and "urn:service:sos.ecall.manual". The same service URNs are used for ACN as for eCall since in any region only one of these is supported, making a distinction unnecessary. (Further, PSAP equipment might support multiple data formats, allowing a PSAP to handle a vehicle that erroneously sent the wrong data object.)

Note that in North America, routing queries performed by clients outside of an ESInet typically treat all sub-services of "sos" identically to "sos" with no sub-service. However, the Request-URI header field retains the full sub-service; route and handling decisions within an ESInet or PSAP can take the sub-service into account. For example, in a region with multiple cooperating PSAPs, an NG-ACN call might be routed to a PSAP that is NG-ACN capable, or one that specializes in vehicle-related incidents.

Migration of the three architectural models to next-generation (all-IP) is described below.

In the TSP model, the IVS transmits crash and location data to the TSP either by re-using the mechanisms and data objects described here, or using a proprietary mechanism. In an emergency, the TSP bridges in the PSAP and the TSP transmits crash and other data to the PSAP using the mechanisms and data objects described here. There is a three-way call between the vehicle, the TSP, and the PSAP, allowing communication between the PSAP call taker, the TSP call taker, and the vehicle occupants (who might be unconscious). The TSP relays PSAP requests and vehicle responses.

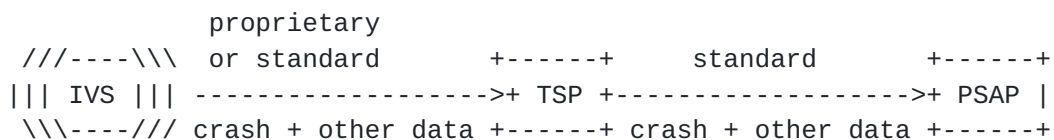


Figure 4: Next-Generation TSP Model

The vehicle manufacturer and the TSP can choose to use the same mechanisms and data objects on the left call leg in Figure 4 as on the right. (Note that the TSP model can be more difficult when the vehicle is in a different country than the TSP (e.g., a US resident driving in Canada or Mexico) because of the additional complexity in choosing the correct PSAP based on vehicle location performed by a TSP in a different country.)

In the direct model, the IVS communicates crash data to the PSAP directly using the mechanisms and data objects described here.

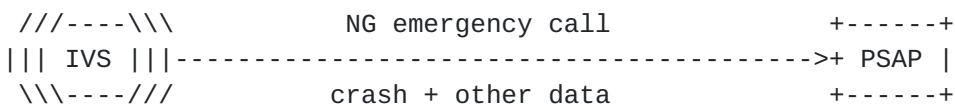


Figure 5: Next-Generation Direct Model

In the paired model, the IVS uses a Bluetooth link to a previously-paired handset to establish an emergency call with the PSAP; it is

undefined what facilities are or will be available for transmitting crash data through the Bluetooth link to the handset for inclusion in an NG emergency call. Hence, manufacturers that use the paired model for legacy calls might choose to adopt either the direct or TSP models for next-generation calls.

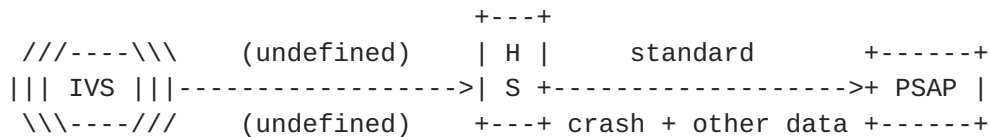


Figure 6: Next-Generation Paired Model

If the call is routed to a PSAP that is not capable of processing the vehicle data, the PSAP ignores (or does not receive) the vehicle data. This is detectable by the IVS or TSP when the status response to the INVITE (e., 200 OK) lacks an eCall control structure acknowledging receipt of the data [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)]. The IVS or TSP then proceeds as it would for a CS-ACN call (e.g., verbal conveyance of data)

6. Call Setup

A next-generation In-Vehicle System (IVS) initiates an NG-ACN call with a SIP INVITE using one of the SOS sub-services "SOS.ecall.automatic" or "SOS.ecall.manual" in the Request-URI, standard sets of crash data and capabilities data encoded in standardized and registered formats, attached as additional data blocks as specified in Section 4.1 of [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)]. As described in that document, each data block is identified by its MIME content-type, and pointed to by a CID URL in a Call-Info header with a 'purpose' parameter value corresponding to the data block.

Should new data blocks be needed (e.g., in other regions or in the future), the steps required during standardization are:

- o A set of data is standardized by an SDO or appropriate organization
- o A MIME Content-Type for the crash data set is registered with IANA
 - * If the data is specifically for use in emergency calling, the MIME type is normally under the 'application' type with a subtype starting with 'EmergencyCallData.'
 - * If the data format is XML, then by convention the name has a suffix of '+xml'

- o The item is registered in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry, as defined in Section 9.1.7 of [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#)
- * For emergency-call-specific formats, the registered name is the root of the MIME Content-Type (not including the 'EmergencyCallData' prefix and any suffix such as '+xml') as described in Section 4.1 of [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#).

When placing an emergency call:

- o The crash data set is created and encoded per its specification
- o IVS capability data is encoded per the specification in [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#) as extended in this document
- o The crash data set and capabilities data are attached to the emergency call INVITE as specified in Section 4.1 of [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#), that is, as MIME body parts identified by the MIME Content-Type in the body part's Content-Type header field
- o Each body part is assigned a unique identifier label in the Content-ID header field of the body part
- o Call-Info header fields at the top level of the INVITE are added that reference the crash data and capabilities data and identify each by its MIME root (as registered in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry)
 - * The crash and capabilities data are referenced in Call-Info header fields by CID URLs that contain the unique Content ID assigned to the body part
 - * The crash and capabilities data are identified in the Call-Info header fields by a 'purpose' parameter whose value is 'EmergencyCallData.' concatenated with the specific data block's entry in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry
 - * A Call-Info header field can be either solely to reference one item of data (and hence have only the one URL) or can also contain other URLs referencing other data
- o Any additional data sets are included by following the same steps

The Vehicle Emergency Data Set (VEDS) is an XML structure defined by the Association of Public-Safety Communications Officials (APCO) and the National Emergency Number Association (NENA) [\[VEDS\]](#). The

'application/EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml' MIME content-type is used to identify it. The 'VEDS' entry in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry is used to construct a 'purpose' parameter value for conveying VEDS data in a Call-Info header.

The VEDS data is attached as a body part with MIME content type 'application/EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml' which is pointed at by a Call-Info URL of type CID with a 'purpose' parameter of 'EmergencyCallData.VEDS'.

Entities along the path between the vehicle and the PSAP are able to identify the call as an ACN call and handle it appropriately. The PSAP is able to identify the crash data as well as any other additional data attached to the INVITE by examining the Call-Info header fields for 'purpose' parameters whose values start with 'EmergencyCallData.' The PSAP is able to access the data it is capable of handling and is interested in by checking the 'purpose' parameter values.

This document extends [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] by reusing the call set-up and other normative requirements with the exception that in this document, support for the eCall MSD is OPTIONAL and support for VEDS is REQUIRED. This document also extends the metadata/control object defined in [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] by adding new elements, attributes, and values.

[6.1.](#) Call Routing

An Emergency Services IP Network (ESInet) is a network operated by or on behalf of emergency services authorities. It handles emergency call routing and processing before delivery to a PSAP. In the NG9-1-1 architecture adopted by NENA as well as the NG1-1-2 architecture adopted by EENA, each PSAP is connected to one or more ESInets. Each originating network is also connected to one or more ESInets. The ESInets maintain policy-based routing rules which control the routing and processing of emergency calls. The centralization of such rules within ESInets provides for a cleaner separation between the responsibilities of the originating network and that of the emergency services network, and provides greater flexibility and control over processing of emergency calls by the emergency services authorities and PSAPs. This makes it easier to react quickly to unusual situations that require changes in how emergency calls are routed or handled (e.g., a natural disaster closes a PSAP), as well as ease in making long-term changes that affect such routing (e.g., cooperative agreements to specially handle calls requiring translation or relay services).

In an environment that uses ESInets, the originating network need only detect that the service URN of an emergency call is or starts with "sos", passing all types of emergency calls to an ESInet. The ESInet is then responsible for routing such calls to an appropriate PSAP. In an environment without an ESInet, the emergency services authorities and the originating carriers determine how such calls are routed.

7. eCall Metadata/Control Extensions

This document extends the eCall metadata/control structure defined in [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] by adding new elements, attributes, and values.

The <ack> element is permitted in a control block sent by the IVS to the PSAP, to acknowledge receipt of a request by the PSAP and indicate if the request was carried out, when that request would not otherwise be acknowledged (if the PSAP requests the vehicle to send data and the vehicle does so, the data serves as a success acknowledgement).

A new <capabilities> element is added; used in a control block sent from the IVS to the PSAP (e.g., in the initial INVITE) to inform the PSAP of the vehicle capabilities. Child elements contain all actions and data types supported by the vehicle and all available lamps (lights) and cameras.

New request values are added to the <request> element to enable the PSAP to request the vehicle to perform actions.

Mandatory Actions (the IVS and the PSAP MUST support):

- o Transmit data object (VEDS MUST be supported; MSD MAY be supported)

Optional Actions (the IVS and the PSAP MAY support):

- o Play and/or display static (pre-defined) message
- o Speak/display dynamic text (text supplied in action)
- o Flash or turn on or off a lamp (light)
- o Honk horn
- o Enable a camera

The <ack> element indicates the object being acknowledged (i.e., a data object or a <request> element), and reports success or failure.

The <capabilities> element has child <request> elements to indicate the actions supported by the IVS.

The <request> element contains attributes to indicate the request and to supply any needed information, and MAY contain a <text> child element to contain the text for a dynamic message. The 'action' attribute is mandatory and indicates the specific action.

[[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] established an IANA registry to contain the allowed values; this document adds new values to that registry in Table 3.

[7.1.](#) New values for the 'action' attribute'

The following new "action" values are defined:

'msg-static' displays or plays a predefined message (translated as appropriate for the language of the vehicle's interface). A registry is created in [Section 12.5](#) for messages and their IDs. Vehicles include the highest registered message in their <capabilities> element to indicate support for all messages up to and including the indicated value.

'msg-dynamic' displays or speaks (via text-to-speech) a dynamic message included in the request.

'honk' sounds the horn.

'lamp' turns a lamp (light) on, off, or flashes.

'enable-camera' adds a one-way media stream (established via SIP re-INVITE sent by the vehicle) to enable the PSAP call taker to view a feed from a camera.

Note that there is no 'request' action to play dynamic media (such as an audio message). The PSAP can send a SIP re-INVITE to establish a one-way media stream for this purpose.

[7.2.](#) <ack> element extensions

The <ack> element is extended to be transmitted by the IVS to the PSAP to acknowledge receipt of a <request> element that requested the IVS to perform an action other than transmitting a data object (e.g., a request to display a message would be acknowledged, but a request to transmit a data object would not result in a separate <ack> element being sent, since the data object itself serves as acknowledgment.) An <ack> element sent by an IVS references the unique ID of the request being acknowledged, indicates whether the request was successfully performed, and if not, optionally includes an explanation.

The <ack> element has the following new child elements:

7.2.1. New Child Element of the <ack> element

The <ack> element has the following new child element:

Name: `actionResult`

Usage: Optional

Description: An <actionResult> element indicates the result of an action (other than a 'send-data' action). When an <ack> element is in response to a control object with multiple <request> elements (that are not 'send-data' actions), the <ack> element contains an <actionResult> element for each.

The <actionResult> element has the following attributes:

Name: `action`

Usage: Mandatory

Type: token

Description: Contains the value of the 'action' attribute of the <request> element

Name: `success`

Usage: Mandatory

Type: Boolean

Description: Indicates if the action was successfully accomplished

Name: `reason`

Usage: Conditional

Type: token

Description: Used when 'success' is "False", this attribute contains a reason code for a failure. A registry for reason codes is defined in [Section 12.6](#).

Name: `details`

Usage: optional

Type: string

Description: Contains further explanation of the circumstances of a success or failure. The contents are implementation-specific and human-readable.

Example: `<actionResult action="msg-dynamic" success="true"/>`

Example: `<actionResult action="lamp" success="false" reason="unable" details="The requested lamp is inoperable"/>`

7.2.2. Ack Examples

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<EmergencyCallData.eCallControl
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:eCall:control"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:
    eCall:control">

  <ack ref="1234567890@atlanta.example.com">
    <actionResult action="msg-dynamic" success="true"/>
    <actionResult action="lamp" success="false" reason="unable"
      details="The requested lamp is inoperable"/>
  </ack>

</EmergencyCallData.eCallControl>
```

Figure 7: Ack Example from IVS to PSAP

7.3. The <capabilities> element

The <capabilities> element is transmitted by the IVS to indicate to the PSAP its capabilities. No attributes for this element are currently defined. The following child elements are defined:

7.3.1. Child Elements of the <capabilities> element

The <capabilities> element has the following child elements:

Name: request

Usage: Mandatory

Description: The <capabilities> element contains a <request> child element per action supported by the vehicle.

Because support for a 'send-data' action is REQUIRED, a <request> child element with a "send-data" 'action' attribute is also REQUIRED. The 'supported-datatypes' attribute is REQUIRED in this <request> element within a <capabilities> element, and MUST contain at a minimum the 'VEDS' data block value; it SHOULD contain all data blocks supported by the IVS.

All other actions are OPTIONAL.

If the "msg-static" action is supported, a <request> child element with a "msg-static" 'action' attribute is sent, with a 'msgid' attribute set to the highest supported static message supported by

the vehicle. A registry is created in [Section 12.5](#) to map 'msgid' values to static text messages. By sending the highest supported static message number in its <capabilities> element, the vehicle indicates its support for all static messages in the registry up to and including that value.

If the "lamp" action is supported, a <request> child element with a "lamp" 'action' is sent, with a 'supported-lamps' attribute set to all supported lamp IDs.

If the "enable-camera" action is supported, a <request> child element with an "enable-camera" 'action' is sent, with a 'supported-cameras' attribute set to all supported camera IDs.

Examples:

```
<request action="send-data" supported-datatypes="VEDS"/>
<request action="send-data" supported-datatypes="VEDS; eCall.MSD"
/>
<request action="msg-dynamic"/>
<request action="msg.static" msgid="17" />
```

[7.3.2.](#) Capabilities Example

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<EmergencyCallData.eCallControl
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:eCall:control"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:
    eCall:control">

  <capabilities>
    <request action="send-data" supported-datatypes="VEDS"/>
    <request action="lamp"
      supported-lamps="head;interior;fog-front;fog-rear;brake;
        position-front;position-rear;turn-left;turn-right;hazard"/>
    <request action="msg-static" msgid="3"/>
    <request action="msg-dynamic"/>
    <request action="honk"/>
    <request action="enable-camera" supported-cameras="backup; interior"/>
  </capabilities>

</EmergencyCallData.eCallControl>
```

Figure 8: Capabilities Example

7.4. <request> element extensions

This document extends the <request> element to be permitted one or more times on its own or as a child elements of a <capabilities> element. The following new attributes, values, and child elements are defined for the <request> element:

7.4.1. New Attributes of the <request> element

The <request> element has the following new attributes:

Name: msgid

Usage: Conditional

Type: int

Description: Mandatory with a "msg-static" action. Indicates the identifier of the static message to be displayed and/or spoken for the vehicle occupants. This document establishes an IANA registry for messages and their IDs, in [Section 12.5](#)

Example: msgid="3"

Name: persistence

Usage: Optional

Type: duration

Description: Specifies how long to carry on the specified action, for example, how long to continue honking or flashing. If absent, the default is for the duration of the ACN call.

Example: persistence="PT1H"

Name: supported-datatypes

Usage: Conditional

Type: string

Description: Used with a 'send-data' action in a <request> element that is a child of a <capability> element, this attribute lists all data blocks that the vehicle can transmit, using the same identifier as in the 'purpose' attribute in a Call-Info header field to point to the data block. Permitted values are contained in the 'Emergency Call Data Types' IANA registry established in [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#). Multiple values are separated with a semicolon.

Example: supported-datatypes="VEDS; eCall.MSD"

Name: lamp-action

Usage: Conditional

Type: token

Description: Used with a 'lamp' action, indicates if the lamp is to be illuminated, turned off, or flashed. Permitted values are 'on', 'off', and 'flash'.

Example: lamp-action="flash"

Name: lamp-ID

Usage: Conditional

Type: token

Description: Used with a 'lamp' action, indicates which lamp the action affects. Permitted values are contained in the registry of lamp-ID tokens created in [Section 12.7](#)

Example: lamp-ID="hazard"

Name: supported-lamps

Usage: Conditional

Type: string

Description: Used with a 'lamp' action in a <request> element that is a child of a <capability> element, this attribute lists all supported lamps, using values in the registry of lamp-ID tokens created in [Section 12.7](#). Multiple values are separated with a semicolon.

Example: supported-lamps="head; interior; fog-front; fog-rear; brake; position-front; position-rear; turn-left; turn-right; hazard"

Name: camera-ID

Usage: Conditional

Type: token

Description: Used with an 'enable-camera' action, indicates which camera to enable. Permitted values are contained in the registry of camera-ID tokens created in [Section 12.8](#). When a vehicle camera is enabled, the IVS sends a re-INVITE to negotiate a one-way media stream for the camera.

Example: camera-ID="backup"

Name: supported-cameras

Usage: Conditional

Type: string

Description: Used with an 'enable-camera' action in a <request> element that is a child of a <capability> element, this attribute lists all cameras that the vehicle supports (can add as a video feed in the current dialog), using the same identifiers as are used in the 'camera-ID' attribute (contained in the camera ID registry in [Section 12.8](#)). Multiple values are separated with a semicolon.

Example: supported-cameras="backup; interior"

7.4.2. New Child Elements of the <request> element

The <request> element has the following new child elements:

Name: text

Usage: Conditional

Type: string

Description: Used within a <request action="msg-dynamic"> element to contain the text to be displayed and/or spoken (via text-to-speech) for the vehicle occupants.

Example: <text>Emergency authorities are aware of your incident and location. Due to a multi-vehicle incident in your area, no one is able to speak with you right now. Please remain calm. We will assist you soon.</text>

7.4.3. Request Example

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<EmergencyCallData.eCallControl
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:eCall:control"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:
    eCall:control">

  <request action="send-data" datatype="VEDS"/>
  <request action="lamp" lamp-id="hazard"
    lamp-action="flash" persistance="PT1H"/>
  <request action="msg-static" msgid="1"/>
  <request action="msg-dynamic">
    <text>Remain calm. Help is on the way.</text>
  </request>

</EmergencyCallData.eCallControl>
```

Figure 9: Request Example

8. Test Calls

An NG-ACN test call is a call that is recognized and treated to some extent as an NG-ACN call but not given emergency call treatment and not handled by a call taker. The specific handling of test NG-ACN calls is not itself standardized; the test call facility is intended to allow the IVS, user, or TSP to verify that an NG-ACN call can be successfully established with voice and/or other media communication. The IVS might also be able to verify that the crash data was successfully received.

This document builds on [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)], which inherits the ability to utilize test call functionality from [Section 15 of RFC6881](#). A service URN starting with "test." indicates a test call. [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] registered "urn:service:test.sos.ecall" for test calls.

MNOs, emergency authorities, ESInets, and PSAPs determine how to treat a vehicle call requesting the "test" service URN so that the desired functionality is tested, but this is outside the scope of this document. (One possibility is that MNOs route such calls as non-emergency calls to an ESInet, which routes them to a PSAP that supports NG-ACN calls; the PSAP accepts test calls, sends a crash data acknowledgment, and plays an audio clip (for example, saying that the call reached an appropriate PSAP and the vehicle data was successfully processed) in addition to supporting media loopback per [[RFC6881](#)]).

Note that since test calls are placed using "test" as the parent service URN and "sos" as a child, such calls are not treated as an emergency call and so some functionality might not apply (such as preemption or service availability for devices lacking service ("non-service-initialized" or "NSI" devices) if those are available for emergency calls).

9. Example

Figure 10 shows an NG-ACN call routing. The mobile network operator (MNO) routes the call to an Emergency services IP Network (ESInet), as for any emergency call. The ESInet routes the call to an appropriate NG-ACN-capable PSAP (using location information and the fact that that it is an NG-ACN call). The call is processed by the Emergency Services Routing Proxy (ESRP), as the entry point to the ESInet. The ESRP routes the call to an appropriate NG-ACN-capable PSAP, where the call is received by a call taker. (In deployments where there is no ESInet, the MNO itself routes the call directly to an appropriate NG-ACN-capable PSAP.)

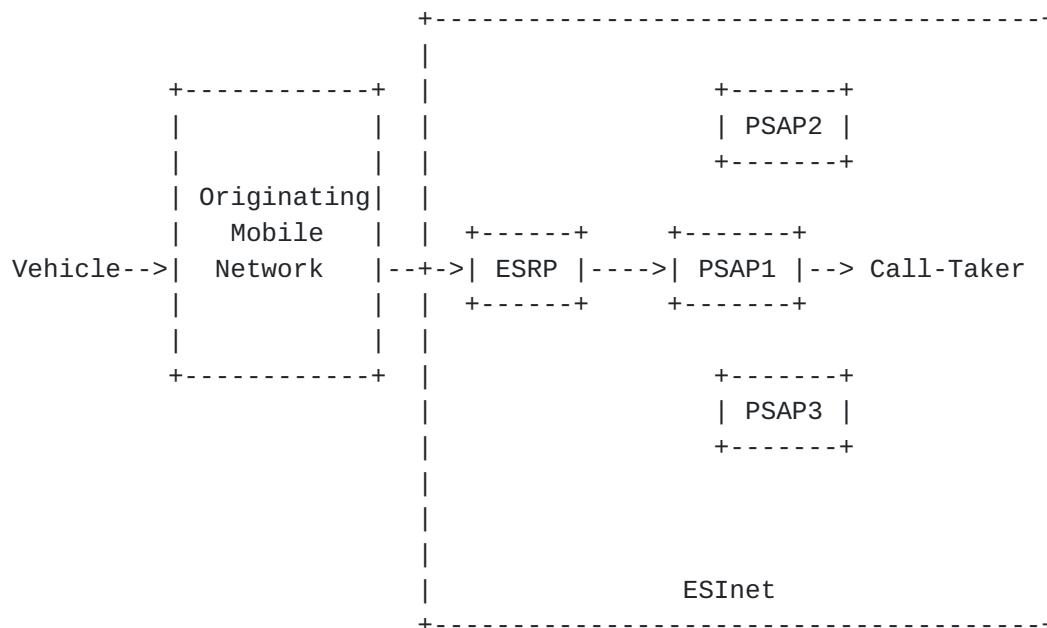


Figure 10: Example of Vehicle-Placed Emergency Call Message Flow

The example, shown in Figure 11, illustrates a SIP emergency call INVITE with location information (a PIDF-LO), VEDS crash data (a VEDS data block), and capabilities data (an eCall metadata/control block with extensions defined in this document) attached to the SIP INVITE message. The INVITE has a request URI containing the 'urn:service:sos.ecall.automatic' service URN.

The example VEDS data structure shows information about a crashed vehicle. The example communicates that the car is a model year 2015 Saab 9-5 (a car which does not exist). The front airbag deployed as a consequence of the crash. The 'VehicleBodyCategoryCode' indicates that the crashed vehicle is a passenger car (the code is set to '101') and that it is not a convertible (the 'ConvertibleIndicator' value is set to 'false').

The 'VehicleCrashPulse' element provides further information about the crash, namely that the force of impact based on the change in velocity over the duration of the crash pulse was 100 MPH. The principal direction of the force of the impact is set to '12' (which refers to 12 O'Clock, corresponding to a frontal collision). This value is described in the 'CrashPulsePrincipalDirectionOfForceValue' element.

The 'CrashPulseRolloverQuarterTurnsValue' indicates the number of quarter turns in concert with a rollover expressed as a number; in our case 1.

No roll bar was deployed, as indicated in
'VehicleRollbarDeployedIndicator' being set to 'false'.

Next, there is information indicating seatbelt and seat sensor data for individual seat positions in the vehicle. In our example, information from the driver seat is available (value '1' in the 'VehicleSeatLocationCategoryCode' element), that the seatbelt was monitored ('VehicleSeatbeltMonitoredIndicator' element), that the seatbelt was fastened ('VehicleSeatbeltFastenedIndicator' element) and the seat sensor determined that the seat was occupied ('VehicleSeatOccupiedIndicator' element).

Finally, information about the weight of the vehicle, which is 600 kilogram in our example.

In addition to the information about the vehicle, further indications are provided, namely the presence of fuel leakage ('FuelLeakingIndicator' element), an indication whether the vehicle was subjected to multiple impacts ('MultipleImpactsIndicator' element), the orientation of the vehicle at final rest ('VehicleFinalRestOrientationCategoryCode' element) and an indication that there are no parts of the vehicle on fire (the 'VehicleFireIndicator' element).

```
INVITE urn:service:sos.ecall.automatic SIP/2.0
To: urn:service:sos.ecall.automatic
From: <sip:+13145551111@example.com>;tag=9fxced76sl
Call-ID: 3848276298220188511@atlanta.example.com
Geolocation: <cid:target123@example.com>
Geolocation-Routing: no
Call-Info: cid:1234567890@atlanta.example.com;
           purpose=EmergencyCallData.VEDS
Call-Info: cid:1234567892@atlanta.example.com;
           purpose=EmergencyCallData.ecall.control
Accept: application/sdp, application/pidf+xml,
        application/emergencyCallData.eCall.control+xml
Recv-Info: emergencyCallData.eCall
Allow: INVITE, ACK, PRACK, INFO, OPTIONS, CANCEL, REFER, BYE,
       SUBSCRIBE, NOTIFY, UPDATE
CSeq: 31862 INVITE
Content-Type: multipart/mixed; boundary=boundary1
Content-Length: ...

--boundary1
Content-Type: application/sdp
```

...Session Description Protocol (SDP) goes here

--boundary1

Content-Type: application/pidf+xml

Content-ID: <target123@atlanta.example.com>

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<presence
  xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:pidf"
  xmlns:dm="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:pidf:data-model"
  xmlns:gp="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:pidf:geopriv10"
  xmlns:dyn="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:pidf:geopriv10:dynamic"
  xmlns:gml="http://www.opengis.net/gml"
  xmlns:gs="http://www.opengis.net/pidflo/1.0"
  entity="sip:+13145551111@example.com">
  <dm:device id="123">
    <gp:geopriv>
      <gp:location-info>
        <gml:Point srsName="urn:ogc:def:crs:EPSG::4326">
          <gml:pos>-34.407 150.883</gml:pos>
        </gml:Point>
        <dyn:Dynamic>
          <dyn:heading>278</dyn:heading>
          <dyn:direction><dyn:direction>
        </dyn:Dynamic>
      </gp:location-info>
      <gp:usage-rules/>
      <method>gps</method>
    </gp:geopriv>
    <timestamp>2012-04-5T10:18:29Z</timestamp>
    <dm:deviceID>1M8GDM9A_KP042788</dm:deviceID>
  </dm:device>
</presence>
```

--boundary1

Content-Type: application/EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml

Content-ID: 1234567890@atlanta.example.com

Content-Disposition: by-reference;handling=optional

```
<?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
<AutomatedCrashNotification xmlns="http://www.veds.org/acn/1.0"
  xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
  xsi:schemaLocation="http://www.veds.org/acn/1.0
    http://www.veds.org/acn/1.0/veds.xsd">
  <Crash>
    <CrashVehicle>
      <ItemMakeName xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
        Saab
      </ItemMakeName>
      <ItemModelName xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
        9-5
      </ItemModelName>
    </CrashVehicle>
  </Crash>
</AutomatedCrashNotification>
```



```
</ItemModelName>
<ItemModelYearDate
  xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
  2015
</ItemModelYearDate>
<Airbag>
  <AirbagCategoryCode>FRONT</AirbagCategoryCode>
  <AirbagDeployedIndicator>true
</AirbagDeployedIndicator>
</Airbag>
<ConvertibleIndicator>false</ConvertibleIndicator>
<PowerSourceCategoryCode>MAIN</PowerSourceCategoryCode>
<VehicleBodyCategoryCode
  xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/domains/jxdm/4.1">
  101
</VehicleBodyCategoryCode>
<VehicleCrashPulse>
  <CrashPulseChangeInVelocityMeasure>
    <MeasurePointValue
      xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
      100
    </MeasurePointValue>
    <MeasureUnitText
      xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
      MPH</MeasureUnitText>
  </CrashPulseChangeInVelocityMeasure>
  <CrashPulsePrincipalDirectionOfForceValue>12
</CrashPulsePrincipalDirectionOfForceValue>
  <CrashPulseRolloverQuarterTurnsValue>1
</CrashPulseRolloverQuarterTurnsValue>
</VehicleCrashPulse>
<VehicleRollbarDeployedIndicator>false
</VehicleRollbarDeployedIndicator>
<VehicleSeat>
  <VehicleSeatLocationCategoryCode>1
</VehicleSeatLocationCategoryCode>
  <VehicleSeatOccupiedIndicator>true
</VehicleSeatOccupiedIndicator>
  <VehicleSeatbeltFastenedIndicator>true
</VehicleSeatbeltFastenedIndicator>
  <VehicleSeatbeltMonitoredIndicator>true
</VehicleSeatbeltMonitoredIndicator>
</VehicleSeat>
<VehicleUnladenWeightMeasure
  xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
  <MeasurePointValue
    xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
    600
```



```

        </MeasurePointValue>
        <MeasureUnitText
          xmlns="http://niem.gov/niem/niem-core/2.0">
            kilogram
          </MeasureUnitText>
        </VehicleUnladenWeightMeasure>
      </CrashVehicle>
      <FuelLeakingIndicator>true</FuelLeakingIndicator>
      <MultipleImpactsIndicator>false</MultipleImpactsIndicator>
      <SevereInjuryIndicator>true</SevereInjuryIndicator>
      <VehicleFinalRestOrientationCategoryCode>Driver
      </VehicleFinalRestOrientationCategoryCode>
      <VehicleFireIndicator>false</VehicleFireIndicator>
    </Crash>
  </AutomatedCrashNotification>

  --boundary1
  Content-Type: application/EmergencyCallData.ecall.control+xml
  Content-ID: 1234567892@atlanta.example.com
  Content-Disposition: by-reference;handling=optional

  <?xml version="1.0" encoding="UTF-8"?>
  <EmergencyCallData.eCallControl
    xmlns="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:ecall:control"
    xmlns:xsi="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema-instance"
    xsi:schemaLocation="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:
      eCall:control">

    <capabilities>
      <request action="send-data" supported-datatypes="VEDS"/>
      <request action="lamp"
        supported-lamps="head;interior;fog-front;fog-rear;
        brake;position-front;position-rear;turn-left;
        turn-right;hazard"/>
      <request action="msg-static" msgid="3"/>
      <request action="msg-dynamic"/>
      <request action="honk"/>
      <request action="enable-camera"
        supported-cameras="backup; interior"/>
    </capabilities>

  </EmergencyCallData.eCallControl>

  --boundary1--

```

Figure 11: SIP INVITE indicating a Vehicle-Initiated Emergency Call

10. Security Considerations

Since this document relies on [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] and [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)], the security considerations described there and in [[RFC5069](#)] apply here. Implementors are cautioned to read and understand the discussion in those documents.

As with emergency service systems where location data is supplied or determined with the assistance of an end host, there is the possibility that that location is incorrect, either intentionally (e.g., in a denial of service attack against the emergency services infrastructure) or due to a malfunctioning device. The reader is referred to [[RFC7378](#)] for a discussion of some of these vulnerabilities.

In addition to the security considerations discussion specific to the metadata/control object in [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)], note that vehicles MAY decline to carry out any requested action (e.g., if the vehicle requires but is unable to verify the certificate used to sign the request). The vehicle MAY use any value in the reason registry to indicate why it did not take an action (e.g., the generic "unable" or the more specific "security-failure").

11. Privacy Considerations

Since this document builds on [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)], which itself builds on [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)], the data structures specified there, and the corresponding privacy considerations discussed there, apply here as well. The VEDS data structure contains optional elements that can carry identifying and personal information, both about the vehicle and about the owner, as well as location information, and so needs to be protected against unauthorized disclosure, as discussed in [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)]. Local regulations may impose additional privacy protection requirements.

12. IANA Considerations

This document registers the 'application/EmergencyCall.VEDS+xml' MIME content type, and adds "VEDS" to the Emergency Call Additional Data registry. This document adds to and creates new sub-registries in the 'eCall Control Data' registry created in [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)].

12.1. MIME Content-type Registration for 'application/ EmergencyCall.VEDS+xml'

This specification requests the registration of a new MIME type according to the procedures of [RFC 4288](#) [[RFC4288](#)] and guidelines in [RFC 3023](#) [[RFC3023](#)].

MIME media type name: application

MIME subtype name: EmergencyCallData.VEDS+xml

Mandatory parameters: none

Optional parameters: charset

Indicates the character encoding of enclosed XML.

Encoding considerations: Uses XML, which can employ 8-bit characters, depending on the character encoding used. See [Section 3.2 of RFC 3023](#) [[RFC3023](#)].

Security considerations:

This content type is designed to carry vehicle crash data during an emergency call.

This data can contain personal information including vehicle VIN, location, direction, etc. Appropriate precautions need to be taken to limit unauthorized access, inappropriate disclosure to third parties, and eavesdropping of this information. Please refer to [Section 7](#) and Section 8 of [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)] for more information.

When this content type is contained in a signed or encrypted body part, the enclosing multipart (e.g., multipart/signed or multipart/encrypted) has the same Content-ID as the data part. This allows an entity to identify and access the data blocks it is interested in without having to dive deeply into the message structure or decrypt parts it is not interested in. (The 'purpose' parameter in a Call-Info header field identifies the data, and the CID URL points to the data block in the body, which has a matching Content-ID body part header field).

Interoperability considerations: None

Published specification: [[VEDS](#)]

Applications which use this media type: Emergency Services

Additional information: None

Magic Number: None

File Extension: .xml

Macintosh file type code: 'TEXT'

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Intended usage: LIMITED USE

Author: This specification is a work item of the IETF ECRIT working group, with mailing list address <ecrit@ietf.org>.

Change controller: The IESG <ietf@ietf.org>

12.2. Registration of the 'VEDS' entry in the Emergency Call Additional Data registry

This specification requests IANA to add the 'VEDS' entry to the Emergency Call Additional Data registry, with a reference to this document. The Emergency Call Additional Data registry has been established by [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data](#)].

12.3. Additions to the eCall Control Extension Registry

This document uses the "eCall Control Extension Registry" to add new elements, attributes, and values to the eCall metadata/control object, as per [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)]:

Type	Name	Description
Attribute	msgid	See Section 7.2 of this document
Attribute	persistance	See Section 7.2 of this document
Attribute	supported-datatypes	See Section 7.2 of this document
Attribute	lamp-action	See Section 7.2 of this document
Attribute	lamp-ID	See Section 7.2 of this document
Attribute	supported-lamps	See Section 7.2 of this document
Attribute	camera-ID	See Section 7.2 of this document
Element	text	See Section 7.4.2 of this document
Element	actionResult	See Section 7.2.1 of this document
Attribute	action	See Section 7.2.1 of this document
Attribute	success	See Section 7.2.1 of this document
Attribute	reason	See Section 7.2.1 of this document
Attribute	details	See Section 7.2.1 of this document

Table 2: eCall Control Extension Registry New Values

12.4. eCall Action Extensions

This document adds new values for the 'action' attribute of the <request> element in the "eCall Control Action Registry" registry created by [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)].

Name	Description
msg-static	Section 7.1 of this document
msg-dynamic	Section 7.1 of this document
honk	Section 7.1 of this document
lamp	Section 7.1 of this document
enable-camera	Section 7.1 of this document

Table 3: eCall Control Action Registry New Values

12.5. eCall Static Message Registry

This document creates a new sub-registry called "eCall Static Message Registry" in the "eCall Control Data" registry established by [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)]. Because all compliant vehicles are expected to support all static messages translated into all languages supported by the vehicle, it is important to limit the number of such messages. As defined in [[RFC5226](#)], this registry operates under "Publication Required" rules, which require a stable, public document and imply expert review of the publication. The expert should determine that the document has been published by an appropriate emergency services organization (e.g., NENA, EENA, APCO) or by the IETF with input from an emergency services organization, and that the proposed message is sufficiently distinguishable from other messages.

The content of this registry includes:

ID: An integer identifier to be used in the 'msgid' attribute of an eCall control <request> element.

Message: The text of the message. Messages are listed in the registry in English; vehicles are expected to implement translations into languages supported by the vehicle.

When new messages are added to the registry, the message text is determined by the registrant; IANA assigns the IDs. Each message is

assigned a consecutive integer value as its ID. This allows an IVS to indicate by a single integer value that it supports all messages with that value or lower.

The initial set of values is listed in Table 4.

ID	Message
1	Emergency authorities are aware of your incident and location, but are unable to speak with you right now. We will help you as soon as possible.

Table 4: eCall Static Message Registry

12.6. eCall Reason Registry

This document creates a new sub-registry called "eCall Reason Registry" in the "eCall Control Data" registry established by [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#). This new sub-registry contains values for the 'reason' attribute of the <actionResult> element. As defined in [\[RFC5226\]](#), this registry operates under "Expert Review" rules. The expert should determine that the proposed reason is sufficiently distinguishable from other reasons and that the proposed description is understandable and correctly worded.

The content of this registry includes:

ID: A short string identifying the reason, for use in the 'reason' attribute of an <actionResult> element.

Description: A description of the reason.

The initial set of values is listed in Table 5.

ID	Description
unsupported	The 'action' is not supported.
unable	The 'action' could not be accomplished.
data-unsupported	The data item referenced in a 'send-data' request is not supported.
security-failure	The authenticity of the request or the authority of the requestor could not be verified.

Table 5: eCall Reason Registry

[12.7.](#) eCall Lamp ID Registry

This document creates a new sub-registry called "eCall Lamp ID Registry" in the "eCall Control Data" registry established by [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#). This new sub-registry standardizes the names of automotive lamps (lights). As defined in [\[RFC5226\]](#), this registry operates under "Expert Review" rules. The expert should determine that the proposed lamp name is clearly understandable and is sufficiently distinguishable from other lamp names.

The content of this registry includes:

Name: The identifier to be used in the 'lamp-ID' attribute of an eCall control <request> element.

Description: A description of the lamp (light).

The initial set of values is listed in Table 6.

Name	Description
head	The main lamps used to light the road ahead
interior	Interior lamp, often at the top center
fog-front	Front fog lamps
fog-rear	Rear fog lamps
brake	Brake indicator lamps
position-front	Front position/parking/standing lamps
position-rear	Rear position/parking/standing lamps
turn-left	Left turn/directional lamps
turn-right	Right turn/directional lamps
hazard	Hazard/four-way lamps

Table 6: eCall Lamp ID Registry Initial Values

12.8. eCall Camera ID Registry

This document creates a new sub-registry called "eCall Camera ID Registry" in the "eCall Control Data" registry established by [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#). This new sub-registry standardizes the names of automotive camera. As defined in [\[RFC5226\]](#), this registry operates under "Expert Review" rules. The expert should determine that the proposed camera name is clearly understandable and is sufficiently distinguishable from other camera names.

The content of this registry includes:

Name: The identifier to be used in the 'camera-ID' attribute of an eCall control <request> element.

Description: A description of the camera.

The initial set of values is listed in Table 7.

Name	Description
backup	Shows what is behind the vehicle, e.g., often used for driver display when the vehicle is in reverse. Also known as rearview, reverse, etc.
left-rear	Shows view to the left and behind (e.g., left side rear-view mirror or blind spot view)
right-rear	Shows view to the right and behind (e.g., right side rear-view mirror or blind spot view)
forward	Shows what is in front of the vehicle
rear-wide	Shows what is behind vehicle (e.g., used by rear-collision detection systems), separate from backup view
lane	Used by systems to identify road lane and/or monitor vehicle's position within lane
interior	Shows the interior (e.g., driver)
night-front	Night-vision view of what is in front of the vehicle

Table 7: eCall Camera ID Registry Initial Values

13. eCall Control Block Schema

This section presents an XML schema of the eCall control block after applying the extensions defined in this document. Note that the text is normative; this schema is informative.

```
<?xml version="1.0"?>
<xs:schema
```

```
targetNamespace="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:eCall:control"
  xmlns:xs="http://www.w3.org/2001/XMLSchema"
  xmlns:pi="urn:ietf:params:xml:ns:EmergencyCallData:eCall-control"
  xmlns:xml="http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace"
  elementFormDefault="qualified"
  attributeFormDefault="unqualified">

  <xs:import namespace="http://www.w3.org/XML/1998/namespace"
```

schemaLocation="http://www.w3.org/2009/01/xml.xsd"/>

```
<xs:element name="EmergencyCallData.eCallControl"
  type="pi:eCallControlType"/>

<xs:complexType name="eCallControlType">
  <xs:complexContent>
    <xs:restriction base="xs:anyType">
      <xs:choice>
        <xs:element name="capabilities"
          type="pi:capabilitiesType"/>
        <xs:element name="request" type="pi:requestType"/>
        <xs:element name="ack" type="pi:ackType"/>
        <xs:any namespace="##other" processContents="lax"
          minOccurs="0"
          maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
      </xs:choice>
      <xs:anyAttribute/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:complexType name="ackType">
  <xs:complexContent>
    <xs:restriction base="xs:anyType">
      <xs:sequence minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded">
        <xs:element name="actionResult" minOccurs="0"
          maxOccurs="unbounded">
          <xs:complexType>
            <xs:attribute name="action"
              type="xs:token"
              use="required"/>
            <xs:attribute name="success"
              type="xs:boolean"
              use="required"/>
            <xs:attribute name="reason"
              type="xs:token">
              <xs:annotation>
                <xs:documentation>conditionally
                  mandatory when @success='false'
                  to indicate reason code for a
                  failure </xs:documentation>
              </xs:annotation>
            </xs:attribute>
            <xs:attribute name="details"
              type="xs:string"/>
            <xs:anyAttribute processContents="skip"/>
          </xs:complexType>
        </xs:sequence>
      </xs:restriction>
    </xs:complexContent>
  </xs:complexType>
```



```

        </xs:element>
        <xs:any namespace="##other" processContents="lax"
            minOccurs="0"
            maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
    </xs:sequence>
    <xs:attribute name="ref"
        type="xs:anyURI"
        use="required"/>
    <xs:attribute name="received"
        type="xs:boolean"/>
    <xs:anyAttribute/>
</xs:restriction>
</xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:complexType name="capabilitiesType">
    <xs:complexContent>
        <xs:restriction base="xs:anyType">
            <xs:sequence minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded">
                <xs:element name="request"
                    type="pi:requestType"
                    minOccurs="1"
                    maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
                <xs:any namespace="##other" processContents="lax"
                    minOccurs="0"
                    maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
            </xs:sequence>
            <xs:anyAttribute/>
        </xs:restriction>
    </xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>

<xs:complexType name="requestType">
    <xs:complexContent>
        <xs:restriction base="xs:anyType">
            <xs:choice minOccurs="1" maxOccurs="unbounded">
                <xs:any namespace="##other" processContents="lax"
                    minOccurs="0"
                    maxOccurs="unbounded"/>
            </xs:choice>
            <xs:attribute name="action" type="xs:token" use="required"/

>
            <xs:attribute name="msgid" type="xs:unsignedInt"/>
            <xs:attribute name="persistence" type="xs:duration"/>
            <xs:attribute name="datatype" type="xs:token"/>
            <xs:attribute name="supported-datatypes" type="xs:string"/>

```

```
<xs:attribute name="lamp-id" type="xs:token"/>
```

```
<xs:attribute name="lamp-action">
  <xs:simpleType>
    <xs:restriction base="xs:string">
      <xs:pattern value=""/>
      <xs:pattern value=""/>
      <xs:enumeration value="on"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="off"/>
      <xs:enumeration value="flash"/>
    </xs:restriction>
  </xs:simpleType>
</xs:attribute>
<xs:attribute name="supported-lamps" type="xs:string"/>
<xs:attribute name="camera-id" type="xs:token"/>
<xs:attribute name="supported-cameras" type="xs:string"/>
<xs:anyAttribute/>
</xs:restriction>
</xs:complexContent>
</xs:complexType>

</xs:schema>
```

Figure 12: eCall Control Block Schema

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16. Changes from Previous Versions

16.1. Changes from [draft-ietf-07](#) to [draft-ietf-08](#)

- o Moved much of the metadata/control object from [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall\]](#) to this document as extensions
- o Editorial clarifications and simplifications
- o Moved "Call Routing" to be a subsection of "Call Setup"
- o Deleted "Profile" section and moved some of its text into "Introduction"

16.2. Changes from [draft-ietf-06](#) to [draft-ietf-07](#)

- o Minor editorial changes

16.3. Changes from [draft-ietf-05](#) to [draft-ietf-06](#)

- o Added clarifying text regarding signed and encrypted data
- o Additional informative text in "Migration to Next-Generation" section
- o Additional clarifying text regarding security and privacy.

16.4. Changes from [draft-ietf-04](#) to [draft-ietf-05](#)

- o Reworded security text in main document and in MIME registration for the VEDS object

16.5. Changes from [draft-ietf-03](#) to [draft-ietf-04](#)

- o Added example VEDS object
- o Additional clarifications and corrections
- o Removed references from Abstract
- o Moved Document Scope section to follow Introduction

16.6. Changes from [draft-ietf-02](#) to [draft-ietf-03](#)

- o Additional clarifications and corrections

16.7. Changes from [draft-ietf-01](#) to [draft-ietf-02](#)

- o This document now refers to [[I-D.ietf-ecrit-ecall](#)] for technical aspects including the service URN; this document no longer proposes a unique service URN for non-eCall NG-ACN calls; the same service URN is now used for all NG-ACN calls including NG-eCall and non-eCall
- o Added discussion of an NG-ACN call placed to a PSAP that doesn't support it
- o Minor wording improvements and clarifications

16.8. Changes from [draft-ietf-00](#) to [draft-ietf-01](#)

- o Added further discussion of test calls
- o Added further clarification to the document scope
- o Mentioned that multi-region vehicles may need to support other crash notification specifications such as eCall
- o Minor wording improvements and clarifications

16.9. Changes from [draft-gellens-02](#) to [draft-ietf-00](#)

- o Renamed from [draft-gellens-](#) to [draft-ietf-](#)
- o Added text to Introduction to clarify that during a CS ACN, the PSAP call taker usually needs to listen to the data and transcribe it

16.10. Changes from [draft-gellens-01](#) to -02

- o Fixed case of 'EmergencyCallData', in accordance with changes to [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#)

16.11. Changes from [draft-gellens-00](#) to -01

- o Now using 'EmergencyCallData' for purpose parameter values and MIME subtypes, in accordance with changes to [\[I-D.ietf-ecrit-additional-data\]](#)
- o Added reference to [RFC 6443](#)
- o Fixed bug that caused Figure captions to not appear

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