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## **FCC E-911 BACKGROUND**

- o THE NUMBER OF 911 CALLS PLACED BY PEOPLE USING WIRELESS PHONES HAS RADICALLY INCREASED. PUBLIC SAFETY PERSONNEL ESTIMATE THAT ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF THE MILLIONS OF 911 CALLS THEY RECEIVE DAILY ARE PLACED FROM WIRELESS PHONES, AND THAT PERCENTAGE IS GROWING
- o THERE ARE OVER 1,000,000,000 CELL PHONES BEING USED IN THE WORLD

# FCC PHASE II E-911 RULES REQUIRE WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS TO:

- O WITHIN SIX MONTHS OF A VALID REQUEST BY A PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINT (PSAP), PROVIDE MORE PRECISE LOCATION INFORMATION TO PSAPS; SPECIFICALLY, THE LATITUDE AND LONGITUDE OF THE CALLER. THIS INFORMATION MUST BE ACCURATE TO WITHIN 50 TO 300 METERS DEPENDING ON THE TYPE OF TECHNOLOGY USED.
- O BY SEPTEMBER 11, 2012, PROVIDE EVEN MORE PRECISE LOCATION INFORMATION, SPECIFICALLY, INFORMATION ACCURATE TO THE CLOSEST PSAP. THE FCC ESTABLISHED A FIVE YEAR PHASE-IN PERIOD FOR THIS REQUIREMENT TO ALLOW WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS MORE TIME TO DEVELOP THIS CAPABILITY. WIRELESS SERVICE PROVIDERS MUST REPORT TO THE FCC ANNUALLY ON THEIR PROGRESS IN SUPPLYING THIS MORE ACCURATE LOCATION INFORMATION FOR PSAPS WITH PHASE II E911 CAPABILITY.

## WHY IS E-LORAN THE CHOICE FOR E-911?

- SIGNAL AVAILABILITY IN MOST ENVIRONMENTS & THROUGHOUT USA
- E-LORAN RECEIVER TECHNOLOGY IS AVAILABLE
- o POSITION FIX POSSIBLE IN <30SEC
- o GPS IS LIMITED IN MOST E-911 CALL LOCATIONS
- TRILATERATION WITH CELL TOWERS IS LIMITED IN ACCURACY
- o ANTENNA CONSTRAINTS CAN BE RESOLVED
- **o E-LORAN IS THE ONLY VIABLE SOLUTION**

## **oCHALLENGING REQUIREMENTS**

**o RECEIVER CONFIGURATION** 

**o BENEFITS** 

# **CHALLENGING REQUIREMENTS**

o RAPID, ACCURATE CELL PHONE/RECEIVER
LOCATION DATA RELATIVE TO PSAP LOCATION

o COMPACT, SENSITIVE ANTENNA DESIGN COMPATIBLE WITH 911 ENVIRONMENT

o PACKAGING OF EXISTING DESIGN

# RAPID, ACCURATE RECEIVER PERFORMANCE ENABLED VIA EXISTING DESIGN

- HI DYNAMIC RANGE, LOW TIME TO CONVERT, ANALOG TO DIGITAL CONVERTERS (ADC) – (CLOCK PERIOD < TOA RESOLUTION)
- o DIG SIG PROC (DSP) ARRAYS AND MICROPROCESSOR
  BASED CODE
- o DIGITAL FILTERING OF INTERFERENCE FROM CW AND CROSS-RATE SIGNALS DIGITAL FILTERING OF INTERFERENCE FROM CW AND CROSS-RATE SIGNALS

## **HIGH DYNAMIC RANGE ADCs**

- o ADC SPEEDS UP TO 100 MHZ READILY AVAILABLE
- o 20MHZ RATE IS DESIRABLE
- o NEEDED TO PROCESS PULSE BY PULSE LINEAR DATA
  REDUCTION
- o COST HAS DROPPED DRAMATICALLY

## **DSP ARRAYS & INTEGRATED DEVICES**

- o DIG SIG PROC DSP PREPARES CONVERTED DATA PER
  MICROPROCESSOR BASED ADC DATA REDUCTION ALGORITHMS
- o MICROPROCESSOR BASED SOLUTIONS FOR POSITION

  LOCATION AND OUTPUT INTERFACE ALGORITHMS
- o PROGRAM MEMORY AND DATA RAM INTEGRATED WITH
  MICROPROCESSOR

## **DIGITAL FILTERING PROVIDES**

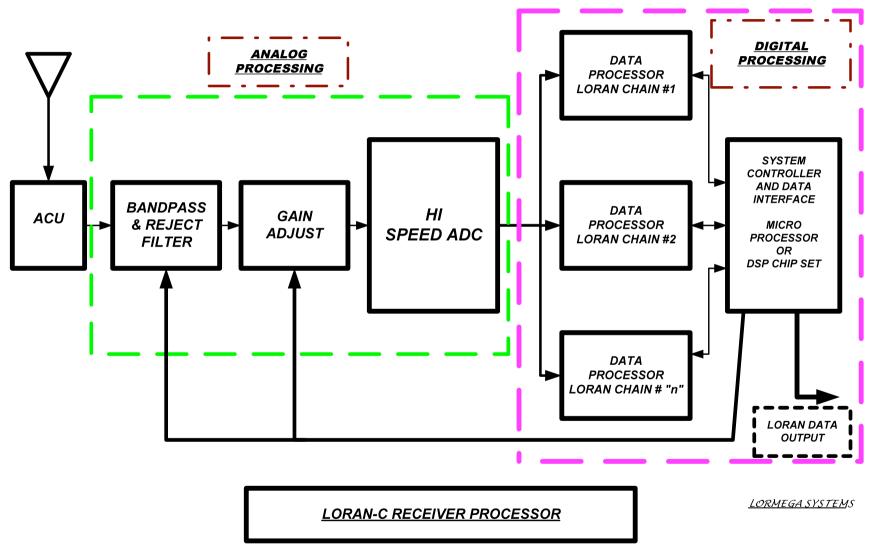
- o REJECTION OF SYNCHRONOUS & NON-SYNCHRONOUS INTERFERENCE FROM CW AND CROSS-RATE SIGNALS VIA LINEAR DATA PROCESSING
- O LIMITED REJECTION ANALOG FILTERS AND THEIR RELATED ADVERSE CONTAMINATION EFFECT UPON LEADING EDGE OF THE SAMPLED PULSE SHAPE
- o MUCH IMPROVED PULSE ENVELOPE/CYCLE RESOLUTION PERFORMANCE- 30 SEC TIME TO POSITION FIX
- o INTERFERENCE REJECTION RELIES UPON CURRENT PULSE PHASE CODING PATTERNS FOR MASTER & SLAVE SIGNALS

## COMPACT, SENSITIVE ANTENNA DESIGN COMPATIBLE WITH 911 ENVIRONMENT

- o E-911 CALLER MAY BE IN ONE OF MANY POSSIBLE ENVIRONMENTS
- o ANTENNA SHOULD DEPLOY UPON INITIATION OF 911 CALL
- o DESIGN SHALL FOLD OR TELESCOPE INTO CELL PHONE AT CONCLUSION OF CALL
- MUST PROVIDE FOR RECEPTION INSIDE BUILDINGS, INSIDE VEHICLES, UNDER FOLIAGE, etc. COVERING SCENARIOS NOT POSSIBLE WITH GPS. E-911 CALLS ARE NOT LIMITED TO UNOBSTRUCTED OUTDOOR CONDITIONS LIKE GPS.
- o THIS IS PERHAPS MOST SIGNIFICANT LORAN ANTENNA DESIGN CHALLENGE TO DATE

## RECEIVER CONFIGURATION

- PROTOTYPE WAS DEMONSTRATED IN 2001 AT MEGAPULSE & USCG STATION WILDWOOD, NJ
- UNCERTAINTY OF LORAN FUTURE AND MARKET SKEPTICISM PUT ALL EFFORTS ON HOLD
- FUNDING NEEDED TO DEVELOP CUSTOM CIRCUITS TO FIT IN CELL PHONE
- o THE UNCERTAINTY IS BLESSING IN DISGUISE DUE TO RAPID PACE OF TECHNOLOGY THAT IS AVAILABLE TODAY
- DEVELOPED SW IS DIRECTLY APPLICABLE TO NEW DESIGN CONFIGURATION



## RESULTS OF APPLYING CURRENT TECHNOLOGY

- o HIGH PERFORMANCE (30 SEC, ACCURATE POSITION FIX RELATIVE TO PSAP)
- o FLEXIBLE DESIGN
- o LOW COST THROUGH USE OF READILY AVAILABLE ADC & DSP DEVICES
- o COMPATIBLE WITH ANY MICROPROCESSOR ORIENTED PLATFORM, (HANDHELD, ETC)

# **BENEFITS**

- o MEETS CRITERIA FOR E-911 POSITION LOCATION REQUIREMENTS MANDATED BY US FCC
- o DESIGN IS ADAPTABLE TO LORAN BASED DATA COMMUNICATION SYSTEMS
- o TRACK MULTI-CHAIN DATA WITH ADDITION OF ONE DSP DEVICE + SW, PER ADDED CHAIN. ADDED DEVICES MAY BE INCLUDED IN COMMON ARRAY.
- WITH ANTENNA DEPLOYED, POSITION FIXES ARE READILY AVAILABLE FOR FULL TIME USE IF DESIRED