

San Joaquin County EMS Agency
 Additional Ambulance RFP Questions and Answers
 August 17, 2005

Who	Question	Answer
City of Tracy Fire Department	<p>I understand the County EMS Agency may establish enforceable policies and procedures governing dispatch and as part of enforcing those policies and procedures the EMS Agency has the ability to review and approve Emergency Medical Dispatch ("EMD") services. However, I respectfully request that you provide me with any statutory authority that allows a local EMS Agency to change Emergency Medical Dispatch from a current, legally compliant, provider to a new entity, such as appears possible under section 4.2.2 of the San Joaquin County Emergency Ambulance RFP.</p>	<p>The Emergency Medical Services System and Prehospital Emergency Medical Care Personnel Act of 1980; Specifically Health and Safety Code § 1797.220, et. seq.</p> <p>The RFP is designed to raise the level of EMS dispatch services to a recognized national standard and ensure continued adherence to that standard including system notifications. As a result of the RFP and selection process, overall system performance will be enhanced.</p>