

In Mississippi thousands of cell phones have made their way into correctional facilities, these phones are being used by inmate to continue their criminal enterprises inside and outside the facilities which hold them. These communication devices in the hands of inmate are endangering public safety. Cell phones have been used to put hits on corrects staff, witness and anyone who impede their objectives. In Mississippi the cell phone contraband business is estimated at a million dollar business.

The purpose of the STA is to demonstrate the functionality of a Managed Access mobile radio communications system, which provides for the controlling and access of cellular communication within a correctional setting. The Managed Access system is specifically designed for deployment a prisons and Jails. This Managed Access solution is being deployed as an alternative to jamming cell phone in a correctional environment. The effectiveness of this program is critical to the stake holders of the wireless community.