CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER MEMO

Agenda Item Number_____

Meeting Type: Regular

Meeting Date: 3/14/2013

Action Requested By:
EMA

Agenda Item Type
Resolution

Subject Matter:

Acceptance of ALDHS grant (1 ICL)

Exact Wording for the Agenda:

Authorizing the Mayor to accept a grant from the Alabama Department of Homeland Security.

Note: If amendment, please state title and number of the original

Item to be considered for: Action

Unanimous Consent Required: No

Briefly state why the action is required; why it is recommended; what Council action will provide, allow
and accomplish and; any other information that might be helpful.

This grant will fund operating expenses for the regional communications vehicle. No matching funds are required.

Associated Cost: 8000.00

Budgeted Item: Yes

MAYOR RECOMMENDS OR CONCURS: Select...

Department Head: _____

Date: 2/14/2013

revised 3/12/2012

ROUTING SLIP
CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

Originating Department: **EMA** Council Meeting Date: **3/14/2013**

Department Contact: **Bill Sizemore** Phone # **5130**

Contract or Agreement: **Cooperative Agreement State Homeland Security Grant Program, Assistance A...**

Document Name: **Cooperative agreement State Homeland Security Grant Program, Assistance Allocatio...**

City Obligation Amount:

Total Project Budget: **8000.00**

Uncommitted Account Balance:

Account Number: **01-5266-0510-xxxx**

Procurement Agreements

Not Applicable	**Not Applicable**

Grant-Funded Agreements

State Other	**Grant Name:** 1 ICL

Department	Signature	Date
1) Originating	Bill Sizemore	2/14/13
2) Legal	Mary C. Cates	2/19/13
3) Finance		2/17
4) Originating		
5) Copy Distribution		
a. Mayor's office (1 copies)		
b. Clerk-Treasurer (Original & 2 copies)		

Revised 04/15/2011

RESOLUTION NO. 13-_____

BE IT RESOLVED by the City of Huntsville, Alabama, that the Mayor be, and he is hereby authorized to enter into an Agreement by and between the City of Huntsville and the Alabama Department of Homeland Security, on behalf of the City of Huntsville, a municipal corporation in the State of Alabama, which said agreement is substantially in words and figures similar to that certain document attached hereto and identified as "Cooperative Agreement State Homeland Security Grant Program, Assistance Allocation-Letter of Agreement (1 ICL)" consisting of a total of twelve (12) pages, and the date of March 14, 2013, appearing on the margin of the first page, together with the signature of the President or President Pro Tem of the City Council, an executed copy of said document being permanently kept on file in the Office of the City Clerk-Treasurer of the City of Huntsville, Alabama.

ADOPTED this the 14th day of March, 2013.

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President of the City Council of
The City of Huntsville, Alabama

APPROVED this the 14th day of March, 2013.

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Mayor of the City of
Huntsville, Alabama

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ASSISTANCE ALLOCATION – LETTER OF AGREEMENT

1. Grantee Name & Address: Madison County EMA PO Box 308 Huntsville, AL 35804-0308		**2. Issuing Office & Address:** Alabama Department of Homeland Security PO Box 304115 Montgomery, AL 36130-4115	
3. FY 2011	**4. Amount of:** Federal: $8,000.00 Total: $8,000.00	**5. Effective Dates** Begin:1/1/2013 End: 1/31/2014	**6. Grant Number:** 1ICL

Madison County EMA is herein referred to as the Sub-grantee, the Alabama Department of Homeland Security is herein referred to as AL DHS, and FY 2011 is herein referred to as the Agreement Fiscal Year.

1. Applicable Federal Regulations: The sub-grantee must comply with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), as applicable: 2 CFR Part 220, Cost Principles for Educational Institutions; 2 CFR Part 225, Cost Principles for State and Local Governments; 2 CFR Part 230, Cost Principles for Non-Profit Organizations; and 2 CFR Part 215, Institutions of Higher Education, Hospitals, and Other Non-Profit Organizations. Also, the sub-grantee must comply with the provisions of 44 CFR: Emergency Management and Assistance, applicable to grants and cooperative agreements including Part 13, Uniform Administrative Requirements for Grants and Cooperative Agreements to State and Local Governments. In addition, the sub-grantee must comply with Federal Acquisition Regulation Sub-part 31.2, Contracts with Commercial Organizations.

2. Allowable Costs: The allowability of costs incurred under any grant shall be determined in accordance with the general principles of allowability and standards for selected cost items as set forth in the applicable Code of Federal Regulation referenced above.

3. Audit Requirements: The sub-grantee agrees to comply with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Further, records with respect to all matters covered by this grant shall be made available for audit and inspection by AL DHS and/or any of its duly authorized representatives. If required, the audit report must specifically cite that the report was done in accordance with OMB Circular A-133. If a compliance audit is not required, a written certification must be provided at the end of each audit period stating that the sub-grantee has not expended the amount of federal funds that would require a compliance audit. The sub-grantee agrees to accept these requirements.

4. Non-Supplanting Agreement: The sub-grantee shall not use grantor funds to supplant state or local funds or other resources that would otherwise have been made available for this program. Further, if a position created by a grant is filled from within, the vacancy created by this action must be filled within 30 days. If the vacancy is not filled within 30 days, the sub-grantee must stop charging the grant for the new position. Upon filling the vacancy, the sub-grantee may resume charging for the grant position.

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5. Project Implementation: The sub-grantee agrees to implement this project within 90 days following the grant award effective date or be subject to automatic cancellation of the grant. Evidence of project implementation must be detailed in the first Biannual Strategy Implementation Report (BSIR).

6. Written Approval of Changes: Any mutually agreed upon changes to this sub-grant must be approved, in writing, by AL DHS prior to implementation or obligation and shall be incorporated in written amendments to this grant. This procedure for changes to the approved sub-grant is not limited to budgetary changes, but also includes changes of substance in project activities and changes in the project director or key professional personnel identified in the approved application.

7. Individual Consultants: Billings for individual consultants/contractors must include at a minimum: a description of services; dates of services; number of hours for services performed; rate charged for services; and, the total cost of services performed. Individual consultant costs must be within the prevailing rates.

8. Bidding Requirements: The sub-grantee must comply with proper competitive bidding procedures as required by 28 CFR Part 66 (formerly OMB Circular A-102) or OMB Circular A-110, as applicable, and pertinent provisions of the Code of Alabama, including, but not limited to, Section 11-47-6.

9. Personnel and Travel Costs: The US DHS Financial Guide is the source document for all homeland security related financial matters, including personnel and travel costs. Subgrantees must comply with the provisions in this guide. This guide has been distributed by AL DHS annually during the past several years and is available upon request. Personnel and travel costs must also be consistent with the jurisdiction's policies and procedures, and must be applied uniformly to both federally financed and locally financed activities of the agency. In the absence of jurisdictional requirements, travel costs must not exceed the rate set by state regulation, a copy of which is available upon request. *However, at no time can the agency's travel and lodging expenses rates exceed the federal rates established by the U.S. General Services Administration (GSA).* Also note that the US DHS Financial Guide provides a listing of unauthorized expenses. Be advised that tips while on travel are normally not allowable and food/beverage expenses are restricted.

10. Terms of Grant Period: Grant funds may not be obligated prior to the effective date of the grant. The final request for payment must be submitted no later than thirty (30) calendar days after the end of the grant period. Also, any obligation of grant funds dated after the expiration of the grant period will not be eligible for reimbursement.

11. Utilization and Payment of Grant Funds: Funds awarded are to be expended only for purposes and activities covered by the subgrantees approved project plan and budget. Items must be in the sub-grantee's approved grant budget and documented in the budget detail worksheet in order to be eligible for reimbursement. Payments will be adjusted to correct previous overpayments and disallowances or under payments resulting from audit. Grants failing to meet this requirement, without prior written approval, are subject to cancellation.

12. Recording and Documentation of Receipts and Expenditures: Sub-grantee's accounting procedures must provide for accurate and timely recording of receipt of funds by source of expenditures made from such funds and unexpended balances. These records must contain information pertaining to grant awards, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, liabilities, expenditures and program income. Controls must be established which are adequate to ensure that expenditures charged to the sub-grant activities are for allowable purposes. Equipment purchases may only include items approved in the AEL (Authorized Equipment List). Additionally, effective control and accountability must be maintained for all grant cash, real and personal property and other assets. Accounting records must be supported by such source documentation as cancelled checks, paid bills, payrolls, time and attendance records, contract documents, grant award documents, etc.

13. Financial Responsibility: The financial responsibility of sub-grantees must be such that the sub-grantee can properly discharge the public trust which accompanies the authority to expend public funds. Adequate accounting systems shall meet the following minimum criteria:

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a. Accounting records should provide information needed to adequately identify the receipt of funds under each grant awarded and the expenditure of funds for each grant;

b. Entries in accounting records should refer to subsidiary records and/or documentation which support the entry and which can be readily located;

c. The accounting system should provide accurate and current financial reporting information; and,

d. The accounting system should be integrated with an adequate system of internal controls to safeguard the funds and assets covered, check the accuracy and reliability of accounting data, promote operational efficiency and encourage adherence to prescribed management policies.

14. Property Control:

a. Effective control and accountability must be maintained for all property. Sub-grantees must adequately safeguard all such property and must assure that it is used solely for authorized purposes. Sub-grantees should ensure proper use, maintenance, protection and preservation of such property.

b. Subject to the obligations and conditions set forth in 28 CFR Part 66 (formerly OMB Circular A-102), title to non-expendable property acquired in whole or in part with grant funds shall be vested in the sub-grantee. Non-expendable property is defined as any item having a useful life of more than one year and an acquisition cost of $5,000 or more per unit.

c. Use and Disposition: Equipment shall be used by the sub-grantee in the program or project for which it was acquired as long as needed, whether or not the program or project continues to be supported by federal funds. Theft, destruction, or loss of property shall be reported to AL DHS immediately. Property will only be transferred for property disposal if it is certified as no longer serviceable and coordinated in advance with AL DHS.

d. Vehicles: The AEL, section 12 (Vehicles) indicates that special-purpose vehicles may be purchased and used only for the transport of CBRNE terrorism response equipment and personnel to the incident site. *These vehicles may not be used for routine administration or daily operations*. The mileage for all vehicles purchased with homeland security grant funds will be checked annually during periodic monitoring visits. Licensing, registration, insurance and other fees are the responsibility of the jurisdiction and are not allowable under this grant. In addition, general purpose vehicles (patrol cars, executive transportation, etc.), fire apparatus and non-CBRNE tactical/armored assault vehicles are not allowable.

e. Equipment: The sub-grantee agrees that, when practicable, any equipment purchased with grant funding shall be prominently marked as follows: Purchased with funds provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Decals displaying the AL DHS logo and the above phrasing may be obtained by contacting the Alabama Department of Homeland Security.

15. Performance: This grant may be terminated or fund payments discontinued by AL DHS where it finds a substantial failure to comply with the provisions of the legislation governing these funds or regulations promulgated, including those grant conditions or other obligations established by AL DHS. In the event the sub-grantee fails to perform the services described herein and has previously received financial assistance from AL DHS, the sub-grantee shall reimburse AL DHS the full amount of the payments made. However, if the services described herein are partially performed, and the sub-grantee has previously received financial assistance, the sub-grantee shall proportionally reimburse AL DHS for payments made.

16. Deobligation of Grant Funds: All expenditures of grant funds must be completed and the grant closed out within thirty (30) calendar days of the end of the grant period. Failure to close out the grant in a timely manner will result in an automatic deobligation of the remaining grant funds by AL DHS.

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17. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA): The sub-grantee must comply with all requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA), as applicable.

18. Compliance with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 (Handicapped): All recipients of federal funds must comply with Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973. Therefore, the federal funds recipient pursuant to the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 hereby gives assurance that no otherwise qualified handicapped person shall, solely by reason of handicap, be excluded from the participation in, be denied the benefits of or be subject to discrimination, including discrimination in employment, in any program or activity that receives or benefits from federal financial assistance. The recipient agrees it will ensure that requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973 shall be included in the agreements with and be binding on all of its sub-grantee, contractors, subcontractors, assignees or successors.

19. Utilization of Minority Businesses: Sub-grantees are encouraged to utilize qualified minority firms where cost and performance of major contract work will not conflict with funding or time schedules.

20. Political Activity: None of the funds, materials, property or services provided directly or indirectly under this contract shall be used for any partisan political activity, or to further the election or defeat of any candidate for public office, or otherwise in violation of the provisions of the "Hatch Act."

21. Debarment Certification: With the signing of the grant application, the sub-grantee agrees to comply with Federal Debarment and Suspension regulations as outlined in the "Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion -Lower Tier Covered Transactions" form.

22. Drug-Free Workplace Certification: This Certification is required by the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988. The federal regulations, published in the January 31, 1989, Federal Register, require certification by state agency sub-grantees that they will maintain a drug-free workplace. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when AL DHS determines to award the grant. False certification or violation of the certification shall be grounds for suspension of payments, suspension or termination of the grant, or government-wide suspension or debarment.

23. Publications: The sub-grantee agrees that all publications created with funding under this grant shall prominently contain the following statement: "This Document was prepared under a grant from the Office of Grants & Training (G&T), FEMA. Points of view or opinions expressed in this document are those of the authors and do not necessarily represent the official position or policies of G&T or the U.S. Department of Homeland Security". The sub-grantee also agrees that one copy of any such publication will be submitted to AL DHS to be placed on file and distributed as appropriate to other potential sub-grantees or interested parties. AL DHS may waive the requirement for submission of any specific publication upon submission of a request providing justification from the sub-grantee.

24. Closed-Captioning of Public Service Announcements: Any television public service announcement that is produced or funded in whole or in part by any agency or instrumentality of the federal government shall include closed captioning of the verbal content of such announcement.

25. Fiscal Regulations: The fiscal administration of grants shall be subject to such further rules, regulations and policies concerning accounting and records, payment of funds, cost allowability, submission of financial reports, etc., as may be prescribed by AL DHS Guidelines or "Special Conditions" placed on the grant award.

26. Compliance Agreement: The sub-grantee agrees to abide by all Terms and Conditions including "Special Conditions" placed upon the grant award by AL DHS. Failure to comply could result in a "Stop Payment" being placed on the grant.

27. Leasing of Space: Requests to lease space for any purpose must be coordinated in advance with AL DHS at annual program briefings and documented/approved in budget detail worksheets. Specific provisions are provided below.

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a. Equipment Storage: Rental or leasing of space for a newly acquired allowable equipment items is allowable. Grant funds may be used to cover only the portion of the rental/lease period that occurs during the grant project period. Supplanting of previously planned or budgeted activities is strictly prohibited.

b. Exercises: Rental or leasing of space for design, development, conduct and evaluation of exercises is allowable. This includes the costs related to the rental of space/locations for both exercise planning and conduct.

c. Office Space: Leasing of office space is generally not authorized. In certain cases, it may be approved based on the requirements for hiring new personnel. The request to lease space for new personnel must be coordinated in advance with AL DHS. If approved, the total cost of space may not exceed the rental cost of comparable space and facilities in a privately-owned building in the same locality. Information to demonstrate that a comparison was conducted by the sub-grantee regarding current market costs for space in the same locale should be made available upon request by the State Administrating Agency (AL DHS) or its representative for audit purposes. The cost of space procured for program usage may not be charged to the program for periods of non-occupancy. Rent cannot be paid if the building is owned by the sub-grantee or if the sub-grantee has a substantial financial interest in the property. The total square footage covered by the lease, total square footage being charged to the grant (based on the amount needed for program implementation) and the cost per square foot agreement must be provided to the SAA (AL DHS). A copy of the signed lease agreement must be submitted to the SAA before reimbursement is made for space. Please note that the grant can only be charged for the grant's portion of rental costs. The grant cannot be used for mortgage payments as this is unallowable.

28. Suspension or Termination of Funding: AL DHS may suspend, in whole or in part, and/or terminate funding for or impose another sanction on a sub-grantee for any of the following reasons:

a. Failure to comply substantially with the requirements or statutory objectives of the 2003 Omnibus Appropriations Act issued there under, or other provisions of Federal Law.

b. Failure to adhere to the requirements, standard conditions or special conditions of this grant, including property accountability and vehicle usage.

c. Proposing or implementing substantial program changes to the extent that, if originally submitted, the agreement would not have been approved for funding.

d. Failure to submit reports on a semi-annual basis and as otherwise required.

e. Filing a false certification in this application or other report or document.

f. Other good cause shown.

29. National Incident Management System (NIMS): The State met the NIMS compliance requirements in order to receive FY12 homeland security grant funding. The jurisdictions and agencies that established NIMSCAST accounts and submitted their annual rollups by the annual deadline are also eligible to receive FY12 homeland security grant funding.

a. County subgrantees of FY12 homeland security grants (i.e., those that met the NIMS compliance requirements) may only allocate or use HS funding for those cities, towns, and agencies that also met the annual NIMS deadline. The listing of NIMS compliant jurisdictions and agencies will be documented, maintained, and distributed by the NIMS point of contact at AEMA.

b. If a County allocates or uses FY12 HS funding for a city, town or agency that is not NIMS compliant, then AL DHS will not be able to process the reimbursement request and it will be returned without action.

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30. Alabama Mutual Aid System Agreement (AMAS): When funding is provided for Alabama Mutual Aid System (AMAS) related activities, the sub-grantee agrees to remain a party to the AMAS program.

31. Budget Detail Worksheet (BDW):

a. The sub-grantee agrees to submit a Budget Detail Worksheet to the Alabama Department of Homeland Security (AL DHS) and must await formal approval of the worksheet in writing from AL DHS prior to obligating funds, making commitments, or purchasing any of the items requested. The worksheet submitted by the sub-grantee will provide a complete and detailed description of the items (equipment, training, and exercises) to be purchased and will also provide a valid estimate of the actual quantities and costs involved. Care should be taken to ensure the items requested on the worksheet are allowable in accordance with the US DHS grant guidance, and if equipment, listed on the current version of the Authorized Equipment List (AEL). Copies of the fiscal year grant guidance and the current version of the AEL are available on the AL DHS web site at www.homelandsecurity.alabama.gov. Additionally, a revised worksheet must be submitted for addition or deletion of all items from the original worksheet. If additions, deletions, or changes in cost total $5000.00 or more, a new sign-off sheet by stakeholders is also required. Electronic copies of budget detail worksheet must be submitted within 60 days of receipt of this grant. The electronic budget detail worksheet is a requirement in addition to the paper copies that may have been submitted previously.

b. Special Instructions: In regard to law enforcement, the sub-grantee agrees to spend the appropriate percentage of this grant in compliance with US DHS grant guidance and AL DHS special instructions. Additionally, the amount to be spent and the percentage for the expenditures for law enforcement will be documented in a letter and attached to the budget detail worksheet.

32. Metropolitan Medical Response System (MMRS):

a. The MMRS leadership shall ensure that local strategic goals, objectives, operational capabilities, and resource requirements align with State's Homeland Security Strategies. The responsibilities of MMRS sub-grantees are to:

- Establish and support designated MMRS leadership, such as a Steering Committee, to act as the designated POCs for program implementation. Committees must be established and meet on an appropriate periodic basis in accordance with the committee charter. In addition to appropriate local officials and stakeholders, the committee membership must also include a representative from the State Department of Public Health.
- Promote integration of local emergency management, health, and medical systems with their Federal and State counterparts through a locally established multi-agency, collaborative planning framework
- Promote sub-State regional coordination of mutual aid with neighboring localities
- Enhance, using MMRS funds, sub-State regional planning and training to expand and improve an integrated, inclusive health and medical response to mass casualty events
- Validate the sub-grantee's local emergency response capability to a mass casualty incident by means of a regular schedule of exercises that are Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP)-compatible.
- Coordinate all MMRS expenditures with the local health department and, where appropriate, local representatives who manage PHEP grants, managed by CDC, and HPP, managed by HHS-ASPR, and Strategic National Stockpile.
- Have applicable and up to date plans for responding to mass casualty incidents caused by any hazard
- Applicable procedures and operational guides to implement the response actions within the local plan including patient tracking that addresses identifying and tracking children, access and functional needs population, and the elderly and keeping families intact where possible
- Identify resources for medical supplies necessary to support children during an emergency, including pharmaceuticals and pediatric-sized equipment on which first responders and medical providers are trained
- Have subject matter experts, durable medical equipment, consumable medical supplies and other resources required to assist children and adults with disabilities to maintain health, safety and usual levels of independence in general population environments

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b. Detailed budget worksheets will document program expenses as prescribed in other sections of the grant guidance. Detailed budget worksheets will be prepared and provided to AL DHS for approval in advance of spending in order to document the annual plan and to ensure that MMRS funds are used in accordance with MMRS program guidelines.

33. Homeland Security Exercises: All exercises conducted with HSGP funding must be NIMS compliant and must be executed in accordance with the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP). The Alabama Emergency Management Agency serves as the single point of contact for homeland security and emergency management related exercises within the state. All exercises must be coordinated in advance with Sam Guerrera or the designated AEMA exercise point of contact in advance of the exercise planning cycle. The AEMA POC must be kept informed during each step of the exercise process. In accordance with HSGP grant guidance, grant recipients must ensure that an After Action Report and an Improvement Plan are prepared for each exercise conducted with US DHS and FEMA support (grant funds and direct support). The two reports must be coordinated with the AEMA exercise point of contact and submitted to the FEMA secure portal within 60 days following each exercise.

34. Overtime and Backfill: Sub-grantees must read and comply with the funding restrictions provided in FY12 HSGP grant guidance. A summary of the funding restrictions pertaining to overtime is provided below. Overtime will not normally be authorized and all requests for overtime must be coordinated in advance and approved by AL DHS.

a. Organizational Overtime: Overtime costs are allowable for personnel to participate in information, investigative, and intelligence sharing activities specifically related to homeland security and *specifically requested by a Federal agency*. Allowable costs are limited to overtime associated with Federally requested participation in eligible fusion activities including anti-terrorism task forces, Joint Terrorism Task Forces (JTTFs), Area Maritime Security Committees (as required by the Maritime Transportation Security Act of 2002), DHS Border Enforcement Security Task Forces, and Integrated Border Enforcement Teams.

b. Operational Overtime: In support of efforts to enhance capabilities for detecting, deterring, disrupting, and preventing acts of terrorism, operational overtime costs are allowable for increased security measures at critical infrastructure sites during DHS-declared periods of increased security. Subject to these elevated threat level conditions, HSGP funds for organizational costs may be used to support select operational expenses associated with increased security measures at critical infrastructure sites. In order to spend FY12 HSGP funds on operational overtime costs prior approval in writing must be provided by the FEMA Administrator. Consumable costs, such as fuel expenses are *not allowed* except as part of the standard National Guard deployment package.

35. Construction and Renovation: The use of HSGP funds for construction and renovation is generally prohibited unless it is a necessary component of a security system at a designated critical infrastructure facility or unless it involves erection of communications towers included in the interoperable communications plan. Construction and renovation projects must be coordinated in advance with AL DHS and documented/approved in budget detail worksheets. Additionally, subgrantees must provide to the SAA (AL DHS) appropriate documentation required by HSGP grant guidance (for forwarding to FEMA) prior to draw down of funds. Subgrantees must also refer to and comply with FEMA information bulletin #329, Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation Requirements for Grants. Projects that were initiated or completed before an EHP review was concluded and used HSGP funds will be de-obligated. MMRS funds may not be used for any type of construction.

36. Special Conditions for RISU FY 2013 sustainment and update funding:

- Completion and Approval of all relevant documents relating to the RISU Grant;
- Develop an annual regional RISU training, exercise, and demonstration plan
  - Minimum requirement is to plan, participate and/or facilitate annually one of the aforementioned in 3 different locations within your AL DHS Region, but outside your own jurisdiction.
    - The plan must be submitted to DHS (chuck.murph@dhs.alabama.gov) no later than March 1, 2013.
      - ***No reimbursement request will be processed after March 1, 2013 if your plan has not been approved by AL DHS. Written approval will be provided via email to you and your grant manager.***

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        - The plan should outline the notification process to be used in announcing training, exercises and demonstrations to the first responders across the region.
        - First responders should be given ample time between the release of the announcement and the event (training, exercise, and/or demonstration), to be no less than 30 working days, in order to apply and/or register;
- Participation in the state's annual Communications Exercise or Workshop as outlined by AL DHS;
- Ensuring the RISU is completely operative and ready to respond in your Region and elsewhere;
- Regional RISU Operators agree to fully test the RISU system/component on a monthly basis as per the AEMA Communications Technician's Schedule
    - A log shall be kept by each RISU outlining at a minimum the following: date of test, systems/capabilities tested, operator conducting testing, name of person & region contacted, time spent to perform tests;
        - ***A copy of this log should be sent monthly to AEMA's Communications Section outlining any test failures.;***
- Provide the complete RISU specific Budget Detail Worksheet
    - BDW should be submitted to DHS (chuck.murph@dhs.alabama.gov) for approval before any purchases are made.
        - The BDW shall be submitted to DHS no later than March 1, 2013
    - Worksheet must include ***both*** AL DHS County P.O.C.'s and RISU Operator's Signature
    - Purchase of only the item(s) listed on the approved BDW provided for FY 2013;
- The Equipment purchase priorities for FY 2013:
    - Grant recipient must replace at a minimum, one existing laptop currently used in your RISU
        - A minimum of 8 gigabytes of RAM, 500 gigabytes of HDD, and WIN 7 or 8 Operating System. (These are minimums, anything above and beyond will be approved if justified)(Other considerations should be made to the availability of USB, serial, and other ports needed for radio reprogramming or operation) AEL# 04HW-01-INHW;
    - Grant recipient must purchase one IPad 2 or IPad with Retina Display
        - Model Type: 16GB, Wifi + Cellular (Cellular provider should be chosen by your department. The state has an existing cellular contract with AT&T that locals are eligible to purchase.)(Monthly cellular data rates are eligible grant expenditures.)
        - Additional accessories can be purchased that may include additional chargers (AC & Vehicle), hardened cases (such as Otter boxes or others), Bluetooth keyboards, etc… AEL # 04HW-01-HHCD.

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CERTIFICATION BY COUNTY HOMELAND SECURITY POINT OF CONTACT (POC)

I certify that I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal provisions of this grant application including the terms and conditions; to comply with provisions of the regulations governing these funds and all other federal and state laws; that all information presented is correct; that there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; that I am duly authorized by the Applicant to perform the tasks of Project Director as they relate to the requirements of this grant application; that costs incurred prior to Grantee approval may result in the expenditures being absorbed by the subgrantee; and, that the receipt of these grant funds through the Grantee will not supplant state or local funds.

Name: John Russell

Title: Director

Agency Address: P.O. Box 308, Huntsville, AL 35804

Phone Number: 256-427-5130

Fax Number: 256-427-5140

Mobile Number:

E-Mail Address: John.Russell@huntsvilleal.gov

Signature: Date: 2/7/13

CERTIFICATION BY COUNTY OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN

I certify that I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal provisions of this grant application including the terms and conditions; to comply with provisions of the regulations governing these funds and all other federal and state laws; that all information presented is correct; that there has been appropriate coordination with affected agencies; that I am duly authorized by the Applicant to perform the tasks of the Official Authorized to Sign as they relate to the requirements of this grant application; that costs incurred prior to Grantee approval may result in the expenditures being absorbed by the subgrantee; and, that the receipt of these grant funds through the Grantee will not supplant state or local funds.

Name:

Title:

Agency Address:

Phone Number:

Signature: Date:

NOTE: THE POC AND THE COUNTY OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CANNOT BE THE SAME PERSON. STAFF BEING FUNDED UNDER THIS GRANT MAY NOT BE ANY OF THE ABOVE OFFICIALS WITHOUT AL DHS APPROVAL.

CERTIFICATION BY STATE HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISOR

Name: Spencer Collier

Title: Director, Alabama Department of Homeland Security

Signature: Spencer Collier Date:

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CERTIFICATIONS REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

Applicants should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Applicants should also review the instructions for certification included in the regulations before completing this form. Signature of this form provides for compliance with certification requirements under the applicable CFR covering New Restrictions on Lobbying, Government-wide Debarment and Suspension (Non-procurement) and Government-wide Requirements for Drug-Free Workplace (Grants). The certifications shall be treated as a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when the State Funding Agency (SCEMD) determines to award the covered transaction, grant or cooperative agreement.

1. LOBBYING
   As required by Section 1352, Title 31 of the U.S. Code, and implemented by the applicable CFR, for persons entering into a grant or cooperative agreement over $100,000, as defined by the applicable CFR, the applicant certifies that:

   A. No Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid, by or on behalf of the undersigned, to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with the making of any Federal grant, the entering into of any cooperative agreement, and the extension, continuation, renewal, amendment, or modification of any Federal grant or cooperative agreement;

   B. If any funds other than Federal appropriated funds have been paid or will be paid to any person for influencing or attempting to influence an officer or employee of any agency, a Member of Congress, an officer or employee of Congress, or an employee of a Member of Congress in connection with this Federal grant or cooperative agreement, the undersigned shall complete and submit Standard Form -- LLL, "Disclosure of Lobbying Activities," in accordance with its instructions;

   C. The undersigned shall require that the language of this certification be included in the award documents for all subawards at all tiers (including subgrants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all subrecipients shall certify and disclose accordingly.

2. DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS (SUB-RECIPIENT)

   As required by Executive Order 12549, Debarment and Suspension, and implemented under the applicable CFR, for prospective participants in primary covered transactions, as defined in the applicable CFR --

   A. The applicant certifies that it and its principals:

      (1) Are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, sentenced to a denial of Federal benefits by a State or Federal court, or voluntarily excluded from covered transactions by any Federal department or agency;

      (2) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property;

      (3) Are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a government entity (Federal, State or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph A(2) of this certification; and

      (4) Have not within a three-year period preceding this application had one or more public transactions (Federal, State or local) terminated for cause or default; and

   B. Where the applicant is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, he or she shall attach an explanation to this application.

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CERTIFICATION REGARDING LOBBYING; DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS; AND DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE REQUIREMENTS

3. A. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES OTHER THAN INDIVIDUALS) -- APPLICABLE TO GRANTEES **RECEIVING $50,000 OR MORE AND ALL STATE AGENCIES REGARDLESS OF GRANT AMOUNT.**

As required by the Federal Drug-Free Workplace Act of 1988 and implemented under the applicable CFR for grantees --

The applicant certifies that it will or will continue to provide a drug-free workplace by:

(1) Publishing a statement notifying employees that the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance is prohibited in the grantee's workplace and specifying the actions that will be taken against employees for violation of such prohibition;

(2) Establishing an on-going drug-free awareness program to inform employees about --
(a) The dangers of drug abuse in the workplace;
(b) The grantee's policy of maintaining a drug-free workplace;
(c) Any available drug counseling, rehabilitation and employee assistance programs, and
(d) The penalties that may be imposed upon employees for drug abuse violations occurring in the workplace;

(3) Making it a requirement that each employee to be engaged in the performance of the grant be given a copy of the statement required by paragraph (1);

(4) Notifying the employee in the statement required by paragraph (1) that, as a condition of employment under the grant, the employee will --

(a) Abide by the terms of the statement; and
(b) Notify the employer in writing of his or her conviction for a violation of a criminal drug statute occurring in the workplace no later than five calendar days after such conviction;

(5) Notifying the agency, in writing within 10 calendar days after receiving notice under subparagraph (4)(b), from an employee or otherwise receiving actual notice of such conviction. Employers or convicted employees must provide notice, including position title, to the State Funding Agency. Notice shall include the identification number(s) of each affected grant;

(6) Taking one of the following actions, within 30 calendar days of receiving notice under subparagraph (4)(b), with respect to any employee who is so convicted --

(a) Taking appropriate personnel action against such an employee, up to and including termination, consistent with the requirements of the Rehabilitation Act of 1973, as amended; or
(b) Requiring such employee to participate satisfactorily in a drug abuse assistance rehabilitation program approved for such purposes by a Federal, State, or local health, law enforcement, or other appropriate agency;

(7) Making a good faith effort to continue to maintain a drug-free workplace through implementation of paragraphs (1), (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6).

B. DRUG-FREE WORKPLACE (GRANTEES WHO ARE INDIVIDUALS) -- **APPLICABLE TO GRANTEES RECEIVING $50,000 OR MORE.**
As required by the Federal Drug-Free Workplace of 1988, and implemented under the applicable CFR for grantees --

A. As a condition of the grant I certify that I will not engage in the unlawful manufacture, distribution, dispensing, possession, or use of a controlled substance in conducting any activity with the grant; and

B. If convicted of a criminal drug offense resulting from a violation occurring during the conduct of any grant activity, I will report the conviction, in writing, within 10 calendar days of the conviction to the State Funding Agency.

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ACCEPTANCE OF AUDIT REQUIREMENTS

We agree to have an audit conducted in compliance with OMB Circular A-133, if required. If a compliance audit is not required, at the end of each audit period we will certify in writing that we have not expended the amount of federal funds that would require a compliance audit ($500,000). If required, we will forward for review and clearance a copy of the completed audit(s) to the following:

Alabama Department of Homeland Security
Accounting Office
Post Office Box 304115
Montgomery, Alabama 36130-4115

The following is information on the next organization-wide audit which will include this agency:

1. *Audit Period:	Beginning	10/1/12	Ending	9/30/13	

2. Audit will be submitted to AL DHS Accounting Office by: 6/30/14 (Date)

NOTE: The audit or written certification must be submitted to AL DHS, ***no later than the ninth month after the end of the audit period.***

Additionally, we have or will notify our auditor of the above audit requirements prior to performance of the audit for the period listed above. We will also ensure that, if required, the entire grant period will be covered by a compliance audit which in some cases will mean more than one audit must be submitted. We will advise the auditor to cite specifically that the audit was done in accordance with OMB Circular A-133.

Any information regarding the OMB Circular audit requirements will be furnished by AL DHS, upon request.

***NOTE: The Audit Period is the organization's fiscal or calendar year to be audited.**

Failure to complete this form will result in your grant award being delayed and/or cancelled.

Form Completed By
Name: William G. Simmons Title: Acct III

Signature: William G. Simmons

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