

CITY COUNCIL AGENDA ITEM COVER MEMO

Agenda Item Number _____

Meeting Type: Regular

Meeting Date: 2/12/2015

Action Requested By:
EMA

Agenda Item Type
Resolution

Subject Matter:

Cooperative Agreement State Homeland Security Grant Program.

Exact Wording for the Agenda:

Resolution authorizing the Mayor to enter into a Cooperative Agreement between the City of Huntsville dba Huntsville-Madison County Emergency Management Agency and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency for State Homeland Security Grant Program, Assistance Allocation-Letter of Agreement (4ICL).

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 will provide sustainment funding for support of the Regional Communication Vehicle.

Associated Cost: 6000.00

Budgeted Item: Yes

MAYOR RECOMMENDS OR CONCURS: Select...

Department Head: 

Date: 1/21/2015

ROUTING SLIP CONTRACTS AND AGREEMENTS

Originating Department: EMA

Council Meeting Date: 2/12/2015

Department Contact: **Bill Sizemore**

Phone # 5130

Contract or Agreement: **Cooperative Agreement State Homeland Security Grant Program (4ICL)**

Document Name: **Cooperative agreement State Homeland Security Grant Program**

City Obligation Amount: 6000.00

Total Project Budget: 6000.00

Uncommitted Account Balance:

Account Number: 01-5266-0510-13xx

Procurement Agreements

<u>Not Applicable</u>	<u>Not Applicable</u>
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Grant-Funded Agreements

State Other	ALEA 4FIL	Grant Name:
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Department	Signature	Date
1) Originating	<i>Bill Sizemore</i>	1/21/15
2) Legal	<i>Mary C Cates</i>	1/26/15
3) Finance	<i>[Signature]</i>	1/22
4) Originating		
5) Copy Distribution		
a. Mayor's office (1 copies)		
b. Clerk-Treasurer (Original & 2 copies)		

RESOLUTION NO. 15-_____

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 dba Huntsville-Madison County Emergency Management Agency and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency, 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 between the City of Huntsville dba Huntsville-Madison County Emergency Management Agency and the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency for State Homeland Security Grant Program, Assistance Allocation-Letter of Agreement (4ICL)" consisting of a total of thirteen (13) pages, and the date of February 12, 2015, 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 12th day of February, 2015.

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

APPROVED this the 12th day of February, 2015.

Mayor of the City of
Huntsville, Alabama

**COOPERATIVE AGREEMENT
STATE HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT PROGRAM
ASSISTANCE ALLOCATION – LETTER OF AGREEMENT**

1. Administrator Name & Address: Madison County EMA PO Box 308 Huntsville, AL 35804-0308		2. Issuing Office & Address: Alabama Law Enforcement Agency P.O. Box 304115 Montgomery, AL 36130-4115	
3. FY 2014	4. Amount of: Federal: \$6,000.00 Total: \$6,000.00	5. Effective Dates Begin: 12/1/2014 End: 12/31/2015	6. Award Number: 4ICL

Madison County EMA is herein referred to as the Administrator, the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency is herein referred to as ALEA, and FY 2014 is herein referred to as the Agreement Fiscal Year.

1. Applicable Federal Regulations and Guidance: The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient must comply with the Code of Federal Regulations (CFR), as applicable: 2 CFR Chapter I, and Chapter II, Parts 200, 215, 220, 225, and 230. The Administrator and Equipment Recipient 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. The Administrator and Equipment Recipient must comply with Federal Acquisition Regulation Subpart 31.2, Contracts with Commercial Organizations. The Administrator and Equipment Recipient must comply with all applicable guidelines and requirements in the Funding Opportunity Announcement for these funds.

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 Administrator and Equipment Recipient agree to comply with the requirements of OMB Circular A-133. Further, records with respect to all matters covered by this award shall be made available for audit and inspection by ALEA 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 Administrator has not expended the amount of federal funds that would require a compliance audit. The Administrator agrees to accept these requirements.

4. Non-Supplanting Agreement: The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient shall not use Federal Homeland Security Grant Program 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 Administrator may resume charging for the grant position.

5. Project Implementation: The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient agrees to implement all projects within 90 days following the award effective date or be subject to automatic cancellation of the award. Evidence of project implementation must be detailed in the first Biannual Strategy Implementation Report (BSIR) following the award.

6. Written Approval of Changes: Any mutually agreed upon changes to this award must be approved in writing by ALEA, prior to implementation or obligation and shall be incorporated in written amendments to this award. This procedure for changes to the approved award 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.

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8. Bidding Requirements: The Administrator and Equipment Recipient 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. Failure to follow the Federal, State and local required bidding procedures will result in purchases not being eligible for reimbursement with federal funds.
9. Personnel and Travel Costs: The US DHS Financial Guide is the source document for all Homeland Security Grant Program related financial matters, including personnel and travel costs. The Administrator must comply with the provisions in this guide. This guide has been distributed by ALEA annually during the past several years and is available online and upon request. Personnel and travel costs must comply with local, State and Federal policies and procedures, and policies must be applied uniformly to travel costs. Travel costs must not exceed the rate set by State regulation; *however, at no time can the travel and lodging 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 not allowable and food/beverage expenses are restricted.
10. Terms of Grant Period: 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 funds dated after the expiration of the grant period will not be eligible for reimbursement.
11. Utilization and Payment of Funds: Funds awarded are to be expended only for purposes and activities included in the approved project plan and budget. Items submitted for reimbursement must be documented in the budget detail worksheet in order to be eligible for reimbursement. Failing to meet this requirement without prior written approval will result in a payment adjustment to correct previous overpayments, disallowances or under payments resulting from audit.
12. Recording and Documentation of Receipts and Expenditures: The Administrator'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 awards, obligations, unobligated balances, assets, liabilities, expenditures and program income. Controls must be established which are adequate to ensure that expenditures charged to the award are for allowable purposes. Equipment purchases may only include items included in the Authorized Equipment List (AEL). Additionally, effective control and accountability must be maintained for all award cash, real property and other assets. Accounting records must be supported by such source documentation as cancelled checks, paid bills, payroll documentation, time and attendance records, contract documents, award documents, etc.
13. Financial Responsibility: The financial responsibility of the Administrator must be such that the Administrator can properly discharge the public trust which accompanies the authority to expend public funds. Adequate accounting systems shall meet the following minimum criteria:
 - a. Accounting records should provide information needed to adequately identify the receipt of funds under each award and the expenditure of funds for each award;
 - 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;
 - 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.

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14. Property Management Requirements:

a. Effective control and accountability must be maintained for all award-purchased property. The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient must adequately safeguard all such property and must assure that it is used solely for authorized purposes. The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient will ensure proper use, maintenance, protection and preservation of such property. All equipment acquired under a Federal award will be stored on public property. Title to non-expendable property acquired in whole or in part with award funds shall be vested with the Administrator or the Equipment Recipient.

b. The federal procedures for managing equipment will be the responsibility of the Administrator. Procedures for managing equipment (including replacement equipment), whether acquired in whole or in part under a Federal award, until disposition takes place will, at a minimum, meet the following requirements:

- (1) Property records must be maintained that include a description of the property, a serial number or other identification number, the source of funding for the property (including the FAIN), who holds title, the acquisition date, and cost of the property, percentage of Federal participation in the project costs for the Federal award under which the property was acquired, the location, use and condition of the property, and any ultimate disposition data including the date of disposal and sale price of the property.
- (2) A physical inventory of the property must be taken and the results reconciled with property records at least once every two years.
- (3) A control system must be developed to ensure adequate safeguards to prevent loss, damage, or theft of the property. Any loss, damage, or theft must be investigated.
- (4) Adequate maintenance procedures must be developed to keep the property in good condition.
- (5) If the non-Federal entity is authorized or required to sell the property, proper sales procedures must be established to ensure the highest possible return.

c. Disposition: Equipment shall be used 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. Property may be retained by the Administrator agency and signed out to other NIMS compliant agencies on an as-needed basis, or property may be signed over to another NIMS complaint agency permanently. Property will only be transferred for disposal if it is certified as no longer serviceable and coordinated in advance with ALEA. Theft, destruction, or loss of property shall be reported to ALEA immediately.

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 Program (HSGP) funds will be checked 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 Marking: The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient agree that, when practicable, any equipment purchased with HSGP funds shall be prominently marked as follows: Purchased with funds provided by the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Decals displaying the ALEA logo and the above phrasing may be obtained by contacting ALEA.

15. Performance: Funds may be terminated or fund payments discontinued by ALEA where it finds a substantial failure to comply with the provisions of the legislation governing these funds or regulations promulgated, including those award conditions or other obligations established by ALEA. In the event the Administrator or the Equipment Recipient fails to perform the services described herein and has previously received an award from ALEA, the full amount of the payments made shall be reimbursed to ALEA. However, if the services described herein are partially performed, and the sub-grantee has previously received financial assistance, then a proportional reimbursement shall be made to ALEA for payments made.

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

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17. Americans with Disabilities Act of 1990 (ADA): The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient 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: Administrators and Equipment Recipients 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 agreement 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 cooperative agreement, the Administrator and the Equipment Recipient 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 recipients that they will maintain a drug-free workplace. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance will be placed when ALEA determines to award the funds. False certification or violation of the certification shall be grounds for suspension of payments, suspension or termination of the award, or government-wide suspension or debarment.
23. Publications: The Administrator agrees that all publications created with funding under this award 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 Administrator also agrees that one copy of any such publication will be submitted to ALEA to be placed on file and distributed as appropriate to other potential interested parties. ALEA may waive the requirement for submission of any specific publication upon submission of a request providing justification from the Administrator.
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 awards 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 ALEA guidelines or "Special Conditions" placed on the award.
26. Compliance Agreement: The Administrator and the Equipment Recipient agree to abide by all Terms and Conditions including "Special Conditions" placed upon the award by ALEA. Failure to comply could result in a "Stop Payment" being placed on the award.
27. Leasing of Space: Requests to lease space for any purpose must be coordinated in advance with ALEA and documented 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. Funds may be used to cover only the portion of the rental/lease period that occurs during the award 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 ALEA. 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 (SAA, ALEA) 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 award (based on the amount needed for program implementation) and the cost per square foot agreement must be provided to the SAA (ALEA). A copy of the signed lease agreement must be submitted to the SAA before reimbursement is made for the space. Please note that the award can only be charged for the portion of rental costs in accordance with the above requirements. The award cannot be used for mortgage payments, as this is unallowable.
28. **Suspension or Termination of Funding:** ALEA may suspend, in whole or in part, and/or terminate funding for or impose other sanctions on a Administrator or Equipment Recipient 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 award, 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 issued.
- d. Failure to submit reports on a semi-annual basis and as otherwise required.
- e. Filing a false certification, other report or document.
- f. Other good cause shown.
29. **National Incident Management System (NIMS):** The SAA met the NIMS compliance requirements in order to receive FY14 Homeland Security Grant Program funding. The jurisdictions and agencies that have complied with NIMS requirements by the annual deadline are also eligible to receive FY14 Homeland Security Grant Program funding.
- a. The Administrator of FY14 Homeland Security Grant Program funding (i.e., those that met the NIMS compliance requirements) may only allocate Homeland Security Grant Program funding for those cities, towns, and agencies that also met the annual NIMS requirements. The listing of NIMS compliant jurisdictions and agencies will be documented, maintained, and distributed by the NIMS point of contact at AEMA.
- b. If any Administrator allocates Homeland Security Grant Program funding for a city, town or agency that is not NIMS compliant, the reimbursement claim will not be processed by ALEA and the claim 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 Equipment Recipient agrees to remain a party to the AMAS program.
31. Budget Detail Worksheet (BDW):
- a. The Administrator will submit a BDW to the Alabama Law Enforcement Agency (ALEA). The Administrator must receive approval of the BDW in writing from ALEA prior to obligating funds, making commitments, or purchasing any of the requested items. The BDW submitted by the Administrator will provide a complete and detailed description of the items to be purchased (equipment, training, and exercises), and will also provide a valid estimate of the actual quantities and costs for the items. The items listed on the BDW must be allowable in accordance with the US DHS Homeland Security Grant Program guidance. Any equipment requested must also be listed on the current version of the Authorized Equipment List (AEL). Additionally, a revised BDW must be submitted for addition or deletion of any items from the original worksheet. If additions, deletions, or changes in cost total \$5,000.00 or more, a new signature sheet by stakeholders is required to be submitted with the BDW revision. Electronic copies of BDW must be submitted within 60 days of receipt of this award. The electronic BDW is a requirement in addition to the paper copy that is submitted.
- b. In regard to Law Enforcement, the Administrator agrees to spend the appropriate percentage of this award in compliance with US DHS Homeland Security Grant Program guidance and ALEA special instructions. Additionally, the dollar amount and overall percentage for Law Enforcement expenditures will be documented in a letter and submitted with the BDW.
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 Administrators 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 Administrator'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. Budget detail worksheets will document program expenses as prescribed in other sections of the Homeland Security Grant Program guidance. Budget detail worksheets will be prepared and provided to ALEA 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. Exercises: All exercises conducted with Homeland Security Grant Program funding must be executed in accordance with the Homeland Security Exercise and Evaluation Program (HSEEP), must be aligned with NIMS, the State THIRA, and the priorities and capabilities identified in the Multi-year Training and Exercise Plan. The Alabama Emergency Management Agency (AEMA) serves as the single point of contact (POC) for Homeland Security and Emergency Management related exercises within the state. All exercises must be coordinated in advance with 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 guidance, award recipients must ensure that an After Action Report and Improvement Plan are prepared for each exercise conducted with US DHS/FEMA support (grant funds and direct support). The two reports must be coordinated with the AEMA exercise POC and submitted with reimbursement requests.
34. Overtime and Backfill: Administrators must read and comply with the funding restrictions provided in FY14 Homeland Security Grant Program guidance. A summary of the funding restrictions pertaining to overtime is provided below. Overtime will not typically be authorized and all requests for overtime must be coordinated in advance and approved by ALEA.
- 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), US 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 US DHS-declared periods of increased security. Subject to these elevated threat level conditions, HSGP funds requested for organizational costs may be used to support select operational expenses associated with increased security measures at critical infrastructure sites. In order to expend 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 ALEA and documented/approved in budget detail worksheets. Additionally, the Administrator must provide to the SAA (ALEA) appropriate documentation required by HSGP guidance (for forwarding to FEMA) prior to any draw down of funds. Administrators must also refer to and comply with FEMA information bulletin #329, Environmental Planning and Historic Preservation Requirements for Grants. Projects which are initiated or completed before an EHP review has been approved, where HSGP funds are to be used, will not be eligible for funding. MMRS funds may not be used for any type of construction.
36. Special Instructions: Special instructions and conditions are as follows:

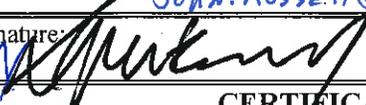
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Special Conditions for STR FY 2015 sustainment and update funding:

- Completion and Approval of all relevant documents relating to the STR Grant;
- Develop an annual statewide STR training, exercise, and demonstration plan.
 - Minimum requirement is to plan, participate and/or facilitate annually one of the aforementioned in 3 different locations within the state.
 - The plan must be submitted to ALEA (chuck.murph@alea.gov) no later than 30 days following the execution date of this grant agreement.
 - The plan should outline the notification process to be used in announcing training, exercises and demonstrations to the first responders across the region.
- Participation in the state's annual Communications Exercise or Workshop as outlined by ALEA;
- Ensuring the STR is completely operative and ready to respond in your Region and elsewhere;
- AEMA agrees to fully test the STR assets on a monthly basis;
 - A log shall be kept by each STR asset 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 checked monthly and filed with AEMA's Communications Section outlining any test failures.;**
- Provide the complete STR specific Budget Detail Worksheet
 - BDW should be submitted to ALEA (chuck.murph@alea.gov) for approval before any purchases are made.
 - The BDW shall be submitted to ALEA no later than 30 days from issuance of this grant agreement.
 - Worksheet must include **both** STR primary operator and EMA/911 Director's signature
 - Purchase of only the item(s) listed on the approved BDW provided for FY 2015.

CERTIFICATION BY THE ADMINISTRATOR

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

Name:	John E. 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:	1/27/15

CERTIFICATION BY COUNTY OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN

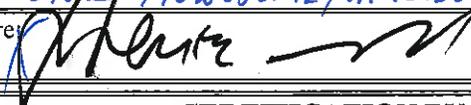
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Name:	Tommy Battle
Title:	Mayor
Agency Address:	P.O. Box 308 Huntsville, AL 35801
Phone Number:	256-427-5000
Signature:	
Date:	2/12/15

NOTE: THE HS POC AND THE COUNTY OFFICIAL AUTHORIZED TO SIGN CANNOT BE THE SAME PERSON. ANY STAFF FUNDED UNDER THIS AWARD MAY NOT BE ANY OF THE ABOVE OFFICIALS WITHOUT ALEA APPROVAL.

CERTIFICATION BY RECIPIENT OF FEDERAL GRANT FUNDED ITEMS

I certify that I understand and agree to comply with the general and fiscal provisions of this cooperative agreement including the terms and conditions; to comply with provisions of the regulations governing these funds and all other federal, state and local laws that apply; that all information presented is correct.

Name:	John E. Russell
Title, Agency, Agency Address, Phone Number:	Director Huntsville/Madison County EMA P.O. Box 308 Huntsville, AL 35804
Signature:	
Date:	1/27/15

CERTIFICATION BY STATE HOMELAND SECURITY ADVISOR

Name:	Spencer Collier
Title:	Secretary, Alabama Law Enforcement Agency
Signature:	
Date:	1/5/2015

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

Sub-grantees should refer to the regulations cited below to determine the certification to which they are required to attest. Sub-grantees 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 sub-awards at all tiers (including sub-grants, contracts under grants and cooperative agreements, and subcontracts) and that all sub-recipients 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 SUB-GRANTEES
RECEIVING \$50,000 OR MORE, AND ALL STATE AGENCIES REGARDLESS OF AWARD 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 SUB-GRANTEES
RECEIVING \$50,000 OR MORE.**

As required by the Federal Drug-Free Workplace of 1988, and implemented under the applicable CFR for sub-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 Law Enforcement Agency
 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:

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| 1. *Audit Period: | Beginning | 10/1/14 | Ending | 9/30/15 |
| 2. Audit will be submitted to ALEA Accounting Office by: | | | | |
| | | | 6/30/16 | |
| | | | (Date) | |

NOTE: The audit or written certification must be submitted to ALEA, *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 award 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 ALEA, upon request.

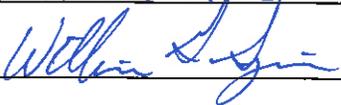
***NOTE:** The Audit Period is the organization's fiscal or calendar year to be audited.

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

Form Completed By

Name: William G. Sizemore

Title: AccT III

Signature: 

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