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State Emergency Managers participate in Operation Santa Claus for fourth consecutive year

CLANTON- For the fourth consecutive year, Alabama Emergency Management Agency employees have rallied to make sure children in Chilton County will have a lot to smile about on Christmas day. The new unwrapped toys being collected by AEMA will be donated to Operation Santa Claus. The Chilton County Sheriff's Department is scheduled to pick up the toys following the AEMA annual Christmas luncheon on December 8, 2009.

"As an agency we look forward to Operation Santa Claus, because it gives us an opportunity to help families right here in our community," said Director Brock Long. "We want our neighbors to know our mission to help isn't just for disaster times, that's why this event is so important to AEMA."

The Operation Santa Claus program was designed to provide toys to children who would otherwise have little or nothing to open on Christmas morning.

Who: AEMA Staff

What: Operation Santa Claus Campaign & Annual luncheon

When: December 8, 2009 @ 12:30

Where: Alabama Power Company, 2030 7th Street South, Clanton, AL 35045 (Conference Center)

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