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ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVE MORE THAN \$400,000 IN FUNDING THROUGH FEMA'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Friday awarded \$415,391 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding to local fire departments and emergency medical services organizations in the state of Alabama.

"Through the AFG program, FEMA provides funding to local communities for new equipment and training to help give emergency responders the tools they need to respond effectively to fires and other disasters." said FEMA Regional Administrator Phil May.

Nationally, this week's grants total \$21 million. The AFG program includes three kinds of awards: Fire Grants, Staffing for Adequate Fire and Emergency Response (SAFER) grants and Fire Prevention and Safety grants (FP&S). Today's grants to Alabama organizations are:

Fire Grants (funding firefighting and emergency response needs of fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical services organizations, and supporting regional projects involving multiple organizations serving more than one local jurisdiction)

| Goodman VFD | Enterprise | Operations and Safety | \$38,760 |
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| Providence/Mount Pisgah VFD, Inc. | Georgiana | Operations and Safety | \$21,910 |
| Wicksburg Volunteer Fire & Rescue Dept., Inc | Newton | Operations and Safety | \$53,757 |
| Ft Mitchell VFD, Inc. | Ft Mitchell | Operations and Safety | \$128,704 |
| Rogersville VFD | Rogersville | Operations and Safety | \$31,920 |
| Hatton VFD | Town Creek | Operations and Safety | \$41,093 |
| Hueytown Fire & Rescue | Hueytown | Operations and Safety | \$99,247 |

The fiscal year (FY) 2008 AFG awards, which are being distributed in phases, will ultimately provide about \$500 million to fire departments and nonaffiliated emergency medical service organizations throughout the country.

The full list of this week's recipients and other information, including program Fact Sheets, can be found on the AFG website (www.firegrantsupport.com).

FEMA coordinates the federal government's role in preparing for, preventing, mitigating the effects of, responding to, and recovering from all domestic disasters, whether natural or man-made, including acts of terror.