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Honorable Bobby Jindal Governor of Louisiana P.O. Box 94004 Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9004

Dear Governor Jindal:

On behalf of the First Responder Subcommittee on Homeland Security and Emergency Management, it is my pleasure to provide this semi-annual report on accomplishments for the period of July 1, 2014 to December 31, 2014. The subcommittee did not conduct a regular meeting of the First Responders Subcommittee the second half of calendar year 2014.

The First Responder Subcommittee plans and advises on issues identified by The Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) and the Unified Command Group (UCG) regarding First Responders in their efforts in the preparation for, response to, and recovery from all emergencies and disasters. Additionally, this subcommittee is committed to coordinating with boundary states by securing memorandums of understanding (MOU) between first responders during emergencies and disasters. The committee serves to coordinate a variety of individuals and agencies representing various parts of the First Responder community in order to discuss developments in their areas and review projects that cut across organizational boundaries.

During this reporting period, all member organizations of the sub-committee maintained contact to ensure situational awareness of issues identified by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP) and the Unified Command Group (UCG) regarding First Responders. Dissemination of situational awareness bulletins, alerts, and information / intelligence reports to all subcommittee members to include Homeland Security DHS grants, FEMA Threat and Hazard Identification and Risk Assessment (THIRA), and current threats (including cyber) continued by the Louisiana State Analytical and Fusion Exchange (LA-SAFE). No changes made to the First Responder Subcommittee by-laws during this period.

Sincerely,

Sh**er**iff Willy Martin, Jr.

Chairman