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Emergency Preparedness  
Parish Directors Subcommittee

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Honorable Bobby Jindal  
Governor of Louisiana  
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Dear Governor Jindal:

In accordance with L.R.S. 29:725.6, and on behalf of the Regional Directors, I am pleased to submit this report on the activities of the Regional Parish Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness Parish Directors Subcommittee (Regional Directors Subcommittee). The Regional Directors' Subcommittee scheduled monthly meetings during this time period covering July 1, 2014 through December 31, 2014. A brief description of topics covered follows:

**GOHSEP Update:**

- The Director attended a Gulf Coast joint work session in Mobile, Alabama to discuss Hurricane preparedness with other coastal states.
- Lincoln Parish opened a new Emergency Operations Center (EOC).
- The Director has been actively involved with the issue of approximately 1,100 unaccompanied minors, predominately located in the New Orleans area.
- The Director met with DOTD emergency management officials to discuss their preparations regarding road maintenance priorities and capabilities in the event of a winter storm.
- The Director participated in a regional Pet/Livestock Table Top Exercise in Covington, Louisiana in order to determine the level of preparation regarding those topics.

**Grant Updates:**

- GOHSEP has developed a Parish OHSEP timeline of all Federal, State Law or GOHSEP required activities and/or due dates to assist parishes with meeting those requirements.

- 2013 deobligated funding was recommended to be used toward interoperability projects.
- EMPG, SHSP, and UASI project applications were completed before the end of the year.

**Training & Exercise:**

- National Incident Management System (NIMS) and Incident Command System (ICS) courses have been offered and administered by GOHSEP employees throughout the reporting period. Participants included multiple state agencies, parish governments, as well as stakeholders from the private sector.

**Recovery:**

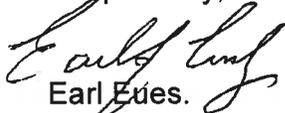
- We are in the ninth year after Katrina. \$14.4 billion dollars has been obligated and over 76% of those funds have been spent as of December, 2014. GOHSEP anticipates an additional \$1.5 - \$2 billion will be obligated.

**Ebola Update:**

- GOHSEP developed an Ebola Virus Response Plan. The plan and related procedures were developed in conjunction with State and Federal partners, for the reporting and tracking of suspected Ebola cases. A Call-Taker / First responder Guide and a Personal Protective Equipment PowerPoint training was also created to assist and rapidly train Louisiana first responders.

We appreciate your continued support of our efforts.

Respectfully,



Earl Eries.  
Chairman, Regional Directors Subcommittee