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ALABAMA FIRE DEPARTMENTS RECEIVE MORE THAN \$90,000 IN FUNDING THROUGH FEMA'S ASSISTANCE TO FIREFIGHTERS GRANT PROGRAM

ATLANTA – The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) today awarded \$90,725 in Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) funding to local fire departments and emergency medical services organizations in the state of Alabama.

“The right training and equipment, when matched with the courage of our first responders, will make communities safer,” said FEMA Regional Administrator Phil May. “These AFG funds will help give the firefighters and emergency medical service personnel who serve our nation the tools necessary to do their jobs safely and effectively.”

Nationally, this week’s grants total nearly \$17 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)

Taylor VFD	Operations and Safety	Taylor	\$26,125
Rehobeth FD	Operations and Safety	Rehobeth	\$64,600

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).

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