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TO: All Delaware Homeland Security Grant Partners
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SUBJECT: FY2009 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant – Local Clarification

The purpose of this Information Bulletin is to provide local clarification and guidance on the application process for the FY2009 Emergency Operations Center (EOC) Grant. According to the grant application guidance, the Delaware Emergency Management Agency (DEMA), as the State Administrative Agency (SAA) is responsible for the submission of the grant application. This information bulletin will assist eligible participants to submit construction/renovation projects for consideration for the EOC Grant Program.

The FY2009 EOC Grant Program is providing \$12,357,500 in competitive funds to eligible State, local, or tribal government's principal EOC Nationwide. Principal EOC is defined as a unit of government's primary EOC. Eligible EOCs may request up to \$1,000,000 for construction projects or up to \$250,000 for renovation projects and has a 75 percent Federal and 25 percent grantee cost share cash- or in-kind match requirement. Further detailed information is contained within the EOC Grant Guidance, which is posted on the DEMA website http://dema.delaware.gov/information/terror_prep.shtml, along with a worksheet template for project submission.

The Delaware **deadline** for project submission to DEMA is End of Day, **February 6, 2009**. All eligible EOCs are limited to one (1) project submission and must coordinate the project with their County Emergency Manager for consideration. Each submission will be evaluated according to Grant Guidance by the SAA prior to submission for federal review and consideration on February 27, 2009.

The following key points from the guidance are provided:

Construction or renovation projects requested and funded under the EOC Grant Program must directly support EOC mission goals and cannot supplant projects/ activities funded under the Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) or EMPG.

All proposed construction and renovation activities must undergo an Environmental and Historic Preservation (EHP) review, including approval of the review from FEMA, prior to undertaking any action related to the project. Any applicant that is proposing a construction project under the FY 2009 EOC should pay special attention to the EHP requirements contained in Part VI (B, 5.7) of the Guidance. Failure of a grant recipient to meet these requirements may jeopardize Federal funding

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