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SUBJECT: ATTORNEY GENERAL LAW ENFORCEMENT DIRECTIVE NO. 2005-2:

MANDATORY TRAINING FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS IN
THE STATE OF NEW JERSEY FOR NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT
SYSTEM COURSES

On August 5, 2005, Acting Governor Codey entered an Executive Order implementing the National Incident Management System (NIMS). In order to preserve the State's eligibility for federal preparedness assistance, Acting Governor Codey's Executive Order requires all State Department and Agencies to take certain steps to implement NIMS.

President Bush has required that all federal departments and agencies require State and local institutionalization of the NIMS as a prerequisite to federal preparedness assistance. Institutionalization means that NIMS is adopted and implemented for everyday use by first responders. So far, sixty federal grant programs have been identified as requiring NIMS as a prerequisite to award. These include the Department of Justice - COPS Interoperable Communications Technology Program and the Department of Homeland Security - State Homeland Security and UASI Grant Programs.

The following training is hereby required of all law enforcement officers and agencies:



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- a) all entry level first responders, including firefighters, police officers, emergency medical services providers, public works on-scene personnel, public health on-scene personnel and other emergency responders, and other emergency personnel that require an introduction to the basic components of the ICS, to the ICS-100: Introduction to ICS level, prior to December 31, 2005;
- b) all first line supervisors, single resource leaders, lead dispatchers, field supervisors, company officers and entry level positions (trainees) on Incident Management Teams and other emergency personnel that require a higher level of ICS training to the ICS-200: Basic ICS Basic level, prior to December 31, 2006;
- c) all middle management, strike team leaders, task force leaders, unit leaders, division/group supervisors, branch directors and Multi-Agency Coordination System/Emergency Operations Center staff to the ICS-300: Intermediate ICS level, prior to December 31, 2007; and
- d) all command and general staff, agency administrators and department heads with on-scene incident management responsibilities, emergency managers, areas commander and Multi-Agency Coordination System/Emergency Operations Center managers to the ICS-400: Advanced ICS level, prior to December 31, 2007.

Additional information concerning the implementation and administration of the mandatory minimum training program for veteran law enforcement officers will be distributed by the Domestic Security Task Force. All questions concerning the implementation and administration of this directive shall be directed to Domestic Security Preparedness Task Force in the Office of the Attorney General. A copy of this directive and the supporting materials is also available from the Division of Criminal Justice at www.njdcj.org.

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