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To: Municipal Elected Officials

From: Ben Schliesman, President, WEMA

RE: 2008 NIMS Compliance

Dear Municipal Official:

In order to receive Federal Preparedness Grants, or be included in local, County, or State Preparedness Grants, you are required to meet the requirements outlined in the FEMA document titled, *FY 2008 NIMS Compliance Objectives for States, Territories, Tribal Nations, and Local Governments*. The document can be accessed at http://emergencymanagement.wi.gov/docview.asp?docid=12806&locid=18

By agreeing to participate in federally funded exercises, training, or equipment grants (i.e. radio interoperability), received from the Office of Justice Assistance and administered by the County, you are stating that you have met the compliance requirements.

If you participate in a grant program and compliance officers later determine that you have not met the compliance objectives, your agency will be required to reimburse the County and/or OJA for your portion of the grant. You may possibly be responsible for reimbursing the entire grant if the funding is revoked for the entire program.

All compliance documentation is to be maintained locally. The County is not responsible for ensuring that a local jurisdiction/agency is NIMS compliant.

If you have any questions regarding NIMS, please contact your County EM Director.

Sincerely,

Ben Schliesman President WI Emergency Management Association Director Kenosha County Emergency Management