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Division 17 Hazardous Materials & Technical Rescue Teams Reimbursement Policy

1.0 PURPOSE

- To outline the reimbursement of expenses incurred to/by the Responding Agencies and MABAS Division 17 Hazardous Materials and/or Technical Rescue Teams as a result of Emergency Response or required training (ex. State Validation).
- The Division 17 Hazardous Materials and Technical Rescue Teams are intended to be representative of the whole Division and, if possible, shall participate in the MABAS/ITTF Statewide Response Programs.

2.0 SCOPE

- Upon request of an Incident Commander, the Division 17 Hazardous Materials Team shall be deployed to any stricken Department. They will be responsible to assist with the Identification of substances, Mitigation of leaks or spills and Decontamination of exposed personnel and equipment by providing personnel and materials as needed or requested by the local Incident Commander.

3.0 EQUIPMENT

- The equipment used by both teams are stored and transported in large truck/trailers that are the property of the Division. This equipment is very specialized, complex, expensive with a limited reliable lifespan and often only single use.

Represented Departments

Cedarville Fire
Dakota Fire
Davis Fire
Freeport Fire

Freeport Rural Fire
German Valley Fire
Lena Fire

Orangeville Fire
Pearl City Fire
Rock City Fire
Winslow Fire

4.0 REIMBURSEMENT OF RESPONSE EXPENSES

- Hazardous Material specific:
 - Each Division 17 Department should have on record, a local Ordinance that allows them to recoup expenses incurred during a Hazardous Materials response within their jurisdiction. This Ordinance must be within the guidance of State Statute (430 ILCS 55 Hazardous Material Emergency Response Reimbursement Act).
 - Any person who owns, leases, operates or controls any facility, equipment, or vehicles from which a discharge of hazardous materials or toxic substance has occurred or is threatened to occur, shall be liable to the responding Emergency Agencies and MABAS Division 17 for any expense incurred by the Agencies or MABAS Division 17 in connection with preventing, cleaning up, or disposing of or attempting to prevent, clean up, or dispose of any such discharge or threatened discharge.
- Technical Rescue specific:
 - Each Division 17 Department should have on record, a local Ordinance that allows them to recoup expenses incurred during a Technical Rescue response within their jurisdiction. This Ordinance must be within the guidance of State Statute, Section 25 & 26 of the Fire Protection District Act (70 ILCS 705/26).
 - Any person/business/company who owns, leases, operates or controls any facility, equipment, or vehicle from which a Technical Rescue situation has occurred or is threatened to occur, shall be liable to the responding Emergency Agencies and MABAS Division 17 for any expense incurred by the Agencies or MABAS Division 17 in connection with the rescue/recovery or mitigation of hazard associated with the incident.

Where the Agencies or MABAS Division 17 are eligible to seek reimbursement as permitted by law, mutual aid agreement, or declared emergency, the following rates shall be utilized to determine the expenses incurred by the Agency or MABAS Division 17:

Team member Hourly Rates of Pay: (HM & TRT)

• <u>Awareness Fire Fighter/Paramedic</u>	<u>\$30.00/hour</u>
• <u>Operations Certified</u>	<u>\$50.00/hour</u>
• <u>Technician Certified</u>	<u>\$75.00/hour</u>
• <u>Command Staff</u>	<u>\$100.00/hour</u>

Vehicle & Equipment Hourly Reimbursement Rates:

• <u>Specialty Trailers (HM or TRT)</u>	<u>\$300.00/hour</u>
• <u>Command Vehicle</u>	<u>\$30.00/hour</u>
• <u>Fire Engine</u>	<u>\$100.00/hour</u>
• <u>Ladder Aerial Platform</u>	<u>\$200.00/hour</u>
• <u>Ambulance</u>	<u>\$50.00/hour</u>
• <u>Support Trailers and Light Tower</u>	<u>\$150.00/hour</u>

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In addition, the Agency or MABAS Division 17 shall also be reimbursed for the costs of all materials used and equipment repairs which may be required as a result of the Agency or MABAS Division 17 response.

- All applicable expenses will be paid to the appropriate agency, ie MABAS Equipment and Truck/Trailer expenses will be paid to the Division. Fire Apparatus, Ambulances and all Personnel will be paid to their respective Departments.

5.0 ADOPTION

- This directive replaces the Hazardous Material Spiller Pays Policy adopted April 3, 2013
- This directive was adopted by MABAS Division 17, and accepted as a policy at its regular meeting on September 2, 2020.

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