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WASHINGTON, DC 20510-3903

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Ms. Bridget Bean
Deputy Assistant Administrator, Grant Programs Directorate
Federal Emergency Management Agency
400 C Street, SW, 3rd Floor North
Washington, DC 20472

EMW-2017-FO-02675

Dear Ms. Bean:

I write in support of the Lime Rock Fire District's application for funding through the Federal Emergency Management Agency's (FEMA) Fiscal Year 2017 Assistance to Firefighters Grant program. This funding will assist the Department in purchasing a new Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) Washer/Extractor and Dryer system to support the maintenance of their firefighter's protective gear.

The purchase of a new PPE Washer/Extractor and Dryer system to handle multiple sets of gear will greatly improve the Department's efficiency in decontaminating gear and getting it back in service quickly. This request will increase firefighter safety and allow for a more efficient emergency response.

The Assistance to Firefighters Grant program is an essential resource for local fire departments to ensure they have the appropriate equipment to respond safely and effectively respond to emergencies. I support the Lime Rock Fire District's proposal and request your support of this application within all applicable rules and regulations.

If I can be of assistance to you in this matter, please do not hesitate to call Christopher Albert of my Providence office at (401) 528-5200.

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Sincerely,

United States Senator

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