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SUBJECT: State and Local Domestic Preparedness Support Helpline (1-800-368-6498)

The Office for State and Local Domestic Preparedness Support (OSLDPS) is pleased to announce the recent activation of the State and Local Domestic Preparedness Support Helpline. Initially developed by the Department of Defense (DoD) as a chemical biological Helpline for first responders nationwide under the Nunn-Lugar-Domenici (NLD) Domestic Preparedness Program, the Department of Justice (DOJ), through OSLDPS, is continuing and enhancing the information available through this service.

The Helpline, a *non-emergency* resource, is staffed weekdays from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. eastern standard time. On weekends, holidays and after business hours, callers can leave a voice mail message. By just dialing 1-800-368-6498, you can speak with a dedicated operator ready to provide general information on all of the OSLDPS programs, as well as specific information on the characteristics and control of WMD materials, defensive equipment, mitigation techniques and available federal assets.

Attached is a copy of State and Local Domestic Preparedness Support Helpline Fact Sheet, providing further information regarding this service.

Attachment