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SUBJECT: Critical Incident Protocol : A Public and Private Partnership

The Office of Justice Programs (OJP), Office for State and Local Domestic Preparedness Support (OSLDPS), has been working with representatives from the School of Criminal Justice, Michigan State University on the development of a <u>Critical Incident Protocol: A Public and Private</u> <u>Partnership</u>.

Through a grant with OSLDPS, Michigan State University has developed this protocol for private industry and public entities to use as a planning tool in working together to plan for domestic terrorist incidents and other community disasters. Important elements include planning, mitigation, business recovery, lessons learned, best practices, and plan exercising.

The processes outlined in the Protocol resulted from the collective input of over 150 persons familiar with emergency management who participated in five regional meetings throughout the State of Michigan. Their expertise provided lessons learned and examples on why the public and private sector should partner to assess, plan, respond and recover from a Weapon of Mass Destruction (WMD) incident and other community disasters.

The Protocol will soon be available on the OSLDPS website at <u>www.ojp.usdoj.gov/osldps</u>. If you have any questions you can contact Scott Kelberg, Program Manager, at (202) 305-2142 or at kelbergs@ojp.usdoj.gov.