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TO: All State Administrative Agency Heads

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All State Homeland Security Directors

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SUBJECT: Fiscal Year (FY) 2007 Emergency Management Performance Grants (EMPG)

Program Guidance and Application Kit

The FY 2007 EMPG Program Guidance and Application Kit is now available online at http://www.ojp.usdoj.gov/odp/grants_programs.htm.

Emergency management is a vital part of the Department of Homeland Security's preparedness mission and EMPG directly supports the Nation's emergency management community. The FY 2007 EMPG Program provides \$194 million in critical assistance to sustain and enhance state and local emergency management capabilities. FY 2007 EMPG allowable costs remain consistent with previous fiscal years and have been divided into planning, organization, equipment, training, and exercises categories. In addition, management and administration costs are allowable.

The State Administrative Agency (SAA) is the only agency eligible to apply for FY 2007 EMPG funds and is responsible for passing through those funds to the state emergency management agency within 15 days of award. SAAs must apply for FY 2007 EMPG through the online Grants.gov system at http://www.grants.gov by the Authorized Organization Representative. The Grants.gov customer support hotline is 1-800-518-4726 and the hours are Monday – Friday, 7:00 a.m. – 9:00 p.m., Eastern Standard Time. FY 2007 EMPG guidance is available as of *November 27, 2006* and the completed application **must be received by G&T no later than** *11:59 p.m. Eastern Standard Time, December 29, 2006*. G&T will evaluate applications and award funds within 30 days of receipt of application.

Additional questions may be directed to your Preparedness Officer or the Centralized Scheduling and Information Desk at askcsid@dhs.gov, 1-800-368-6498.