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The intent of this *NIMS Alert* is to inform all NIMS Stakeholders of a new fact sheet for Local Emergency Planning Committee's on NIMS compliance requirements.

NATIONAL INCIDENT MANAGEMENT SYSTEM (NIMS) INTEGRATION CENTER NIMS COMPLIANCE REQUIREMENTS FOR LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE'S

Since October 1, 2005, all 56 States and Territories were required to meet NIMS implementation requirements to be eligible to receive Federal preparedness assistance in the form of grants, cooperative agreements and direct contracts. Local Emergency Planning Committee's (LEPC's) participate in the communities within the States by assisting in the preparation of emergency response plans to prepare for and respond to chemical emergencies.

THIS FACT SHEET ADDRESSES:

- **What is a Local Emergency Planning Committee?**
- **What are the required elements of a community emergency response plan that is developed by an LEPC?**
- **What actions must LEPCs take to comply with National Incident Management compliance requirements?**
- **What courses must LEPC members complete to comply with National Incident Management compliance requirements for FY 2007?**
- **LEPC's receive grant funds under the Department of Transportation's Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Program. Will the LEPC lose those funds if all of the LEPC members have not taken ICS training?**
- **How can DHS make rules for grant programs that are managed by other federal agencies? Are LEPCs going to be subject to grant monitoring by DHS?**

This fact sheet can be downloaded from the NIMS Integration Center website at:
http://www.fema.gov/pdf/emergency/nims/lepc_fs.pdf.