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**From:** Passey, David  
**Sent:** Sunday, August 28, 2005 7:16 PM  
**To:** Taylor, Cindy; Greff, Stacie; Brach, Patricia; Widomski, Michael; Andrews, Nicol D - Public Affairs; Rule, Natalie; McIntyre, James; Ellis, Barbara J; Cable, Kathryn  
**Subject:** Potential hot issue

Although FEMA does not oversee evacuation and sheltering, we may feel the effects of local decisions pretty soon. The current population at the Superdome in New Orleans is 25,000. That's a large crowd during a normal event. Among the shelter population are 400 special needs evacuees and 45-50 sick individuals who require hospitalization. The on-hand oxygen supply will likely run out in the next few hours. According to the ESF8 folks, the local health officials have struggled to put meaningful resource requests together. They have now requested 75-100 oxygen canisters with needs for an additional 300 by Tuesday. This will likely be difficult to fill due to impending transportation limitations, but I will check to see if the request is filled.

Seven trucks (5 water and 2 MREs) are less than 2 hours away from the Superdome. There were transportation problems that temporarily stopped the convoy. Police escorts now accompany the trucks.

Bottom line: Did FEMA fill requests from the state and local officials.

Dave

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**From:** Rhode, Patrick  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 04, 2005 8:16 PM  
**To:** Lowder, Michael; Buikema, Edward  
**Cc:** 'Ken.Burris'; 'brooks.altshuler'  
**Subject:** Re: Please say ms commodity situation is improving

Please make sure that Carwile is telling Governor about diversions - we fix this we can turn the corner there - and potus is on ground tomorrow

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Lowder, Michael <Michael.Lowder>  
**To:** Rhode, Patrick <Patrick.Rhode>; Buikema, Edward <Edward.Buikema>  
**CC:** 'Ken.Burris'; 'Ken.Burris'; 'brooks.altshuler'; 'brooks.altshuler'  
**Sent:** Sun Sep 04 20:07:50 2005  
**Subject:** RE: Please say ms commodity situation is improving

Yes, but it is slow. The supply side is slowing starting to get closer to catching up with the demand. It is better, but still not what we want.

We continue to have issues with truck being "diverted" which is slowing the deliveries. Many of the diversions are by law enforcement officers. We are having to put security on the trucks, and that also causes delays.

-----Original Message-----  
**From:** Rhode, Patrick  
**Sent:** Sunday, September 04, 2005 8:02 PM  
**To:** Buikema, Edward; Lowder, Michael  
**Cc:** 'Ken.Burris'; 'brooks.altshuler'  
**Subject:** Please say ms commodity situation is improving

Thanks

# Commodities Delivered – Cumulative

(As of 0600 September 7)

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## Louisiana

- 9,200,000 lbs of ice
- 9,450,000 liters of water
- 7,266,816 MREs
- 30,240 tarps
- 51 generators

## Alabama

- 7,600,000 lbs of ice
- 2,466,000 liters of water
- 1,378,944 MREs
- 17,640 tarps
- 17 generators

## Mississippi

- 28,960,000 lbs of ice
- 9,306,000 liters of water
- 3,305,088 MREs
- 28,224 rolls of plastic sheeting
- 22,680 tarps
- 77 generators

## GRAND TOTALS:

- 45,760,000 lbs of ice
- 21,222,000 liters of water
- 11,950,848 MREs
- 28,224 rolls of plastic
- 70,560 tarps
- 145 generators



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