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SUBJECT: Information Regarding the Release of Multi-jurisdictional Prevention and Response Plan Guidance

The Department of Homeland Security, Office of State and Local Government Coordination and Preparedness, Office for Domestic Preparedness (ODP), is pleased to disseminate the following information regarding the upcoming release of the Multi-jurisdictional Prevention and Response Plan (MPRP) Guidance. The FY 2005 Homeland Security Grant Program (HSGP) guidance requires each urban area receiving FY05 Urban Areas Security Initiative (UASI) funds to develop multi-jurisdictional prevention and response plan(s) based on the Homeland Security Council National Planning Scenario for Improvised Explosive Devices (IEDs). If a state does not have a designated urban area, then it must identify a metropolitan area to develop the plan(s). This metropolitan area should be the same metropolitan area tasked with developing a tactical interoperable communications plan as required by the FY2005 HSGP guidance. (Additional information on the multi-jurisdictional prevention and response planning requirement is available on pages 50-51 of the FY2005 HSGP Guidance.)

Detailed MPRP Guidance will be released on **May 2, 2005**.

NOTE: This release date is a change from the March 31, 2005 date articulated in the FY2005 HSGP guidance. Grantees will still have six months from the release of the MPRP Guidance to develop their plan(s) (May 2, 2005–November 2, 2005). In addition, the HSGP guidance notes that the MPRP guidance would be released in concert with the National Preparedness Guidance, which is due for release under separate cover.

The MPRP Guidance will describe the target prevention and response capability levels as they relate to the IED scenario and provide instructions regarding the application of these capabilities in the development and update of prevention and response plans. The MPRP Guidance will also address how the prevention and response plans can be synchronized and integrated. The use of templates, guidelines, and instructions will facilitate the creation of and updates to an effective jurisdictional prevention and response plan. The MPRP Guidance has been created to provide baseline information to illustrate the minimum capabilities required to effectively prevent, if possible, an IED event and various response actions to address the threat should it occur.

The MPRP Guidance will consist of tools to provide sufficient, stand-alone assistance in meeting jurisdictional prevention and response planning needs for the IED scenario. ODP is committed to supporting those jurisdictions requiring assistance to ensure understanding of the guidance and

subsequent application/implementation. Technical assistance will be available to all interested jurisdictions beginning May 2, 2005. Detailed information on the technical assistance and how to request it will be provided in the MPRP Guidance.

In the meantime, questions regarding the MPRP requirement and guidance can be directed to either Dave Brannegan, MPRP Technical Assistance Program Manager, at dave.brannegan@dhs.gov or your State's assigned Preparedness Officer.