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VDFP Launches New Foam Trailer Program

RICHMOND, VIRGINIA: – The Virginia Department of Fire Programs (VDFP) today announced a new Foam Trailer Program that will benefit localities throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia. The program consists of seven 500 gallon aqueous film foaming trailers that will be stored in seven geographic locations throughout the state. Each trailer will have the capability of supporting ongoing foaming operations during aviation, transportation, hazardous materials and marine incidents.

"The Foam Trailer Program is a cooperative effort between Virginia's Department of Fire Programs, the Department of Emergency Management and localities," said W. G. Billy Shelton, executive director of VDFP. "We are excited about the new trailers, and look forward to their statewide use."

Stafford County's Fire and EMS Department received the first foam trailer on Thursday, May 17. The host department will house the trailer, and will be responsible for the units rolling response. VDFP will provide annual maintenance and associated equipment, as well as licensing and state inspections for the trailer.

The following counties in addition to Stafford County will have access to the foam trailer during ongoing foaming operations:

Clarke County	Culpeper County
Fauquier County	Frederick County
Madison County	Orange County
Page County	Rappahannock County
Rockingham County	Shenandoah County
Spotsylvania County	Stafford County
Warren County	