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ISLE OF WIGHT
COUNTY, VIRGINIA
DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

July 20, 2015

Virginia Fire Service Board
1005 Technology Park Drive
Glen Allen, VA 23059-4500

Dear Sir/Madam:

This is to request the services of the Virginia Fire Services Board (VFSB) in conducting a complete and thorough review of the combination Fire and EMS system in Isle of Wight County.

This study has the support of the Isle of Wight County Board of Supervisors as shown by the attached letter of request authorized by Board motion at its July 16, 2015 meeting.

The requested areas of concentration of this study include:

- Overall organization and structure of the emergency services system
- Budget & Central Purchasing
- Assessment of training delivery system for Fire/EMS
- Policy/Procedure/Standards applicable to all Fire/EMS staff including:
 - Minimum training standards
 - Responding interval standards
- Fire/EMS apparatus fleet (current and future needs)
- Improved service delivery (direction for the future)

It is the Board's and my proposal to have a complete and thorough review of our combined system and a comprehensive list of recommendations to enhance the delivery of our services for our citizens. Your efforts toward completing this study within an approximately six-month timeframe would be greatly appreciated.

Your consideration of this request at the next available opportunity would be greatly appreciated. I am available to respond to any questions you may have regarding this request and I and my staff look forward to a productive process in conducting this study.

Sincerely,


Anne F. Seward
County Administrator

Attachment

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ISLE OF WIGHT COUNTY, VIRGINIA

July 17, 2015

Mr. Walter Bailey
Chairman
Virginia Fire Services Board
1005 Technology Park Drive
Glen Allen, VA 23059


Dear Mr. Bailey:

On behalf of the Isle of Wight County Board of Supervisors, I am writing to request a Fire and Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Study by the Virginia Fire Services Board. The need for this request was discussed by the Board of Supervisors at its July 16, 2015 meeting and has been authorized by Board motion.

Isle of Wight County is served by a Department of Emergency Services and seven volunteer fire and rescue agencies. The County is requesting the study as part of our continuous effort to ensure the citizens of Isle of Wight County receive high quality and effective fire and emergency medical services. It is our desire to have an independent, objective, assessment of our fire and EMS system in an effort to identify strengths, weaknesses, and opportunities for improvement in accordance with best practices in fire and EMS service delivery.

Your favorable consideration of our request would be greatly appreciated. Should you have any questions regarding the County's request, do not hesitate to contact Jeff Terwilliger, Chief of Emergency Services, at (757) 357-8218.

Sincerely,


Rex Alphin
Chairman
Board of Supervisors

pc: The Honorable Board of Supervisors
Anne F. Seward, County Administrator
Jeffrey T. Terwilliger, Chief of Emergency Services

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