



Wayne Goodwin, Commissioner of Insurance
Rick McIntyre, Assistant State Fire Marshal

October 31, 2016

Bobby Nugent, Fire Chief
City of Greensboro
1514 North Church Street
Greensboro, North Carolina 27405

Dear Chief Nugent,

Thank you for your progressive willingness to step forward as one of several North Carolina Metropolitan Fire Departments willing to provide personal protective equipment (PPE) for fire departments devastated by Hurricane Matthew earlier this month.

The North Carolina Office of State Fire Marshal (OSFM) has been tasked by several counties to assist with locating PPE for fire departments whose gear was literally washed away by flood waters leaving the firefighters without proper protecting clothing. As you are aware, PPE has a maximum useful life of ten (10) years and I understand that Greensboro has some gear that is near that expiration date, but that the City of Greensboro would be willing to transfer to other North Carolina units of local government.

Specifically, in accordance with North Carolina procurement and property surplus law, we respectfully request that the City of Greensboro consider transferring any available, qualifying PPE from ownership by the City of Greensboro to Robeson County Government and Edgecombe County Government as soon as conditions will allow. We can work with your staff to identify the specific pieces of PPE going to each county government.

This assistance will be invaluable in enabling these departments to sustain a basic level of service until long-term replacement gear can be ordered and obtained for their firefighters. Please let me know how we can help facilitate this transfer in any way. Thank you for your leadership role in helping the fire service of North Carolina through this challenging situation.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Gregory H. Grayson".

Gregory H. Grayson
OSFM Assistant Director

cc: Rick McIntyre, Assistant State Fire Marshal