



RACINE FIRE DEPARTMENT
Chief's Office: 262-635-7911

November 20, 2013

Honorable Mayor and Common Council

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

The Fire Department is requesting permission to accept the 2013 Port Security Grant in the amount of \$49,000, to acquire additional water and dive rescue equipment as part of a regional collaborative effort. This grant will allow us to complete the cache of equipment necessary for any water related emergency. Additionally, the grant provides for \$8000 to be used for water rescue dive training with nationally accredited water rescue instructors.

The City's match for this grant is 25% and is approved under the CIP program for 2014.

It is important to note that this grant completes the cache of equipment we have acquired under the 2009 and 2011 Port Security Grants. This equipment is intended to be used locally and regionally in support of water rescue emergencies. Many grants that are available today are insistent on regional approaches to equipment acquisition.

Respectfully submitted,

Steve Hansen, Fire Chief