

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

November 24, 2010

Honorable Mayor and Common Council

Dear Honorable Mayor and Common Council:

The Fire Department, working cooperatively with the Milwaukee Fire Department and the Urban Area Security Initiative (UASI), identified a weakness in fire fighting capabilities in Southeast Wisconsin.

Both fire departments have a need for a fire fighting foam trailer, which will be used to fight fires that are hydrocarbon-based, such as gasoline, diesel and alcohol. Currently there is not enough fire fighting foam capacity in the region to sustain a long-term operation.

Given that anywhere from 50 to 50,000 gallons of hydrocarbon could be spilled and involved in a fire, we need this capability.

The grant is for \$45,000 and there is no financial match on the part of the City.

Respectfully submitted,

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