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MEMORANDUM

TO: Frank J. Underwood, President
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FROM: William E. Barnard, CFPS, State Fire Marshal

DATE: May 9, 2009

RE: National Fire Station Database Project

In the coming weeks Maryland fire departments will be receiving a survey from Explore Information Services, L.L.C. This company has been contracted by the Federal Intelligence Community to develop and maintain a National Fire Station Database as part of the Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Geospatial Infrastructure Contract.

This is a legitimate survey and it is requested that every fire department complete this survey when they receive it. Through the Maryland Emergency Management Agency, County Emergency Managers will be advised of the importance of this project and they may also be contacting fire departments in their counties to urge participation.

Thank you for taking the time to make this project as beneficial as possible. More information regarding the project can be viewed at <http://www.nationalfirestation.com/>.

If you have any questions regarding the project or survey, please contact Kathy Enga at Explore Information Service.

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