



FIRE AND RESCUE DEPARTMENT

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TO: All Fire and Rescue Personnel

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RE: **SEPARATION OF FIRE 4 RESPONSIBILITIES – USAR TO FIRE 4 AND HAZMAT TO FIRE 9**

Due to the increased number of hazardous material events, specifically suspicious packages, white powder calls, Meth labs, and others, and the increasing amount of equipment, knowledge, and required Federal Agency partnerships, we are splitting the roles and responsibilities of Fire 4. Effective December 1, 2013, Fire 9 will relocate to Station 21 and assume the role of the Hazardous Materials Chief. Fire 4 will remain at Station 4 and continue the role of USAR and Special Operations Chief. For the foreseeable future, both Fire 4 and Fire 9 will respond to all Hazmat and USAR calls either as the group supervisor or group safety officer as required by federal law at these events. This change will greatly increase the effectiveness of JFRD to respond to and manage these most difficult events.

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