

Memorandum of Understanding
Between
The New Hampshire Department of Safety
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management
(HSEM)
And
New Hampshire Telecommunications
Emergency Response Taskforce
(NHTERT)

This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) will serve to establish the relationship between the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, Department of Safety, State of New Hampshire ("HSEM") and New Hampshire Telecommunications Emergency Response Taskforce ("NHTERT"), a New Hampshire non-profit organization, for the purpose of fulfilling the missions of both organizations. Both named organizations have resources and needs that may be similar in nature and cooperation and interaction should benefit the named organizations in a mutual manner.

HSEM responsibilities

HSEM will attempt to assist NHTERT with resources and personnel, as available, to assist NHTERT in the development and implementation of improved operations, to include; training drills, exercises, and other related activities. HSEM assistance to NHTERT may include personnel, communications equipment, mobile communications vehicles, meeting space and/or other resources. No expectation is assumed that any resource would be available to NHTERT if its utilization would interfere with the operations of HSEM. No expectation of the availability of any resource is implied or assumed.

Nothing in this MOU should imply any guarantee or any expectation of any service to be provided by any party to this agreement. The MOU is wholly intended to support the mutual efforts of the aforementioned agencies in furthering their missions.

NHTERT responsibilities

NHTERT is a not for profit organization with a membership representing numerous public safety agencies from around New Hampshire – there are no employees. NHTERT has a mission of providing public safety communications assistance to agencies needing assistance in times of crisis or other unplanned emergency circumstance. NHTERT is a clearinghouse for organizations and the response of team members to these emergencies. HSEM operates a communications section that requires staffing during times of the HSEM Emergency Operations Center activation. NHTERT-affiliated personnel, as public safety communicators, may occasionally be able to assist in this staffing mission and other HSEM activities. No expectation is assumed that any resource would be available to HSEM if its utilization would interfere with the operations of NHTERT or its affiliated agencies. No expectation of the availability of any resource is implied or assumed.

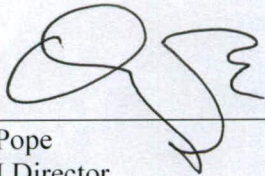
Members of the NHTERT acknowledge that they shall not be agents or employees of the State of New Hampshire or HSEM when responding to an incident pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding.

Liability

NHTERT will hold the State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety and HSEM harmless for any liability and personal injury that may occur from or in connection with the performance of this Memorandum of Understanding. NHTERT releases, waives, indemnifies and holds harmless the State of New Hampshire, Department of Safety and HSEM, its agents, administrators, representatives, officers, directors, employees of and from all and all manner of actions, liability, causes of action, suits, proceedings, judgments, damages, claims or controversies and demands whatsoever in law or in equity arising out of, directly or indirectly, to any loss, damage, injury or suffering, known and unknown, foreseen and unforeseen, including death that may be sustained by members of the NHTERT or its property, or which NHTERT's members may cause to be sustained or suffered by any third party, while acting as a member of NHTERT. NHTERT and its members acknowledge that they will assume all risk of loss, damage, injury, including death that may be sustained by members of NHTERT while acting as a member of NHTERT pursuant to this Memorandum of Understanding.

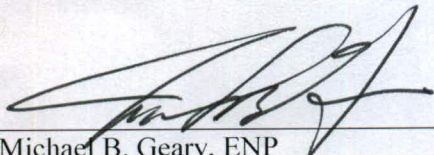
Effective dates

This MOU will be effective from the date signed until such time as written notice is provided by either party to the other of any requested modification of termination.



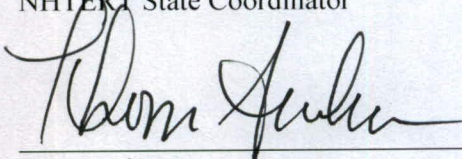
Chris Pope
HSEM Director

24 August 2010
Date



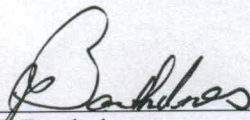
Michael B. Geary, ENP
NHTERT State Coordinator

8/25/10
Date



Tom Andross
NHTERT Director

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Date



John J. Barthelmes
Commissioner of Safety

8/26/10
Date