ARTICLE 1. PURPOSE

- (A) (1) THE PURPOSE OF THIS COMPACT IS TO PROVIDE FOR MUTUAL ASSISTANCE BETWEEN THE JURISDICTIONS ENTERING INTO THIS COMPACT IN MANAGING AN EMERGENCY.
- (2) THIS COMPACT ALSO SHALL PROVIDE FOR MUTUAL COOPERATION IN EMERGENCY-RELATED EXERCISES, TESTING, OR OTHER TRAINING ACTIVITIES USING EQUIPMENT OR PERSONNEL SIMULATING PERFORMANCE OF ANY ASPECT OF THE GIVING AND RECEIVING OF AID BY PARTY JURISDICTIONS DURING EMERGENCIES.
- (2) THIS COMPACT ALSO SHALL PROVIDE FOR ACTIONS OCCURRING OUTSIDE ACTUAL DECLARED EMERGENCY PERIODS.

ARTICLE 2. REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE

- (B) (1) THE SENIOR ELECTED OFFICIAL OF EACH JURISDICTION SHALL DESIGNATE AN AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE. THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF A PARTY JURISDICTION MAY REQUEST ASSISTANCE OF ANOTHER PARTY JURISDICTION BY CONTACTING THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE OF THAT JURISDICTION.
- (2) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS COMPACT SHALL APPLY ONLY TO REQUESTS FOR ASSISTANCE MADE BY AND TO AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVES.
 - (3) REQUESTS MAY BE VERBAL OR IN WRITING.
- (4) IF VERBAL, THE REQUEST SHALL BE CONFIRMED IN WRITING AT THE EARLIEST POSSIBLE DATE, BUT NO LATER THAN 10 CALENDAR DAYS FOLLOWING THE VERBAL REQUEST.
- (5) <u>WRITTEN</u> REQUESTS SHALL PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:
- (I) A DESCRIPTION OF THE EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION FOR WHICH ASSISTANCE IS NEEDED;
- (II) THE EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION SHALL INCLUDE, BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO, FIRE SERVICES, LAW ENFORCEMENT, EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES, TRANSPORTATION, COMMUNICATIONS, PUBLIC WORKS AND ENGINEERING, BUILDING INSPECTION, PLANNING AND INFORMATION ASSISTANCE, MASS CARE, RESOURCE SUPPORT, HEALTH AND MEDICAL SERVICES, AND SEARCH AND RESCUE;