**AUTOMATIC AID AGREEMENT FOR FIRE PROTETION**

**North Carolina**

**(Your County) County**

 This agreement, made and entered into this 1st. day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ by the Fire

Departments, non-profit corporations of (Your County) County, North Carolina, and the municipal

Corporations of (Your County) County, North Carolina.

 THAT, WHEREAS, the General Assembly of North Carolina did enact into law an act to

authorize automatic aid assistance between fire departments whereby full authority may be

exercised by fire departments to send firemen and apparatus beyond the territorial limits which

they normally serve, said act having been codified as Chapter 58, Section 83-1, of the General

Statutes of North Carolina;

 WHEREAS, the county has written automatic aid protocols which is maintained and

utilized by the (Your County) County Communications Center and is utilized on all structure fires

whereby they simultaneously dispatch the automatic aid departments;

 WHEREAS, the purpose of this agreement is to provide each of the parties hereto, through

their mutual cooperation, a pre-determined plan; as agreed upon in dispatch protocol, by which

each of them render aid to the other in case of any incident;

 WHEREAS, it is deemed to be in the public interest for the parties hereto to enter into an

Agreement for automatic aid assistance, and in order to increase fire defenses and to assure

proper fire control, as well as providing reserves needed to assure the community of adequate

protection;

 WHEREAS, by action of the undersigned officials, this agreement for reciprocal automatic

aid assistance was duly authorized;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual covenants contained herein by and

between the parties hereto, it is hereby agreed as follows:

1. To activate the terms of this agreement as herein set forth, due to conflagration,

holocaust, civil disorder or natural disaster, upon notification that an emergency does, in

fact, exist and that aid is needed. The County will dispatch available apparatus equipment

and manpower into action to assist the needed party.

 2. It shall be the responsibility of the officer of the fire department of the responding party

that all personnel responding to the assistance are responsible persons and that

the conduct and actions of said personnel shall be the responsibility of the party sending

assistance.

 3. The party responding to the automatic aid under the terms of this agreement

shall assume all liability and responsibility for damage to its own apparatus and/or

equipment. The party responding shall also assume all liability and responsibility for

any damage caused by its own apparatus while responding to or returning from a specific

location.

 4. Each party to this agreement shall assume all costs of salaries, wages, bonuses or other

compensation for its own personnel that responds for duty under the terms of this

agreement and shall also assume all cost involving the use of apparatus, equipment, tools

used specifically in response to the request for aid and shall make no charge for such use

to the party requesting assistance.

5. Either party may, at any time, terminate this agreement, through its Board of Directors,

and upon the serving of a thirty-day written notice to The (Your County) County Fire Marshal.

 6. When fire department personnel respond pursuant to the agreement, the jurisdiction,

authority, rights, privileges, and immunities including coverage under workers

compensation laws shall be extended to department personnel during the entire incident

until completion.

 7. When any party contained in this agreement is providing automatic aid to another party,

it is agreed to respond with a minimum of one piece of fire apparatus capable of carrying

a minimum of 1,000 gallons of water.

**(YOUR COUNTY) COUNTY FIRE DEPARTMENTS**

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