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Subject: Kachemak Code Blue Ambulance
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[KESA Code BluePhase 10 ambulance award letter 5-20-10.pdf](#)

Brenda,

Here are some supporting documents for the KESA ambulance project. I've attached the original award letter where it indicates the local match is \$9,000. I have also attached a copy of the State Code Blue Steering Committee approved list of transportation project for Phase 10 which shows that there was \$1,000 under the "Other/Unmet" column. What that means is the allocated funding was \$1,000 short and which increases the local match to \$10,000.

Please note that the USDA-RD funding for this project is approved for 75% of the total project cost up to \$135,000 maximum. The State funding is capped at \$35,000. The amount initially budgeted for this project is \$180,000. If there are change orders or additional costs added to this project during the pre-build conference at the Braun Northwest factory, or during the construction (through change orders approved by all parties) the cost may change effecting the local match.

I fully understand that we need to follow the municipal guidelines and process and I thank you for all of your help with this! If you need anything else from me please let me know.

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"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has." - Margaret Mead

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May 20, 2010

Robert Ciccicarella, Fire Chief
Kachemak Emergency Services
53048 Ashwood Ave.
Homer, AK 99603

Dear Chief Ciccicarella,

The Code Blue Phase 10 equipment requests submitted by your agency for consideration in November 2009 have gone through a rigorous review process over the last several months. There have been multiple review steps along the way, which include Southern Region staff, Board of Directors Equipment Review Committee, the Southern Region Board of Directors, and then the Statewide Code Blue Steering Committee.

During these steps, items have been considered based on many established criteria, including whether they are essential EMS equipment, whether they meet minimum criteria, reasonableness of the request, application to the community setting, documentation of need, costs, how they fit into regional and statewide priorities, and a host of others. In addition, there are always more requests than can ultimately be funded, so some simply do not make the list or their funding is capped.

At this time we developed a well reviewed and thoroughly vetted list of equipment on which to focus our energies over the next year.

The portion of funding we receive from the State via the Governor's Capital Equipment bill is awaiting the Governor's signature at this time. We don't anticipate any problems with that funding and anticipate that when all the paperwork is completed, it will be available by mid August.

We have submitted a grant request to the USDA – Rural Development office and are waiting on the results of that application. We usually receive notification in late August on these grants. If we are awarded funding through the USDA-RD, we anticipate all paperwork should be completed and funds released by November 2010. If this grant application is not successful, we will then look for other grant sources.

If you submitted requests for items that were not approved, do not loose heart. Perhaps next year's application can be strengthened, more data supplied or reformatted to be clearly stated. Perhaps Code Blue just is not the right source and you can look elsewhere for funding better suited to your individual equipment or high cost, high tech item.

If your item is listed below as *approved*, when all funding is secured, we will start working towards the purchase of this equipment. You will be contacted when we start the process. If it is *changed*, it was altered within the review process and an explanation will be detailed below. If it is listed as *dropped*, it will not be considered in this Code Blue phase.

<u>Item</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Your Match Amount</u>	<u>Total Amount</u>
Ambulance Type I	Approved	\$9,000.00	\$180,000.00
SimMan	Not Approved / Dropped		

Notes:

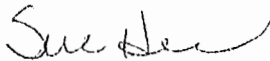
Ambulance Type I: This was approved. If all grant sources are approved (including your local match) the following funding will be available for this project: USDA – 135,000; Local - \$9,000; State - \$35,000; unmet shortfall of funding \$1,000.

The State of Alaska caps their funding for ambulances at \$35,000, which was increased this year from \$30,000 by the State Code Blue Steering Committee.

SimMan: The Southern Region Capital Equipment Committee and Board of Directors did not approve this request and it was dropped from the Code Blue Phase 10 list. The Code Blue grant program is designed for essential EMS equipment and this was not considered essential training equipment.

Thank you for all you do for EMS in Alaska. At Southern Region, we are working hard to support you in every way that we can.

Sincerely,



Sue Hecks,
Executive Director

CC: Jane Shultz, Subarea Coordinator

