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Brenda,

Below is a summary of the State of Alaska's Security Vulnerability Assessment process.

The State of Alaska Security Vulnerability Assessment Team (SVA) was established under Administrative Order No. 203 as a diverse, multi disciplined unit with allocations for members from various agencies such as the Departments of Transportation, Health and Social Services, Administration, Public Safety, Environmental Conservation, and Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management. This unique association allows for an in depth multi-faceted analysis in targeting both man-made and naturally occurring hazards.

The SVA team currently provides risk assessments for critical infrastructure/key resources facilities. A "Security Vulnerability Assessment" utilizes a multi-stepped process to identify and prioritize vulnerabilities of critical infrastructure/key resources that are of importance to provide essential services and that, if disabled or destroyed, could pose significant impact upon an individual, a community, or system. The assessment begins with the local jurisdiction selecting the critical infrastructure and key resources to be evaluated. Upon completion, the SVA team will provide the local jurisdiction with recommendations on how to protect the critical infrastructure. Recommendations on equipment necessary to protect the critical infrastructures will also be provided. Much like a business plan provided to a bank, the assessment can be used to support a request for homeland security funding in the following year(s), and any potential reallocated funding during the grant year.

All information collected by the SVA Team becomes protected from public dissemination under the Homeland Security Act as "Homeland Security Sensitive Information" or as "Protected Critical Infrastructure Information." The means by which the information is classified is dictated by the type of assessment being completed; however, both security classification programs protect information from public disclosure under national law.

I would be happy to come down to KPB to provide additional clarification

information as needed or if requested. Please let me know if there are any additional issues.

Thank you

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