

June 22, 2007

Corey Gruber, Assistant Secretary
National Preparedness Directorate
Federal Emergency Management Agency
245 Murray Lane, Building 410 SW
Washington, D.C. 20528-7000

Reference Grant #EMW-2007-FV-03011

Dear Mr. Gruber:

We offer our support for the \$180,000 grant application submitted by the Upper Dauphin County Emergency Services, Inc. (Medic 6) under the FEMA Vehicle Acquisition Program.

Each of our respective municipalities lies within Upper Dauphin County, a 360 square mile rural area of approximately 31,500 people. Medic 6 is the primary advanced life support service provider for our residents. For approximately 50% of our municipalities, Medic 6 also serves as the primary basic life support provider. Its fleet of five ambulances and two ALS chase vehicles are in need of both a maintenance management and replacement program to ensure reliable transport to hospitals that are approximately 45 minutes or more from most of our municipalities.

Approval of the grant would help Medic 6 purchase new vehicles, which would help to provide more reliable – and safer – service for the citizens of Upper Dauphin County. These improvements will help all aspects of much needed emergency medical services and transportation of patients; our residents.

We hope that you will agree and join us in our support of Medic 6's grant application.

We would be pleased to address any questions, problems, or concerns that you may have.

Sincerely,

UPPER DAUPHIN COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS

Alan Loesch
President

CC: Honorable Arlen Specter
Honorable Robert P. Casey, Jr.
Honorable Tim Holden
Robert P. Wentzel, Upper Dauphin County Emergency Services, Inc.