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To: NWCG Committee Chairs and Geographic Area Coordinating Group Chairs

From: Risk Management Committee

Subject: Transition from Emergency Medical Technician Intermediate (EMTI) to Advanced Emergency Medical Technician (AEMT) and increased training requirement (ICS-200/IS-200.B) for all EMS qualifications.

Background: Recent industry changes to nomenclature for mid-level EMS licenses nationally have prompted a need to modify incident qualification descriptions, mnemonics, and training for the EMTI position. Additionally, ICS-200 (IS-200.B: ICS for Single Resources and Initial Action Incidents) will now be required for all EMS qualifications. The changes will promote consistency between response organizations and ensure personnel are mobilized for incidents with qualifications that meet the needs of requesting units.

Transition Plan

Effective Date:

This transition will be effective as of the next publication of the [Federal Wildland Fire Qualifications Supplement](#) on January 5, 2015.

Currently Qualified:

Individuals with the position competency EMTI with a qualified status will be transitioned to the new mnemonic of AEMT with a qualified status as of the effective date.

Training:

Personnel who have the EMTI position competency with a currency status of qualified as of the date of this transition will be awarded the new AEMT position competency and the ICS-200 competency (historically recognized based on new training requirement).

Personnel who have any of the following EMS position competencies with a currency status of qualified as of the date of this transition will be awarded the ICS-200 competency (historically recognized based on new training requirement):

- Advanced Emergency Medical Technician, Fireline (AEMF)
- Emergency Medical Technician Basic (EMTB)
- Emergency Medical Technician, Fireline (EMTF)
- Paramedic (EMTP)
- Paramedic, Fireline (EMPF)

All other personnel with EMS competencies (AEMF, AEMT, EMTB, EMTF, EMTP, or EMPF) will be required to meet the new training requirement before the qualification can be added. Training is offered by FEMA online ([ICS-200/IS-200.B](#)).

Additional IQCS Considerations:

All historical data will be maintained in IQCS to reflect experience records as they occurred (responder experience as an EMTI will remain as such in responder records). The position mnemonic for EMTI will be inactivated in IQCS as of the effective date.