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ICS HELPS NORTH CAROLINA USAR TEAMS WITH PREPAREDNESS

Charlotte, NC (March 5, 2009) – Incident Communication Solutions, LLC (ICS) personnel recently provided communication support for the North Carolina Urban Search and Rescue (USAR) Spring Full Scale Exercise held at the Charlotte Fire Department (CFD) Training Academy.

The NC USAR real-time exercise is designed to give local USAR Task Force team's hands-on training of the response necessary for a significant incident in the region. The training allows Task Force members to engage in a real-time response that reflects a mass-casualty event such as a building structural collapse. USAR Task Force's were also training on the communications requirements for such an event. The teams also test inter-Task Force communications and interoperability.

ICS provided communication readiness and training support for Charlotte Fire Department's Mobile Operations Center (MOC). The MOC is a state of the art, 53' tractor trailer that can serve dually as a command post and dispatch center. The MOC was utilized as the central command post for the exercise and was the communications HUB for the entire event.

Additionally, ICS supported Task Force 3 personnel on deployment and operation of the group's TICS™ system. The TICS system is deployed as a task force asset and brings voice and data capability over satellite to the team wherever they are deployed.

Both the MOC and the TICS system operate using ICS' Tactical-IP™ satellite service to provide a reliable VSAT connection. Tactical-IP satellite service provides a dependable and economical solution that establishes voice, video and data links from any incident, regardless of location or condition.



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The NC-USAR consists of 11 Task Force response teams across the state of North Carolina. Each team consists of personnel from fire, law enforcement, rescue, and EMS agencies that provide a coordinated response to disasters in urban and rural environments throughout the region.

About ICS: Incident Communication Solutions, LLC, is a technology solutions provider specializing in the design, development and implementation of IP-based emergency communications. ICS provides turnkey solutions in voice, video and data for first responders, disaster recovery and continuity of operations.

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