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Committee Member  
Emergency Management / Homeland Security Commission  
Town of Brooklyn

Dear Sir, on 01-19-17, the Town of Brooklyn Emergency Management / Homeland Security Commission met at the Brooklyn Town Hall where ideas were discussed related to a future planned weekend (2-day) emergency operation exercise. You requested that I present to you in written form a Concept of Operation for the exercise. See Concept of Operation document attached for your and the committee's review.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **Emergency Management / Homeland Security Commission Operations Plan “Storm Fury 2017”**

## **CONCEPT OF OPERATION:**

A planned Emergency Management / Homeland Security Exercise; “Storm Fury” will be conducted in the Town of Brooklyn in the spring or summer of 2017 or 2018. The exercise will include assets that are already available in hand to the town Brooklyn or assets that can be procured or acquired on loan from other sources. The specific location and time of planned exercise will be announced at a later time.

## **MOCK SITUATION:**

The Town of Brooklyn has faced a natural disaster from a hurricane that has caused extensive damage to major parts of the town and as a result of that disaster. Power was lost throughout parts of the town and many citizens were displaced from their homes. Some local residents are now trapped in their homes and are possibly injured.

## **MISSION:**

The Emergency Management / Homeland Security Commission is tasked to execute a pre-planned emergency response plan with the approval and support of the Town Selectman Mr. Ives and his Department Managers. The emergency response volunteer support staff and additional volunteers will assemble at the Brooklyn Town Hall on 00-00-00 at 0700 hours, start and load the support vehicles with the necessary food rations, supplies, and equipment necessary to conduct a sustained emergency effort for the next two (2) days. The below listed equipment will be loaded, secured, and hauled in the support vehicles. After the equipment is loaded, the vehicles will be driven and staged at the pre-designated location (Staging Area) pending the ok to move to the Base of Operations, i.e. Brooklyn Fairgrounds. Once the vehicles arrive at the operation base entry area, they will be directed by volunteer staff to the area where they will be parked and grounded in preparation for the start of the operation. Once parked and grounded, the equipment will be powered up, operational checks will be conducted, and a daily maintenance log will be started and maintained throughout the term of the exercise. The Mobile Emergency Command Post vehicle will also be ground, powered, and startup operation checks conducted by its assigned operator(s). Pre-assigned frequencies will be set on all radios, and radio checks will be conducted. Tents will be erected and

temporary lighting installed, along with temporary heating and cooling if the needs arises. The water buffalo will be filled with potable water prior to or upon arrival at the operation base. The expected duration of the exercise/operation will be a weekend, or two consecutive weekdays, starting at 0700 hours on the first day on 00-00-00 and ending at 1600 hours on the second day on 00-00-00. Equipment breakdown, cleaning, and loading will commence after the mid-day lunch break at 1300 hours on day two (2) of the operation. The equipment will be refueled and prepped for transport back to the original storage location. Prior to the packing of the equipment, an inventory will be conducted for accountability and a list will be completed of the supporting supplies that have been expended, or worn from normal operation use. The re-order will be done once back at base camp. All personnel will be accounted for by their perspective team's leaders prior to exiting the base camp.

**Equipment:**

Mobile Operations Trailer

Mobile 60K Generator

Diesel fuel

Ham Radio(s)/charges/power supplies/antennas

Backup communication i.e., battery powered hand crank telephones/switchboard/wire

Cell phones and charges

Mobile Kitchen and kitchen supplies

Medium tent(s) to house lead staff and shelter victim(s)

Folding desks/chairs

Folding cots

Supplies

Food rations, condiments, and MRE's

Water Buffalo (filled beforehand if time allows)

Portable latrine/Hand washing Station/Sanitation supplies

Temporary lighting

Temporary heating/cooling for tent(s) if available

Topographic maps/Standard maps/compasses/binoculars

Radio Frequency list

Phone contact directories

**COMMAND AND SIGNAL:**

Staff list

Radio used/frequencies assigned

**EXECUTION:** The operation will be executed as directed by the Operation Order. Once the Operations Office Tent is set up, the Town Selectman Mr. Ives will announce over the radio or telephone that the operation has officially started and will assigned the tasks to be completed by special teams equipped to handle the tasks.

**NOTE:** See addendum task list for specific tasks, times of execution, and the personnel assigned to execute the tasks. Tasks will include, but not limited to pre-planned scenarios outlined by the EM/HS committee. The scenarios may include a rescue from the top of a

structure of stranded citizens on rooftops at a flood scene, removal of large trees from the top of homes and vehicles, roadway debris clearance, rescue of injured persons, etc.

NOTE: The execution of tasks will be monitored by a Safety Officer assigned by the EM/HS committee.

NOTE: Special attention will be given to extreme heat/cold temperatures to avoid heat exhaustion/fatigue. In the case of higher than normal temperatures, more frequent periods of rest will be included.

NOTE: The use of special equipment not previously planned for use in the operation must be pre approved before its use, i.e. chain saws, etc. This will avoid injuries from their handling.

#### SERVICE AND SUPPORT:

The operation exercise will be supported by local Fire Departments, Town Resident Troopers, Public Works crews with its associated Equipment, and other entities as the need arises.

#### AFTER ACTION REVIEW/LESSONS LEARNED:

An after action meeting will be held right after the exercise is halted in an effort to provide feedback from the Town Selectman, EM/HS committee members, and volunteers, for future corrective action and lessons learned. All data gathered will be preserved for future planning and FEMA grant applications.

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First Selectman Richard Ives  
Town of Brooklyn, CT