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COMMUNICATIONS OPERATIONS FIRE SERVICE POLICY

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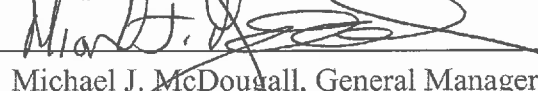
SUBJECT: EXPANDED DISPATCH

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“Expanded Dispatch” is a method of dispatching, consistent with Incident Command System (ICS) communications, which facilitates the moving of escalating single incidents and large-scale disasters off the Dispatch Net and on to a Command Net.

The intended use of expanded dispatch is to:

- Clear the Dispatch Net for emergency dispatches
- Facilitate single point ordering
- Facilitate incident or zone coordination
- Assist in resource tracking

Normally, the assignment of a Command Net (Policy No. 5343) is the triggering mechanism for establishing expanded dispatch. NetCom will, as soon as possible and as staffing allows, assign a dispatcher at an identified dispatch position primary dispatch responsibilities on the assigned Command Net. Normally, expanded dispatch would occupy Position Two in the Fire/EMS pod.