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ITEM 8, FILE 031341 Emma J. Stamps

File No. 031341 is a resolution relating to the Milwaukee Fire Department's acceptance and expenditure of a grant from the Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program FY2003 Part II for Regional Emergency Response Teams.

Background and Discussion

- 1. The United States Office of Justice provides financial assistance for first responders through federal grants. The Milwaukee County Emergency Management coordinates and distributes federal and state first responder grants, including the Wisconsin Homeland Security Response Equipment Grants.
- 2. On December 19, 2003, the Common Council adopted Resolution 031123 authorizing the Milwaukee Fire Department to apply to the Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program Part II for up to \$500,000 grant funding to support Regional Emergency Response Teams.
- 3. The grant will be used to extend heavy rescue response capabilities through the following purchases:
 - Personal Protective Equipment, \$5,200
 - CBRNE Search Rescue Equipment, \$44,699 and
 - CBRNE Incident Response Vehicles, \$450,000
- 4. The acronym CBRNE stands for Chemical, Biological, Radiological, Nuclear, or Explosive.
- 5. The Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program Part II operates from the award date until April 30, 2004.

Fiscal Impact

This resolution authorizes the MFD to accept and expend \$499,899 in grants from the FY2003 Wisconsin Homeland Security Grant Program, Part II.

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