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To: Justice Committee

From: Bill Keller Director

Subject: August Activity Report

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We have submitted our grant request for our annual Emergency Preparedness Grant. This grant is for Federal Funds to offset our administrative costs for fiscal year 2010 and had to be submitted by August 31<sup>st</sup>. This is not a matching funds grant. **I am requesting permission to accept this grant for 2010.** We will not know the total amount of the grant until later in the year, as the Federal Government has not completed their budget.

We have been working with CUPHD and other players in planning for the possibility of a major pandemic affecting Champaign County. We have completed many plans for the vaccination of children in schools as well as first responders. John Dwyer and I were invited down to the CDC in Atlanta for a stakeholder meeting with other from all over the Country to discuss planning and to share what plans are in place. We as a County were recognized for our planning and were look at as being ahead and well prepared for a pandemic affecting the area.

I have been advised by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency that our Regional Emergency Coordination Group (RECG) has been recognizer as one of the best practices in Emergency Management in Illinois. I will be doing a presentation at the IEMA conference in September on the RECG program.