

June 5, 2009

Dr. Jerry Medders, Chairperson  
Salton Comm. Serv. District  
2098 Frontage Rd.  
Salton City, CA 92275



**Re: Extension of Fire Services Agreement Dated July 1, 2008 between County of Imperial and Salton Community Services District**

Dear Jerry Medders:

This letter will serve to confirm that pursuant to Paragraph 4.1 of the above-referenced agreement for fire protection services ("Agreement"), County of Imperial and District of Salton Community Services District is deemed to have been extended for an additional one year period.

Accordingly, the Agreement, which became effective on July 1, 2008 and was extended to end on a fiscal year basis, shall expire on June 30, 2010. All other terms and conditions of the Agreement are and will remain in full force and effect.

There are no other modifications, express or implied, except as herein provided.

By executing this document below, the County of Imperial and District of Salton Community Services District verify that the decision to extend the term of the Agreement is mutual.

Dated:

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COUNTY OF IMPERIAL

DISTRICT OF SALTON COMMUNITY SERVICES DISTRICT

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
WALLY LEIMGRUBER, Chairman  
Board of Supervisors

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Chairperson

ATTEST:

\_\_\_\_\_  
SYLVIA BERMUDEZ, Clerk of the Board  
County of Imperial, State of California



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Salton City Fire Department

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May 29, 2009

Imperial County Fire Department  
Attn. Tony Rouhotas, Fire Chief  
Administration / Prevention  
1078 Dogwood Road  
Heber, CA 92249

RE. Fire Contract - 2009/2010 fiscal year

Chief Rouhotas:

I have presented the County of Imperial's request to renew its fire contract agreement with the Salton Community Services District. Our Board has expressed some discontent in learning that the proposed renewal would come at no additional increase in monetary compensation.

As you are aware, the District has been impacted with having to pay for dispatch services. The cost for this service is nearly 35% of the current negotiated terms. In addition, we have been impacted with a much larger call volume as a direct result of developments within the Vista Del Mar area, which the County of Imperial collects fees for Fire Mitigation. Furthermore, we are experiencing more and more highway incidents due to newer developments along Highway 86.

As I am sure you can appreciate, much improvement has been achieved within our Fire Department over the past year. Our firefighter personnel possess higher levels of training, and maintain higher credentials than ever before. They stand ready to serve.

We would like to ask the County of Imperial to reconsider its request in favor of an increase in negotiated terms for the sum of \$46,000 for the 2009/2010 fiscal year.

Should you have any questions and/or concerns, please feel free to contact me directly.

Respectfully,

**James A. Merton, Fire Chief**  
Salton City Fire Department  
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1 drivers to operate fire-fighting apparatus and shall provide an experienced crew of not less than two (2)  
2 persons, when responding to a call for assistance under this contract. AGENCY shall further participate in  
3 the California Department of Motor Vehicles Pull Program to ensure that its personnel are appropriately  
4 licensed.

5 4. TERM.

6 4.1. The term of this agreement shall be from July 1, 2008 until June 30, 2009, and shall  
7 be deemed renewed from fiscal year to fiscal year, unless thirty (30) days advance written notice of  
8 termination is served by either party hereto prior to June 30 of any year.

9 4.2. Negotiations for any future agreements shall commence six (6) months prior to the  
10 termination date of this agreement and shall be completed prior to the termination date.

11 5. SUPERSEDURE.

12 This agreement supersedes any and all agreements for fire protection services earlier entered into by  
13 the parties.

14 6. CONSIDERATION.

15 For and in consideration of the services to be rendered by AGENCY pursuant hereto, COUNTY  
16 agrees to pay, and AGENCY agrees to accept as full consideration therefore the sum of twenty-four  
17 thousand two hundred eighty-eight dollars (\$24,288) for fiscal year 2008-2009, payable by COUNTY in  
18 arrears in equal monthly installments of two thousand twenty-four dollars (\$2,024).

19 7. ON-SITE COMMAND.

20 When AGENCY is responding to a fire with COUNTY equipment in the unincorporated area of the  
21 County of Imperial, whether or not within the AGENCY area, and the COUNTY Fire Chief and/or his duly  
22 appointed officers are present to assume a unified command of the placement and coordination of  
23 COUNTY's equipment, said AGENCY personnel shall place themselves, and the equipment in their  
24 possession, under the overall command of the COUNTY Fire Chief and/or his duly appointed officers and  
25 shall remain at the scene until released by the COUNTY Fire Chief or his representative in command. An  
26 operational communications plan shall be established by the Incident Commander to ensure effective  
27 communications for all units on scene. Nothing in this section shall preclude the AGENCY Fire Chief or  
28 his designee from recalling AGENCY personnel, if needed to respond to calls for service within the City.