CARVER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Standard Operating Guidelines

Section 4.06 – New Route 44 **June 15, 2013**

1.0 PURPOSE

The purpose of this guideline is to implement a response policy for the New Route 44 Highway

1.1 SCOPE

All fire responses to the New Route 44

1.3 BACKGROUND

As many of you are aware the New Route 44 Highway will be opening very shortly. We are anticipating the opening to be on November 30th. There are several public safety concerns that are being addressed with the Department of Highways by the Towns of Plymouth, Kingston, Plympton, Carver and Middleboro. Most of these concerns are due to the construction of the Highway, being no Emergency Crossovers for the East Bound Lane and the West Bound Lane in Carver. As a result I will be implementing the following procedure for Dispatching Fire to Fire Emergencies associated with **Route 44 only.**

1.4 PROCEDURE:

01. It has been agreed by all Departments that we will be using the names, **44's East Bound Lane**, traveling from Middleboro to Plymouth, and **44's West Bound Lane**, traveling from Plymouth to Middleboro, as the appropriate terminology for the New Highway. An accurate location and lane of travel by Dispatch, will be crucial for our response.

02. In addition to our normal Fire Dispatch Response Guidelines, consisting of a 1 Company Response from 6 pm to 6 am and a 2 Company Response from 6 am to 6 pm., I request the following Fire Department Dispatching Procedures be followed on questionable Incident locations, pertaining to Route 44:

A. Upon your determination that the incident is a Fire Related Emergency, and is **questionable** as to the exact location as to the town the Incident is within, as it relates to Carver, tone out the appropriate **Company or Company's**, and immediately notify, by phone, the appropriate neighboring town.

B. Notify the neighboring town of the nature of the Incident and they will respond with their appropriate apparatus.

C. After you have notified them of the incident and to respond, notify Carver Fire Command.

An example of the communications we expect to hear are:

- Carver Fire Alarm to Company 2 or Company's 1 and 2 receivers, you are responding to a reported Car Fire on Route 44's East Bound Lane in the area of the Carver Middleboro Town Line.

- Activate the tones for the responding station sirens.

- Repeat the previous announcement.

- At this time, you would call Middleboro Fire by phone and advise them of the nature of the incident and our response to a Car Fire on Route 44's East Bound Lane in the area of the Middleboro and Carver Town Line.

- Then notify Fire Command of their notification and their response.

As always if you have any questions regarding this, please contact me