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|  | <b>JEFFERSON COUNTY DEPARTMENT<br/>OF EMERGENCY SERVICES</b><br>STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURES | Initial:<br>09-05-2008<br>Revised: |
|   | SOP#: FIRE 3-13   |                                    |
|   | Subject: Dangerous or Threatening Situations  |                                    |

## DANGEROUS OR THREATENING SITUATIONS

### A. PURPOSE

To ensure the safety and well being of field personnel when the communications center receives information of a potentially violent situation.

### B. PROCEDURE

1. The communications center will notify police agencies of all calls involving any situations where the fire personnel's safety is or could be at risk due to a violent or potentially violent situation.
2. The dispatcher will, in addition to activating the fire department, dispatch the appropriate police department for the area where the fire response is requested in.
3. The dispatcher will inform the responding Fire units and/or OIC of the potential hazard and advise **"the scene is not secure"** when they report enroute and advise them that the police department has been dispatched.
4. The dispatcher will also advise the responding Fire unit(s) of the ETA of the police if it is known. It is recommended that responding fire units/officers shall stage and await police arrival before entering a potentially hazardous situation.
5. If said scene is deemed secure for fire department entry by a police department on-scene, the dispatcher may relay to the fire department the **"scene is now secure per \_\_\_\_ police department."**
6. The dispatchers will advise both the Fire and police agencies responding to these types of incidents of all updates when/if they become available.