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Standard Operating Guidelines

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CONFIRMED GENERAL ALARM FIRES

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Purpose: To establish a procedure for apparatus utilization and placement at confirmed general alarm fires.

For all fire calls in the King of Prussia Volunteer Fire Company First Due Zone, the following apparatus utilization/placement procedures will be followed:

Until the fire is confirmed:

1. It will be the general practice for the Officer In Charge to stage all incoming apparatus in a specific location. At no time will more than two engines respond to the front of the fire building without specific orders from the Officer In Charge.

If the fire is confirmed:

1. It will be the general practice to utilize responding apparatus in the following manner at working fires:

- A. First Due 47 Engine will report to front of the fire building
- B. Second In 47 Engine will stand by near entrance to fire scene and await orders. Will be responsible for standpipe/sprinkler connection at protected buildings and/or laying a supply line.
- C. Tower 47 will proceed into scene and be the aerial device covering the front of the fire building, unless otherwise directed.
- D. Rescue 47 will proceed into the scene and prepare to set up Command Post near front of fire building.
- E. The above procedure will be followed until a staging area is established by the Officer in Charge. All other 47 units will standby at staging area and all manpower will stand fast donning the required level of protection required for the incident.
- F. All manpower will respond to Manpower Staging once established by Officer in Charge.
- G. All other apparatus will respond to the staging area and be directed in as needed
- H. Care will be given to the placement of Rescue 47, Special Service 49 and EMS units are in position beyond hose lines as it relates to line charging.
- I. Special Service 49 will take position at a safe location, away from basic operations to provide air and power at scene.

- J. EMS units will position themselves as near to Special Service 49 as possible and set up a Rehabilitation Center. Rehabilitation will be the responsibility of Lafayette Ambulance Squad to coordinate.