Memorandum of Understanding  
Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association  
U.S. Metropolitan Municipalities EMS Directors Consortium  

1.0 PARTIES: This Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) is entered into by and between the Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association (Metro) and the U.S. Metropolitan Municipalities EMS Directors Consortium (Eagles).

2.0 PURPOSE: The purpose of this MOU is to improve the delivery of fire-based EMS services.

3.0 SCOPE: This MOU describes the activities and arrangements undertaken by mutual consent of the parties concerning educational services, membership activities and communication.

4.0 STIPULATIONS: The parties to this MOU acknowledge and agree to the following stipulations with regard to their respective roles:

4.1 METRO MEMBERSHIP: The Eagles acknowledges the membership characteristics of the Metro in representing those with an interest in various dimensions of public safety, including fire-based EMS, and recognizes its authority to exercise sole and exclusive discretion in all decisions concerning matters related to the direction, administration and operation of the Metro.

4.2 EAGLES MEMBERSHIP: The Metro acknowledges the membership characteristics of the Eagles in representing EMS physicians and recognizes the Eagles authority to exercise sole and exclusive discretion in all decisions concerning matters related to the direction, administration and operation of the Eagles.

4.3 METRO ROLE: The Metro acknowledges the importance of EMS physicians as a critical link to fire-based EMS systems.

4.4 EAGLES ROLE: The Eagles acknowledges the Metro’s prominent role in the development of policy development, management and leadership of fire-based EMS systems.

5.0 ACTIVITIES:

5.1 Metro and Eagles agree to a minimum of one meeting (or conference call) annually between the executive board of Metro and the executive board of the Eagles to monitor and discuss possible amendments to this agreement.
5.2 The Metro will make the Eagles aware of new activities, including new committees, established related to fire-based EMS.

5.3 The Eagles will make the Metro aware of new activities, including new committees, established for the purpose of developing, reviewing, producing, or validating fire-based EMS systems.

6.0 STAFF SUPPORT FOR ACTIVITIES: The Metro and the Eagles each agree to provide staff support in conjunction with the activities covered under this MOU.

7.0 LIAISON ACTIVITIES: The Metro and Eagles agree that maintaining an open, supportive, and frank relationship requires continuous communication. As such, the Metro is committed to ensuring that a Metro representative regularly attends and presents at the Eagles annual conference and the Eagles is committed to ensuring that an Eagles representative regularly attends and presents at the Metro annual conference.

8.0 PUBLICATION AGREEMENT: The Metro acknowledges the importance of providing quality fire-based EMS services. If determined to be mutually beneficial, the Metro and the Eagles agree to cooperate in the development and distribution of fire-based EMS policies and procedures. The specific terms of any such agreements will be determined separately from this MOU.

9.0 POINT OF CONTACT: Each Party will appoint a person to serve as an official Point of Contact and to coordinate the activities of each Party in carrying out this MOU. The initial appointees of each Party are:

Chief Dennis Compton, Metro
TEL:  
Email:  

Dr. John Doe, Eagles
TEL:  
Email:  

10.0 TRAVEL & RELATED EXPENSES: It is recognized that the ability of the Metro and the Eagles to perform any cooperative obligations requires that the participating parties provide their own funding and financial support. Each signatory to this MOU is responsible for its own work and expenses.

11.0 TERM: This MOU shall take effect immediately upon approval by both the Metro President and the Eagles President.
12.0 TERMINATION: This agreement may be terminated by either party by submitting written notice to the other party not less than 90 days prior to the intended date for suspending activities within the scope of this MOU. Such notice shall indicate the reasons for requesting such termination.

Metropolitan Fire Chiefs Association  
By: ______________________________  
   Chief Ned Pettus, Jr., President  
Date: ____________________________

U.S. Metropolitan Municipalities EMS Directors Consortium  
By: ______________________________  
   Dr. John Doe, President  
Date: ____________________________