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RE: Model Local Emergency Operations Plan Annex M - Evacuee-Owned Pet Management

State law requires that municipalities review their local Emergency Operations Plans annually and revise them, as necessary. As of October 1, 2007, these plans must address the evacuation of individuals with household pets and service animals in a disaster or emergency.

The Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security regularly provides model local plans and annexes to aid municipalities in developing or updating their local emergency response plans and annexes. Annex M – Evacuee-Owned Pet Management is one of several annexes that relate to services provided by Animal Care and Control Coordinators. The multiple responsibilities of these coordinators are outlined in the model Basic Emergency Operations Plan, Annex A – Direction and Control, Annex E – Evacuation, and Annex F – Shelter/Mass Care. Annex M - Evacuee-Owned Pet Management has been developed to address the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals only. Municipalities are encouraged to use this Model Annex if necessary to comply with the new requirements.

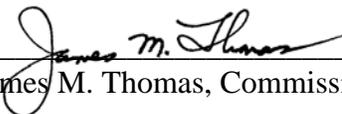
Annex M is available on the DEMHS website website (www.ct.gov/demhs). Click on “Emergency Management” in the left-hand column, then click on Planning Guides, then click on Model Local Emergency Operations Plan, then click on Annex M – Evacuee-Owned Pet Management Plan (2/08).

Technical planning assistance in the use of this model annex can be obtained by contacting your DEMHS Regional Coordinator.

Statutory authority:

- Connecticut General Statutes §§28-7(a), 28-1(4), as amended by Public Act No. 07-11, effective October 1, 2007.

Issued by Order of the Commissioner of the Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security:


James M. Thomas, Commissioner

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Date