

NWCG Equipment Technology Committee

National Fire Equipment System (NFES)

Cache Memorandum: 22-01

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To: NFES: National Interagency Support Caches (NISC)

From: David Haston, Chair – NWCG Equipment Technology Committee

Subject: Removal of NFES 001023 – BATTERY – RADIO – REPEATER – ALKALINE, 7.5 VOLT, NEDA/ANSI 903AC from National Interagency Support Caches.

Issue: The National Interagency Incident Communications Division (NIICD) has reengineered their communications equipment to utilize an alternative battery power source.

Background: NIICD has utilized the NFES 1023 battery to power their repeater systems for many years. The NFES 1023 batteries are increasingly difficult to obtain due to a dwindling manufacturer base and limited customer base. Due to these issues, NIICD has reconfigured the repeater systems and the NFES 1023 batteries are no longer compatible.

Action: This memo supports and directs the removal of the NFES 1023 from the National Interagency Cache System. These batteries can be excessed and/or disposed of by following Agency guidelines and regulatory requirements.

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