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NIOSH ALERT: Preventing Deaths and Injuries of Fire Fighters when
Fighting Fires in Unoccupied Structures

The National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) is planning to publish a *NIOSH ALERT* document titled "Preventing Deaths and Injuries of Fire Fighters When Fighting Fires in Unoccupied Structures." This document addresses considerations of defensive versus offensive fire attack based on knowledge regarding occupancy, and the need for evaluation of the risks versus gains of these strategies.

Since you have programmatic interest or expertise in this subject, we would appreciate you or your designee's review of this draft document. Please send your comments by March 15, 2008 directly to NIOSH.

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