Handout 7-2

Exercise #1: Townhouse Messages

Time: 0730 hours

**Message #1** Slide Iteration #1

First alarm assignment dispatched at 0727 hours.

Engine 1 has arrived on location at 0730 hours. Upon arrival, four adults and two children are outside of the townhouses. Occupants report two adults and one child are unaccounted for from Unit #3, and two occupants each from Units #2 and #4 are unaccountable.

**1st alarm assignment:**

* Engine 1;
* Engine 2;
* Engine 3;
* Ladder 1; and
* BLS 1.

1. Identify the pertinent primary factors and subfactors.

2. Enter factors on the primary Factors Chart and identify pertinent precautions.

**Response time = 3 minutes**

**Estimated burn time = 5 minutes**

Time: 0732 hours

**Message #2** Slide Iteration #2

Establish the Incident Objectives-Strategies-Tactics for the first operational period.

Enter on the Objectives-Strategy-Tactics Chart.

Tactics must be designated on the Objectives-Strategy-Tactics Chart for deployed resources.

When all first alarm resources are deployed, then a **working fire** will be declared and additional companies will be deployed.

**Estimated burn time = 7 minutes**

Time: 0735 hours

**Message #3** Slide Iteration #2

Engine 1 reports heavy fire in second floor middle bedroom. Request another company to support firefighting operations.

Ladder company reports primary search and rescue operations underway in Unit #3.

One male and one female, both occupants from Unit #4 have been located and they are exiting the building. Both are suffering from moderate smoke inhalation. Light to medium smoke conditions in Unit #4 on second floor, no visible fire at this time.

**Estimated burn time = 10 minutes**

Time: 0737 hours

**Message #4** Slide Iteration #3

Missing occupants from Unit #3 have been located. All unconscious in second floor master bedroom. Need medical support.

Engine 1 reports fire knocked down in second floor middle bedroom. Still have medium to heavy smoke conditions on second floor and attic space. Need to check for attic extension.

Unit #2 has light to medium smoke conditions on second floor and attic. No visible fire. Still conducting primary search for reported missing occupants.

**Working fire companies have arrived on scene:**

* Engine 5;
* Engine 6 (RIC);
* Squad 1;
* Air Cascade;
* Safety Officer; and
* **Battalion Chief still responding and has not yet arrived on scene.**

**Estimated burn time = 12 minutes**

Time: 0739 hours

**Message #5** Slide Iteration #3

Attic space inspection in Unit #4 reveals no fire extension.

Engine 1 reports minor extension into attic space in Unit #3. There has been some minor fire extension into second floor hallway sidewall.

Part of the ceiling has collapsed in middle bedroom in Unit #3. One firefighter has suffered a minor back injury.

Emergency medical services (EMS) is requesting additional Medical Units for transportation for evacuated occupants. One is a 4-year-old boy.

**Estimated burn time = 14 minutes**

Time: 0741 hours

**Message #6** Slide Iteration #4

Primary search in Unit #2 has been completed. Still have light smoke conditions on second floor and attic space, no fire extension.

Engine 1 reports small fire extension into Unit #3 attic space. Fire has been knocked down in attic space. Still have light to medium smoke conditions on second floor and attic space. Building structural support conditions appear to be good.

Continuing to check for further extension.

**Estimated burn time = 16 minutes**

Time: 0742 hours

**Message #7** Slide Iteration #4

Engine 1 reports second floor hallway sidewall fire has been extinguished. Still have light smoke conditions on second floor and attic space.

Continuing to check for any further extension.

**Units #1 and #2 and #4 and #5 have been fully ventilated and primary search completed.**

**No spread of fire into Units #1 and 2 or #4 and #5.**

Battalion Chief has arrived on scene.

**Estimated burn time = 17 minutes**

Time: 0743 hours

**Message #8** Slide Iteration #4

Engine 1 reports no further extension of fire in Unit #3.

Prepare for transfer of Command on ICS Form 201.

**Estimated burn time = 18 minutes**