

MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY



Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

444 Cedar Street, Suite 223, St. Paul, Minnesota 55101-6223
Phone: 651/201-7400 Fax: 651/296-0459 TTY: 651/282-6555
Internet: www.dps.state.mn.us

February 6, 2008

To All Emergency Managers:

HSEM wishes to thank you for the fine job you have done in supporting the MnIMS course throughout the state. You have done a great job supporting the course and the results are that thousands of students completed the program. You helped keep Minnesota a leader in ICS training.

Because of a number of changes in the Federal Program we have decided to withdraw the course effective February 8, 2008. All students that have completed the MnIMS course will be recognized as having met the standards of ICS 100-400.

We will continue to support the ICS 100 and ICS 200 courses taught using the curriculum from EMI. These courses can be taught via internet, workbook or a live classroom delivery. All of the MnIMS instructors can teach these classes if they desire.

The rules for ICS 300 and ICS 400 are being revised. The new nation-wide standards will require a minimum of 18 hours of instruction for ICS 300 and a minimum of 14 hours for ICS 400. There will be new guidance's released shortly that will spell out further details

Please feel good about the work you completed supporting ICS in Minnesota. Requirements are changing and we must adapt as circumstances evolve. We simply must move forward and comply with the new guidance's as they are articulated and given to us.

Sincerely,

David B. Berrisford
Homeland Security Branch Director
Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management

Alcohol and
Gambling
Enforcement

ARMER?911
Program

Bureau of
Criminal
Apprehension

Driver
and Vehicle
Services

Homeland
Security and
Emergency
Management

Minnesota
State Patrol

Office of
Communications

Office of
Justice Programs

Office of
Traffic Safety

State Fire
Marshal and
Pipeline Safety

