

US&R GENERAL MEMORANDUM – 2017-014

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FOR: National Urban Search & Rescue Response System

Task Force Representatives

FROM: Dean Scott, Chief

Operations Section

Urban Search and Rescue Branch

SUBJECT: US&R General Memorandum 2017-014 – US&R Branch Staff Change

The purpose of this General Memorandum is to announce to the National Urban Search and Rescue (US&R) Response System (the System) that Elwood (Buddy) Ey has been selected to fill the Program Specialist vacancy in the US&R Branch created when Monique Alston accepted a promotion and new position with another Federal agency.

Buddy retired from the Montgomery Fire & Rescue Service (MCFRS) in 2006 after 25 years of service. In 2009 he was hired back to serve as Maryland Task Force One's (MD-TF1) Program Manager. He has been a member of MD-TF1 since 1994 and served in a variety of positions for MD-TF1 and FEMA's US&R Incident Support Team. Buddy has provided significant service to the System as a former member and Leader of the Finance Subgroup.

Buddy reported to FEMA's orientation course for new employees Monday, January 23, 2017, and upon completion his first day in the US&R Branch will be February 6, 2017. He will then begin to assume responsibility for coordination of the Readiness Assessment Program from the current responsible staff member, Andy Hubert,.

The System is grateful for Buddy's previous dedication and service and is looking forward to working together with him in his new position to further the goals and capabilities of the System.

Questions concerning this action should be directed to Dean Scott at <u>dean.scott@fema.dhs.gov</u> or 202-646-4530.

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