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July 11, 2013

Mr. Scott D. Kerwood
Fire Chief of Williamson County ESD No 03
501 Exchange Boulevard
Hutto, Texas 78634

Place Code: Williamson: 49113

Dear Mr. Kerwood:

Insurance Services Office (ISO) has submitted a recommendation concerning your community's Public Protection Classification (PPC). Currently, the Community's Public Protection Classification rating is a Class 4/9.

Insurance Services Office is recommending that the classification be changed to a split Class 2/8B, with an effective date of 12/01/2013. The recommendation is based on a review of your community performed on 03/26/2013 and does include application of the Texas Addendum.

With a split **Class 2/8B**, all class-rated properties located within 1000 feet of a fire hydrant or water supply suction point and within 5 miles of a fire station will use **Class 2**. All class-rated properties located farther than 1000 feet of a fire hydrant or water supply suction point and within 5 miles of a fire station will use **Class 8B**.

Public Protection Classifications range from 1 (best) to 10 (worst).

We have reviewed the information provided and believe it is sufficient to grant approval. Enclosed is a PPC Submittal sheet indicating point totals for the major areas associated with the review. The Insurance Services Office will be notified of our approval of their recommendation and the 12/01/2013 effective date.

If you have any questions regarding this change, I may be reached at the address indicated above or by telephone at (512) 305-7941.

Please make sure all community officials and residents within your district are notified of the new Public Protection Classification rating for your community, and the effective date.

Sincerely,

Jesse James Williams
Deputy State Fire Marshal
PPC Oversight Officer

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PPC SUBMITTAL

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|---------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|------------|-------------|-------|
| Municipality: | Williamson County ESD No 03 | County: | Williamson | Population: | 39000 |
| Surveyed: | 03/26/2013 | Total Credit: | 81.37 | Class: | 2/8B |
| Submitted: | 07/02/2013 | Effective Date: | 12/01/2013 | | |
| Place Code: | 49113 | Addendum Applied: | 03/26/2013 | | |

SUMMARY OF ASSIGNED CREDIT

| Feature | Assigned Credit | Addendum Credit | Maximum Credit |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| Receiving and Handling Fire Alarms | 8.15 | | 10.00 |
| Water Supply | 38.44 | | 40.00 |
| Fire Department | 33.06 | | 50.00 |
| Texas State Training (CTT) | | 2.17 | 3.26 |
| Texas Addendum Credit (CTX) | | 4.68 | 6.50 |
| * Divergence: | < 5.13 > | | |
| Total Points: | 74.52 | 6.85 | 106.50 |

The Public Protection Class is based on the total percentage credit as follows:

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| Class | Percentage % |
|-------|----------------|
| 1 | 90.00 or more |
| 2 | 80.00 to 89.99 |
| 3 | 70.00 to 79.99 |
| 4 | 60.00 to 69.99 |
| 5 | 50.00 to 59.99 |
| 6 | 40.00 to 49.99 |
| 7 | 30.00 to 39.99 |
| 8 | 20.00 to 29.99 |
| 9 | 10.00 to 19.99 |
| 10 | 0 to 9.99 |

Divergence is a reduction in credit to reflect a difference in the relative credits for the Fire Department and Water Supply.

The difference in protection provided by the fire department and the water supply prevents the better feature from being utilized to its fullest extent. Therefore, an adjustment (divergence) is made to reflect any difference between these two features. Because of the difference in the total weights assigned to the two features, the total for the Fire Department is adjusted to make the comparison reflect the relative adequacies of the two features.

Divergence = 50% (100% water supply credit – 80% of fire department credit)

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