

# Mutual Aid Box Alarm System – Illinois

## Standard Operating Procedure

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### PURPOSE

A policy providing for the uniform procedure by MABAS departments to request Group B Reachback for a Radiological Isotope Identification Device (RIID) as part of the statewide Preventative Radiological/Nuclear Detection (PRND) Program. The PRND Program is an IEMA/Nuclear & Radiation managed program, which is supported by MABAS.

### RESPONSIBILITY

It is the responsibility of every MABAS Division, district, department, special operations team and dispatch center to follow this procedure when a Group B Reachback request for a RIID that is assigned to a MABAS Haz-Mat Team is made.

### ACCOUNTABILITY

All MABAS divisions, departments, districts, special operations teams, dispatch centers and the Executive Board have a part in the PRND program. Accordingly, all are responsible and accountable for compliance.

### REPORTING REQUIREMENT

Group B RIID personnel who respond pursuant to a proper request are required to complete appropriate on-line report forms as established by IEMA.

### DEFINITIONS

- **RIID:**  
Radiological Isotope Identification Device
- **Group B Reachback:**  
MABAS Personnel who have been trained in the proper operation and use of the RIID and who are assigned to a MABAS Haz-Mat Team
- **PRND:**  
Preventative Radiological/Nuclear Detection Program, a program sponsored by the ITTF
- **PRD:**  
Personal Radiation Detector
- **IEMA:**  
Illinois Emergency Management Agency

### POLICY

1. All requests for Group B Reachback by MABAS departments, districts or special operations teams shall be made through the primary divisional dispatch center, unless the primary dispatch center is unavailable. The request may then be made through the secondary divisional dispatch center.

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2. All requests for Group B Reachback from local law enforcement in the jurisdiction or area served by the MABAS Haz-Mat team and RIID responder(s) shall be made through the primary divisional dispatch center of that MABAS division, unless the primary dispatch center is unavailable. The PRD Program Administrator for a local law enforcement agency shall provide information to local law enforcement officers concerning the proper procedures to request Group B Reachback.
3. Each fire department or fire protection district PRD Program Administrator shall provide both their primary and secondary MABAS divisional dispatch center information concerning the location of the RIID, contact/dispatch information for deployment of the RIID, identification and contact information of Group B Reachback personnel and any other pertinent information required to facilitate a prompt response at the time a request for Group B Reachback is received.
4. In the event any MABAS division or jurisdiction within a MABAS division are issued PRDs, and no RIID is available within the division, the primary and secondary division dispatch centers will be provided location and contact information for the closest RIID.
5. A response for Group B Reachback would normally be limited to one (1) or possibly two (2) personnel who are trained in the use and operation of the RIID device. A full Haz-Mat team response should not be made unless requested by the Group B Reachback personnel or another authorized person.
6. If indicated, Group B Reachback personnel may request the assistance of Group C Reachback personnel from the State of Illinois IEMA Health Physics through established procedures.
7. No reimbursement for Group B Reachback personnel is available through ITTF, MABAS or IEMA funding, or any other federal grants.