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Operation: DCE Mississippi Hurricane Katrina Disaster Relief Support

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Period Covered: <u>061900Sep05 – 071900Sep05 As of: 071900Sep05 (Local)</u>

 General Situation. DCE MS continues to monitor DOD units involved in disaster relief operations.

**2. Overall Situation.** DCE Knox, currently located in Jackson, MS, supports federal response and recovery efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Priorities are Search and Rescue (SAR), COMMS, water-food-ice, healthcare, fuel, and security.

FEMA reports 154 confirmed fatalities, 66 reported injuries, 257 homes and 140 mobile homes destroyed, 2,574 homes and 236 mobile homes major damage, 8,279 homes and 3,771 mobile homes minor damage.

• Transportation – All shipping has been shut down along the Mississippi coastal areas. CSX has suspended rail service until further notice. All barge traffic along the Mississippi River has resumed normal operations.

#### **ROAD INFORMATION**

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#### AIRPORT INFORMATION

All airports are open with the exception of:

New Orleans International – accepting emergency relief/military, no power.

Gulfport/Biloxi Regional – accepting emergency relief traffic only

 Communications – Agreements were negotiated with cellular companies to provide "communications on wheels" (COWs). NEXTEL has deployed two and Bellsouth has deployed one to the coast. Ham Radio is in contact with the following County EOCs via HF: Lauderdale, Harrison, Hancock, Tate, DeSoto & Choctaw Counties and contact with the following counties via VHF: Lamar, Forrest, Marion, Jones, Jackson, Harrison, Hancock, and Wayne.

Bellsouth reported initially that 600,000 lines were out of service, but now approximately 365,000 lines have been restored. Approximately 1,422 employees are involved in service restoration and the number of employees will increase by 50

percent. Company representatives predict it could take four to six months before service is restored in severely impacted areas.

- Public Works (No Change) MS Forestry Commission personnel were released by FEMA (9/4/05) from debris assessment.
- Fire Services MFC personnel are working in southern counties on debris estimation. MFC is assisting local EOCs with road clearing and debris from affected areas as well as from MFC offices/centers to prepare for response to potential forest fires. Working to reinstate agency communications system in South Mississippi. Forestry Commission officials are advising the public to not burn debris from cleanup efforts because it may lead to wildfires. Locating cots and blankets through Boise Inter-agency Fire Center. Working additional requests for fuel, phone lines, and a 50kw generator for Waynesboro Forestry Commission Nursery. MS Forestry Commission has identified four persons to move forward with the EOC when it moves. MEMA personnel for the state Information and Planning cell in the JFO have been identified
- Mass Care Currently 117 shelters opened, and additional 16 ARC shelters on standby to be opened as needed. The current total population registered is 13,381 as of 1500 hrs 9/07/05. Special Needs Shelters are:

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MS Juvenile Rehab, Lincoln County
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Pearl River Community College in Hattiesburg
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Salvation Army has mobilized across the State of Mississippi, with 42 mobile units and 4 base camp kitchens, having fed 237,618 individuals as of 9/7/05. Baptist Brotherhood mobile kitchens are working with the ARC in Pascagoula, Biloxi, Laurel, Hattiesburg, Lucedale, Long Beach, and Meridian: more mobile kitchens are scheduled to be placed in other locations. ARC/MSVOAD have deployed 10 portable kitchens to affected areas and have fed 134,269 meals as of 09/04/05. Salvation Army has also provided crisis counseling to 2,927 individuals so far.

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The Strategic National Stockpile push packages in the state were sent forward and distributed. MS is the first state to actually utilize the SNS push packages in a disaster. Numerous health supplies have been sent to affected areas. MDH EMS Mobile Command Center is on location in Bay St. Louis, MS and is credentialing ambulances responding in support of coastal operations. This unit will be on location to support any mass fatalities.

There are currently 62+ nurses, approximately 380 family caregivers, and 1500 patients in the Special Needs Shelters. As of 2330, 9/2/05, 85 MS Physicians and 224 Out-of-state physicians are being utilized by MDH. The following hospitals are open: Gulfport Memorial, Garden Park Community, Ocean Springs – ER open, able to accept patients, FL-4 DMAT in place, and Singing River & Forrest General.

Contact number for volunteer nurses (601) 944-4838. The contact number to request nurses is (601) 953-5408 and to request medical supplies is (601) 576-8081 or (601) 576-7704.

• **Search & Rescue** – Currently a total of 34 teams made up of local resources (SMAC) have been identified for use during the response phase. Will focus on clearing debris from roads north of US Hwy 90.

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Batesville FD	1	7	Gulfport Fire
Tate County	1	4	Gulfport Fire
Sunflower Co. Fire/EMA	1	4	Hancock EMA
South West Ohio K-9	1	4 with 3 dogs	Gulfport FD
Oxford Heavy Equip.	3	13	Gulfport FD
City of Madison	4	18	Gulfport FD
Glen FD	2	2	Gulfport FD
GA Rescue Group	2	6	Gulfport FD
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Grenada FD	1	6	Gulfport FD
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Spring Hill F&R	2	10	Dieberville FD
Southeast FD	1	3	Biloxi FD
Alcorn County F&R	1	4	Biloxi FD
Valley FD	1	5	Biloxi FD
Reeltown FD	1	6	Biloxi FD
Vicksburg FD (ambulance)	2	4	Bay St. Louis FD
Choctaw County EMA	1	2	Harrison Co. EOC
Desoto County EMA	1	2	Biloxi FD
Georgia EMA (EMAC)	3	50	Gulfport FD
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Delaware ANG	1	6	Hattiesburg FD
(P4 crash rescue)	40	0.4	Hamisan Or FOO
Pennsylvania EMA (EMAC)	12	24	Harrison Co. EOC
Fellowfield PA FD (EMAC)	1 1	5	Waveland FD
Cincinnati OH FD (EMAC)	0	50	Hattiesburg FD
TOTALS	66	325	9/7/05 0900hrs

Hazardous Materials – Coastal industries are working to comeback on line.
 DuPont has emergency response teams on-site in Harrison and Jackson County.
 MDEQ emergency response is on-site. EPA & MDEQ are jointly responding to Hazmat incidents. Solid waste contacts have arrived and are working with local government. MDEQ has available printed guidelines for burning vegetative and clean wood debris to local government agencies. MDEQ is coordinating with MEMA to address waste/drinking water issues in the affected counties.

- Food & Water Salvation Army continues to identify resources/ food supplies to
  ensure mobilization of feeding units. MDAC continues to work with VOADs and
  others to ensure that resources needed are identified and available for staging.
   MDE staff person is on site in the log cell to work school resource lunch issues.
   Water and Ice distribution continues in the affected counties. ARC is addressing
  feeding issues through FEMA, with MREs to 19 feeding sites.
- Energy MDA representatives remain in contact with utility companies. In addition, electric companies from neighboring and regional states were contacted and have been providing crews to assist in restoration efforts. Special requests for gasoline needs on exit routes received and processed. Fuelman stations stand ready to assist. The number of customers that remain without power are as follows: 24,273 Entergy 141,761 EPA, and 84,530 MS Power (still working on stations). Restoration to the Colonial and Plantation pipelines (9/1/05) as well as Collins Storage facilities (9/2/05), and Meridian Storage facilities (9/1/05) have been completed and are back online.
- Military MSNG personnel have 3,048 troops and currently 10,103 troops from 19 other states deployed to MS to support the mission statement. A total of 13,151 troops are deployed on the coast at this time. Military missions include security-law enforcement, debris clearance, water/ice/food distribution, medical evacuation, search and rescue, infrastructure, and firefighting.
- Public Information MEMA Public Information continues to field media and public calls for information (directions, general info, rumor control.) Interviews are conducted as requested from media. Calling as many National, Alabama, Florida & Tennessee media as possible. Communicating ice & water distribution locations and volunteer information. Deployed 2-person PIO team to Harrison County EOC. Established an email address for those who cannot locate missing loved ones and friends @ missingpersons@seoc.ms.gov. A second website www.gistools.org/mema.html will allow individuals to post missing persons information through an electronic application and interactive database.
- Law Enforcement MHP, MBN, ABC, MDOT-LAW, Sheriff's Assoc., and MDWF&P, Gaming Commission, US Marshals, Arkansas law enforcement agencies, law enforcement officers from South Carolina, and local law enforcement volunteers are being utilized to augment law enforcement agencies in the Coastal counties. All Troopers statewide began 12-hour shifts starting 8/29/05. After landfall secured ingress from any hazardous areas and control traffic flow. Twenty shower units for officers were distributed in Jackson, Harrison and Hancock counties.

As of 9/1/05, prisoners held in George, Jackson, Harrison, and Pascagoula facilities were transferred to the South Mississippi Correctional Facility in Green County. Also, prisoners in the Pike and Wilkinson Correctional facility were transferred to the Central Mississippi Correctional Facility in Pearl, MS.

Law enforcement agencies are conducting security operations in South Mississippi in conjunction with MHP at licensed nursing homes reporting problems of looting and strong-armed robbery. Additionally, as of 9/6/05, troopers began assisting fuel transport security. MDHS requested 154 officers in Harrison, Jackson, Forrest,

Pearl River, Hancock, Lamar, Pike, Marion, George, Walthall, Stone, Greene, Amite, Perry & Wilkinson Counties.

• Animals – About 300 animal/pets are being sheltered at the fairgrounds in Jackson. Two Regional VMAT teams are assisting with assessment &Veterinary services in south MS. They are stationed out of Camp Shelby and Keesler Air Force Base. On 9/2/05, heavy equipment requests have been made to USDA for use in livestock/poultry disposal. On 9/3/05, Agricultural and veterinary assessments were performed in 22 counties. Reports of ongoing poultry and livestock deaths with inability to properly dispose of the animals due to a lack of equipment and fuel to perform onsite burial. Requested additional staffing needs through USDA to assist MBAH. Addressing poultry problems in the south MS areas affected by Katrina. On 9/6/05 an incident command post was set up at the Hattiesburg Agricultural Center to coordinate setting up animal control shelters at the request of Pascagoula and Gulfport. Animals will be processed and then possibly sent to Hattiesburg.

## 3. Operations.

## a. Significant Operational Events:

## (1). Last 24 Hours:

- The DCE maintains 37 members capable to complete all DCE operations
- Locations in Jackson and Hattiesburg are being considered as possible jump sites to move the DCO/DCE forward. Movement is expected NET 091200Sep05
- 400,000 bottles was delivered by air to Stennis, Gulfport, Merridian NAS, and Keesler AFB

#### (2). Next 24 Hours:

- MSARNG volunteered to deliver the FORSCOM purchased AM/FM radios with batteries. Coordination has been made with MSARNG and FEMA VOAD to identify the areas for distribution
  - Continue to receive and distribute water to establish distribution sites
- Tracking the 240<sup>th</sup> QM (53 pax). After overcoming maintenance issues with a fuel tanker, the unit is closing in at Camp Shelby 072000(S) Sep 05

#### (3). Next 48 Hours:

- Continue to receive and distribute commodities to establish distribution sites
- Second DRC to open in Pascagoula.
- **b.** Troop list. 240<sup>th</sup> QM (53 pax) en-route to Camp Shelby in support of MA# 1604DR-MS-DOD-11-01.

# c. FCO & SCO priorities:

(1). Ensure the safety and security of all response personnel

- Provide fuel, water, food, and ice for emergency responders, critical facilities. and shelters
- (3). Facilitate fuel availability for the public sector and ensure adequate fuel for emergency responders and critical facilities
  - (4). Relocate special needs populations from overcrowded shelters
  - (5). Restore emergency communications in all affected areas
  - (6). Support public safety and security in all affected areas
  - (7). Continue air and land-based search and rescue
- (8). Provide medical, mental health, veterinary, and mortuary support to local governments
  - (9). Conduct generator installations and support to critical facilities
  - (10). Implement an effective External Affairs program
  - (11). Conduct transition planning to establish Joint Field Office
  - (12). Initiate contingency planning for potential storm events.

## d. Major capability. N/A

- e. Operational Staging Areas. FEMA has established Operational Staging Areas (OSA) at Meridian NAS (activated 28 AUG 05), Camp Shelby (activated 30 AUG 05), Stennis NASA (activated 31 AUG 05), and Katrina, Keesler AFB (activated 04 SEP 05).
  - f. Any Outstanding Operation Issues. None
- 4. Intelligence-Reconnaissance.
  - State EMA continues to move supplies and services forward to outlying areas.
- b. There are no current weather predictions that may affect disaster relief operations at this time.

# 5. Logistics.

# a. Commodity Tracking:

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	REQ	RCD	DIST	O/H	SHORT	REQ	RCD	DIST	O/F
Water		24	20	9			15	0	1
Ice		97	97	15			11	0	6
MRE			6	3			37	0	3:
Tarps									
Sheeting									
Cots/Blankets									
50 pack									
Shelter Kits									
Aid Pack			The Street						
Total Truckloads			123	27		0	63	0	12

REQ	RCD	DIST	O/H	SHORT
	15	0	16	
	11	0	66	
	37	0	39	
0	63	0	121	

REQ	RCD	DIST	O/H	SHORT
	83	22	75	
	43	25	63	
-		25	24	
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C	126	72	162	0

- b. DOD controlled shelter status. None.
- c. Number and Sites of MKT's. None.
- d. Meals (by type) fed during operations. None by DOD.
- e. Critical Equipment. N/A.
- 6. Communications Connectivity. No problem areas.

#### 7. Personnel.

Total personnel to include civilians deployed to site.

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	Civilians	Total
24	2	10	1	37

- b. Any factors affecting readiness of forces and status. None.
- c. Personnel assigned and strength changes in last 24 hours in the disaster area by component.

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	Civilians	Total
0	0	0	0	0

- d. List of deployed units. None.
- e. Any outstanding personnel issue. None

#### 8. Medical.

- a. Hospitalization in last 24 hours. None.
- b. Evacuation in last 24 hours. None.
- c. Outpatient Treatment in last 24 hours. None.
- d. Report in narrative form significant activities in preventative medicine, mental health, veterinary services, dental services, medical logistics and medical command and control. None
- Budget. No Issues.
- 10. Legal. No Issues.
- 11. Significant Political Military Diplomatic Events. NSTR

12. Commander's Evaluation. We had our first real unified strategy meeting, with all key players. The FCO, SCO, Governor's Rep, TAG, Public Safety and all ESF state and federal principals were present. A TF was established to set 1, 3, 6 and 24 month goals/objectives. No change to mission priorities. The MSNG continues deliberate ground search and rescue, commodity distribution and security. The state is working hard to get full visibility of all citizens residing in shelters. They have control of all government sponsored shelters, but are trying to get their arms around NGO efforts. NDMS and CDC continue the medical/health assessment. Another bogus report of disease in a shelter was squelched today. There are no confirmed cases of cholera. In the recovery effort, over \$3.8M has already been distributed to citizens. 56K registrations have been made to date and 172 FEMA inspectors are in the field. Gas lines are approaching normal throughout the area. 12 Critical incident stress counselors are working with first responders. Mobile DRCs have been dispatched and there is a plan to cover the areas that will not receive the large fixed sites. 4 fixed sites will be open by Friday. Power was restored to 280K yesterday, and only 300K citizens remain without power. USPS dispatched mobile teams to deliver mail to devastated areas.



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#### BRIDGE INFORMATION

St. Louis-Gulfport and Biloxi-Ocean Springs bridges on US-90 destroyed Henderson Point and Bay bridges closed

I-10 Bridge (Pascagoula) - crossover provided for two-way traffic capability while eastbound span repaired (2-3 weeks)

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MDOT has entered into agreements with three contractors on 9/8/05 to clear, repair and reconstruct two lanes of US90. All 3 contractors: Mallette Brothers Construction, Warren Paving and Huey Stockstill Inc., will be working 7 days a week

beginning today. The lanes will be made available as repair progresses with the actual opening to be determined by appropriate emergency officials.

• Communications – Agreements were negotiated with cellular companies to provide "communications on wheels" (COWs). NEXTEL has deployed two and Bellsouth has deployed one to the coast. HAM, HF, VHF Radio Service is back to normal operation. As of 9/7/05, Cellular South has 85% coverage on the coast and 95% coverage in south MS. The company network will be fully operational by Monday, 9/12.

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# **Burning Bans by County:**

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Clarke Co.	Date - 9/06-20/05
Stone Co.	Date - 9/05-10/05/05
Lincoln Co.	Date - 9/08-10/08/05
Wayne Co.	Date - 9/07-10/07/05
George Co.	Date - 9/06-10/06/05
Jasper Co.	Date - 9/07-10/07/05
Jones Co.	Date - 9/1/-10/01/05
Covington Co.	Date - 9/08-10/08/05
Forrest Co.	Date - 9/08-10/08/05
Harrison	TBD
Hancock	TBD
Jackson	TBD
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Lauderdale	Date - 9/06-20/05
Lamar	Date - 9/01-10/01/05
Greene	Date - 9/01-10/01/05
Simpson	Date - 9/09-10/09/05

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## 3. Operations.

## a. Significant Operational Events:

#### (1). Last 24 Hours:

- The DCE increased to 42 and capable to complete all DCE operations
- A location in Jackson has been contracted for use by FEMA and once comunication and set-up is complete, the DCO/DCE will jump. Movement is expected 121200Sep05
- 240<sup>th</sup> QM at Camp Shelby, set fuel bags in order to accept 40,000 gallons of diesel and MOGAS
- MSARNG delivered five (5) pumps to Diamond Head Waste Water Plant to restore operations
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## (2). Next 24 Hours:

- Continue to receive and distribute commodities to establish distribution sites
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## (3). Next 48 Hours:

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- (1). Ensure the safety and security of all response personnel
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- (6). Conduct air and land-based search and rescue
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  - (8). Expand Community relations activities in shelters and affected areas
  - (9). Fully implement Recovery programs
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## d. Major capability. N/A

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  - f. Any Outstanding Operation Issues. None
- 4. Intelligence-Reconnaissance.
  - a. State EMA continues to move supplies and services forward to outlying areas.
- b. There are no current weather predictions that may affect disaster relief operations at this time.

## 5. Logistics.

# a. Commodity Tracking:

		DIAN N ted 090			
	REQ	RCD	DIST	O/H	SHORT
Water		66	91	32	
Ice		40	93	23	
MRE		6	8	5	Baraco Altrino
Tarps					CONTRACTOR OF THE PARTY OF THE
Sheeting					
Cots/Blankets					
50 pack	. Decreases				
Shelter Kits					
Aid Pack					
Total Truckloads		112	192	60	

REQ	RCD	DIST	0/H	SHORT
	13	0	59	
	30	35	54	
	0	0	0	
	43	35	113	

63 50 5	28 5 2		
		164 7	
5	2	7	
	4.5		
110	25	200	
	118	118 35	118 35 289

- b. DOD controlled shelter status. None.
- c. Number and Sites of MKT's. None.
- d. Meals (by type) fed during operations. None by DOD.
- e. Critical Equipment. N/A.

6. Communications Connectivity. No problem areas.

#### 7. Personnel.

a. Total personnel to include civilians deployed to site.

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	Civilians	Total
25	6	10	1	42

- b. Any factors affecting readiness of forces and status. None.
- c. Personnel assigned and strength changes in last 24 hours in the disaster area by component.

Officer	Warrant Officer	Enlisted	Civilians	Total
1	4	0	0	5

- d. List of deployed units. None.
- e. Any outstanding personnel issue. None

#### 8. Medical.

- a. Hospitalization in last 24 hours. None.
- b. Evacuation in last 24 hours. None.
- c. Outpatient Treatment in last 24 hours. None.
- d. Report in narrative form significant activities in preventative medicine, mental health, veterinary services, dental services, medical logistics and medical command and control. None
- 9. Budget. No Issues.
- 10. Legal. No Issues.
- 11. Significant Political Military Diplomatic Events. NSTR
- 12. Commander's Evaluation. Today was the last day for Urban Search and Rescue, and we made more strides towards recovery. The first major business on the coast reopened, employing over 500 people. Electric power is expected to be reinstated for everyone that can take it by COB Sunday. It is estimated that 30,000 customers will not be able to accept power due to home damage. Expect the first 25 displaced families to move into travel trailers tonight. The housing TF expanded their charter and will now locate and emplace temporary schools in the southern counties as well. 280 FEMA

external affairs people are engaged in community relations and are providing eligibility information throughout the region. The state contracted to spray pesticide for mosquitoes in selected areas tomorrow. Need for DoD massive spray is no longer anticipated. 3 fixed DRCs are operational and that will increase to 5 tomorrow. 3 mobile DRCs are operational. There are less than 100 patients in the 1,200 patient field hospital in Meridian. That facility will be reduced to half its capacity this weekend. The USS Comfort arrived at 1505 CST. The cruise ship Capt. completed his assessment of the Pascagoula port, but no report on his findings.



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1. General Situation. DCE MS continues to monitor DOD units involved in disaster relief operations.

**2. Overall Situation.** DCE Knox, currently located in Jackson, MS, supports federal response and recovery efforts in the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina. Priorities are Search and Rescue (SAR), COMMS, water-food-ice, healthcare, fuel, and security.

MSARNG reports **185** confirmed fatalities, 66 reported injuries, 257 homes and 140 mobile homes destroyed, 2,574 homes and 236 mobile homes major damage, 8,279 homes and 3,771 mobile homes minor damage.

• Transportation – All shipping has been shut down along the Mississippi coastal areas. CSX has suspended rail service until further notice. All barge traffic along the Mississippi River has resumed normal operations.

## **ROAD INFORMATION**

All state maintained roads are OPEN with the exception of US90.

#### AIRPORT INFORMATION

All airports are open with the exception of:

New Orleans International – accepting emergency relief/military, no power.

Gulfport/Biloxi Regional – accepting emergency relief traffic only

Cross-overs have been constructed to route eastbound and westbound traffic on the I-10 over the Pascagoula River onto the westbound bridge. This is in response to repairs being made to the westbound bridge. Traffic backup has been reported over several miles in both directions. To relieve congestion MDOT will begin to divert traffic off I-10, with access restricted to emergency and commercial only. A construction contract was awarded on 9/7/05 to repair the I-10 bridge over the Pascagoula River. T.L. Wallace Construction will begin construction immediately with a 31-day contract time. MDOT hopes to have the bridge replaced in 2 to 3 weeks.

 Communications – Agreements were negotiated with cellular companies to provide "communications on wheels" (COWs). NEXTEL has deployed two and Bellsouth has deployed one to the coast. Ham, HF, VHF Radio Service is back to normal operation.

Bellsouth reported 70,000 customers without phone service, down from the initial number of 600,000. Approximately 1,422 employees are involved in service restoration and the number of employees will increase by 50 percent. Company representatives predict it could take four to six months before service is restored in severely impacted areas.

- **Public Works** (**No Change**) MS Forestry Commission personnel were released by FEMA (9/4/05) from debris assessment.
- Fire Services MFC is working to reinstate agency communications system in South Mississippi. Forestry Commission officials are advising the public to not burn debris from cleanup efforts because it may lead to wildfires. MS Forestry Commission has identified four persons to move forward with the EOC when it moves. MFC will provide up to 20 bulldozers and crew to be available to the Rural Electrical Power Associations to assist in debris clearing on right-of-ways in order to restore service.
- Mass Care Currently 92 ARC and 23 non-ARC shelters open. The current total population registered is 14,254 as of 1300 hrs 9/08/05. Special Needs Shelters are:
  - First Baptist Church of Jackson
  - MS Juvenile Rehab, Lincoln County
  - Biloxi High School
  - Pearl River Community College in Hattiesburg
  - St. John's Episcopal Church, Jones County
  - Christian Victor Lutheran Church, Ocean Springs
  - Salvation Army, Laurel

MDH set up a shelter in Randolph, MS (Camp Yocona, Pontotoc County), for children with autism and developmental disabilities ant their families. The agency continues to provide counseling for evacuees who need counseling.

Salvation Army has mobilized across the State of Mississippi, with 47 mobile units and 3 base camp kitchens, having fed 86,502 individuals on 9/7/05, and a total of 324,120. The Salvation Army, working in collaboration with the Southern Baptist Association has an additional 8 feeding locations. Baptist Brotherhood mobile kitchens are working with the ARC in Pascagoula, Biloxi, Laurel, Hattiesburg, Lucedale, Long Beach, and Meridian: more mobile kitchens are scheduled to be placed in other locations. ARC/MSVOAD has deployed 10 portable kitchens to affected areas and have fed 134,269 meals as of 09/04/05. Salvation Army has also provided crisis counseling to 2,927 individuals so far.

A toll-free number has been provided for recipients who have questions regarding checks sent out on the first of September. Recipients can also visit a local Social Security Office for any problems. Medicaid recipients from Louisiana, Alabama, and Florida who evacuated to Mississippi can access benefits through local MS providers. The MS provider would become accredited through an online search and application process.

- Resources County need for fuel will be handled by FAX to MEMA and forwarded to FEMA for supplying. Federal Logistics teams and State Log cell members are continuing to work to identify resources. Seven logistic staging areas identified in: Panola, Lee, Humphreys, Winston, Copiah, Jasper, & Stone Counties. State is continuing to supply ice and water to counties as requested. MFC established an agency command center at Pearl Training Center on 8/31/05. Timber damage and debris assessment flights were completed on 09/01/05. Dispatchers were informed of many solid waste fires. MFC is working with MDA/Energy on assisting all Rural Power Associations clear power line right-of-ways. They continue to work on a timber salvage plan.
- Health and Medical All County Clinics are open except those in the affected counties. Over 130 Public Health Environmentalists and almost 400 public health nurses have been deployed. Over 100 out-of-state ambulances have been staged around the state and are being deployed as needed. Special Needs Shelters still have issues with fuel for generators and water.

The Strategic National Stockpile push packages in the state were sent forward and distributed. MS is the first state to actually utilize the SNS push-packages in a disaster. Numerous health supplies have been sent to affected areas. MDH EMS Mobile Command Center is on location in Gulfport, MS and is credentialing ambulances responding in support of coastal operations. This unit will be on location to support any mass fatalities.

There are currently 62+ nurses, approximately 380 family caregivers, and 1500 patients in the Special Needs Shelters. As of 2330, 9/2/05, 85 MS Physicians and 224 Out-of-state physicians are being utilized by MDH. All hospitals are open and operational, FL-4 DMAT in place, and Singing River & Forrest General.

• **Search & Rescue** – Currently a total of 66 teams made up of local resources (SMAC) have been identified for use during the response phase. Will focus on clearing debris from roads north of US Hwy 90.

# SAR Teams have been deployed to the following:

Entity	Units	Total #	<b>Duty Station</b>
Senatobia FD	2	8	Gulfport Fire
Bolivar County Fire	4	13	Hancock EMA
Chickasaw Co/Fire	1	4	Hancock EMA
Desoto Co. Fire/EMA	1	5	Gulfport Fire
Tunica County/Fire	1	4	Pearl River EMA

City of luka/Fire	1	4	Hancock EMA
Warren County/Fire	1	4	Pearl River EMA
Batesville FD	1	7	Gulfport Fire
Tate County	1	4	Gulfport Fire
Sunflower Co. Fire/EMA	1	4	Hancock EMA
South West Ohio K-9	1	4 with 3 dogs	Gulfport FD
Oxford Heavy Equip.	3	13	Gulfport FD
City of Madison	4	18	Gulfport FD
Glen FD	2	2	Gulfport FD
GA Rescue Group	2	6	Gulfport FD
Camilla, GA FD	1	4	Gulfport FD
Batesville FD	1	3	Gulfport FD
Grenada FD	1	6	Gulfport FD
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Webster Co. FD	2	9	Dieberville FD
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(P4 crash rescue)			
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#### (2). Next 24 Hours:

- MSARNG volunteered to deliver the FORSCOM purchased AM/FM radios with batteries. 400 radios and batteries were transported to MSARNG USPFO for the ARC to distribute to needed areas
  - Continue to receive and distribute commodities to establish distribution sites
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#### (3). Next 48 Hours:

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				O/H	SHORT	REQ	RCD	DIST	O/F
Water		62	26	39			38	0	49
Ice		52	34	92			18	50	59
MRE		13	11	4			2	0	23
Tarps									
Sheeting									
Cots/Blankets									
50 pack									C. III
Shelter Kits	La compression								
Aid Pack									
Total Truckloads		127	71	135			58	50	13

REQ	RCD	DIST	O/H	SHORT
	38	0	49	
	18	50	59	
	2	0	23	
	58	50	131	

REQ	RCD	DIST	O/H	SHOR
	47	2	107	
	25	1	77	
	3	4	23	
	75	7	207	

b. DOD controlled shelter status. None.

- c. Number and Sites of MKT's. None.
- d. Meals (by type) fed during operations. None by DOD.
- e. Critical Equipment. N/A.
- 6. Communications Connectivity. No problem areas.

#### 7. Personnel.

a. Total personnel to include civilians deployed to site.

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0	0	0	0	0

- d. List of deployed units. None.
- e. Any outstanding personnel issue. None

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12. Commander's Evaluation. (B6), the SCO and FCO had a good visit with the Vice President today. Representatives from the six most devastated counties talked in a forum and were very positive about the support they received from the state and federal sources. Among their concerns were debris remove and temporary housing. Debris removal is well under way with about 20,000 Cubic Yards being removed daily. The first travel trailer housing site is going being established in Purvis near Hattiesburg. 300 units are going in, but they won't be able to occupy until Monday as they try to get the plumbing and sewer completely installed before they inhabit. Two cruise ships are earmarked for MS, and berthing for one is scheduled for Pascagoula, pending a port assessment. One mayor asked for tetanus immunizations and an aid station. The MSNG will link up at his city hall at 0800 tomorrow. Nearly 32,000 doses of tetanus vaccine has been distributed to the declared county medical facilities to date. Mobile immunization teams are circulating throughout the declared counties, and one team inoculated over 1,200 people today alone. Roofing is in full swing. 4 fixed DRCs are open and 3 mobile DRCs are functioning. 38 trucks arrived with USDA food for hot meal preparation in shelters.