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President Ortiz,

We would like to thank you for the work and continued efforts you have shown toward moving to strengthen Maine Fire Training and Education. We are very appreciative that you have listened to the concerns we have brought forward, and that some of these issues have been or will be discussed further with other constituencies within Maine's fire services community.

MEFIRE remains committed to working with MFTE/SMCC in a professional and collaborative manner. We will assist with work towards goals and objectives, which when implemented will broaden our training and educational opportunities. And additionally, when appropriate, will provide more advance support to Maine fire departments.

As educators, many of whom are employed by SMCC, we also look forward to providing continued education and leadership to Maine's Fire and Rescue services.

Appreciatively, and on behalf of MEFIRE,

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