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Dear xxxxxxxxxx:

How quickly businesses can get back to operations after an incident can depend on emergency planning done before the event. If businesses are ready for the impact of a disaster or an event and can recover quickly, the state, the nation, and our economy are more secure. Though each situation is unique, any organization can be better prepared if it plans carefully, puts emergency procedures in place, works with their local and state emergency management partners, and practices for all kinds of emergencies.

Local, state and federal Public-Private Partnerships are vital to filling gaps in Emergency Management that neither government nor the private sector can manage alone. These partnerships create a vehicle for cooperation that includes resources, volunteers, information sharing and expertise.

Mary Marsh has been designated a single point of contact in the Bureau of Homeland Security to coordinate with our private sector partners. Mary will work with the private sector to guide them in their business emergency planning, as well as provide information on available resources to share alert information and manage resources.

The Idaho Bureau of Homeland Security is committed to working with the public and private sectors to develop a "Whole Community" approach to emergency planning, preparation and recovery. By combining the knowledge, experience, and successful practices of each of these groups, we can better prepare for tomorrow's emergencies today.

If you would like additional information on this important endeavor please contact Mary Marsh, Public-Private Partnerships Section Chief, at mmarsh@bhs.idaho.gov or (208) 422-5723.

Sincerely,

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