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Spring Lake Park-Blaine-Mounds View Fire Department to Bolster Fire Prevention Efforts with FM Global Grant

Spring Lake Park, Minnesota. – The **Spring Lake Park-Blaine-Mounds View Fire Department** received a **\$1,431** fire prevention grant recently from FM Global, a leading property insurer of the world's largest businesses based in Johnston, R.I.

FM Global representatives presented the award to Assistant Fire Chief Harlan Lundstrom on September 8, 2008. The award will be used to assist with prevention efforts, fire pre-planning and fire investigations to help fire investigators more efficiently investigate and determine the cause of a fire.

Because fire continues to be the leading cause of commercial and industrial property damage worldwide, FM Global has contributed millions of dollars to fire services and related agencies around the globe working to prevent fire for more than three decades. Locally, the company has awarded grants to a number of Minnesota-based organizations.

“At FM Global, we believe the majority of property damage is preventable—not inevitable—and we are pleased to make funding available to organizations, like the **Spring Lake Park-Blaine-Mounds View Fire Department**, that share the same philosophy,” said Michael Spaziani, manager of FM Global's Fire Prevention Grant Program. “After all, it's much better to prevent a disaster than to recover from one.”

FM Global's highly competitive Fire Prevention Grant Program (www.fmglobal.com/grants) awards grants quarterly to fire departments—as well as national, state, regional, local and community organizations worldwide—that best demonstrate a need for funding, where dollars can have the greatest impact on preventing, preparing for and controlling fire in the community.