

LOS ANGELES FIRE DEPARTMENT



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January 18, 2018

BOARD OF FIRE COMMISSIONERS
FILE NO. 18-011

TO: Board of Fire Commissioners

FROM:  Ralph M. Terrazas, Fire Chief

SUBJECT: 2017 CERTIFIED UNIFIED PROGRAM AGENCY EVALUATION – FINAL
CLOSING LETTER

FINAL ACTION:	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved	<input type="checkbox"/> Approved w/Corrections	<input type="checkbox"/> Withdrawn
	<input type="checkbox"/> Denied	<input type="checkbox"/> Received & Filed	<input type="checkbox"/> Other

SUMMARY

The California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA) along with the California Emergency Management Agency, Office of the State Fire Marshal, Department of Toxic Substances Control, and the State Water Resources Control Board, conducted a program evaluation from November, 2016 to January, 2017 of the Los Angeles Fire Department's (LAFD) Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA).

This evaluation is mandated by the Health and Safety Code, Chapter 6.121, to be conducted at least once every three years, in order to verify the Certified Program Agency's implementation of the Unified Program (UP).

All deficiencies have been corrected.

RECOMMENDATION

That the Board:
Receive and file this report.

Board report prepared by Kristin Crowley, Fire Marshal, Fire Prevention and Public Safety Bureau.

Attachment



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December 22, 2017

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Dear Ms. Crowley:

During November, 2016, through January, 2017, the California Environmental Protection Agency (CalEPA), the Department of Toxic Substances Control, the California Office of Emergency Services, the CAL FIRE- Office of the State Fire Marshal, and the State Water Resources Control Board conducted a Unified Program performance evaluation of the City of Los Angeles Fire Department Certified Unified Program Agency (CUPA). The CUPA performance evaluation comprised of a review of regulated facility file documentation, California Electronic Reporting System data, and verification inspections.

Upon closing of the performance evaluation, a final Summary of Findings was issued to the CUPA, identifying program deficiencies and providing corrective actions with timeframes for correction. Program observations, recommendations and examples of outstanding implementation were also noted.

CalEPA has received and reviewed the required Deficiency Progress Reports submitted by the CUPA to demonstrate correction of the program deficiencies identified in the final Summary of Findings. All deficiencies are now considered to be corrected and the implementation and performance of the Unified Program by the CUPA has improved from "satisfactory with improvements needed" to "meets" Unified Program standards.

Thank you for your continued commitment to the protection of public health and the environment through the implementation of the Unified Program.

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If you have any questions or need further assistance, please contact the CalEPA performance evaluation team lead, Kareem Taylor, at (916) 327-9557 or John Paine, Unified Program Manager, at (916) 327-5092.

Sincerely,

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