STATE OF VERMONT

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 07-12

[Designation Of The National Incident Management System (NIMS) As The Basis For All Incident Management In The State]

WHEREAS, Homeland Security Directive (HSPD)-5 directed the Secretary of the Department of Homeland Security to develop and administer a National Incident Management System (NIMS) to provide a consistent nationwide approach for Federal, State, local, and tribal governments to work together to prevent, prepare for, respond to and recover from domestic incidents, regardless of cause, size or complexity; and

WHEREAS, Presidential Policy Directive (PPD)-8 describes the approach to national preparedness, including the National Preparedness System, as the instrument the nation will employ to build, sustain, and deliver core capabilities; and

WHEREAS, the NIMS standardized procedures for managing personnel, communications, facilities and resources improve the State's ability to utilize federal funding to enhance local and state agency readiness, maintain first responder safety, and streamline incident management processes; and

WHEREAS, the Incident Command System components of NIMS are integral to various incident management activities, including emergency management training programs.

NOW THEREFORE, I, Peter Shumlin, by virtue of the power vested in me as Governor, do hereby re-establish the National Incident Management System (NIMS) as the State standard for incident management.

This Order supersedes and replaces Executive Order # 03-05 (codified as No. 20-31).

Dated April 12, 2012

Peter Shumlin
Governor