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To: RivahFest Food Vendors

From: Corey Beazley

RE: Fire & General Safety for Food Vendors

Due to recent injuries and deaths at special events in Virginia, RivahFest is taking steps to maintain our event as a family oriented and safe outing for our customers and vendors. Please read the list of requirements that you must follow in addition to the other rules established by your food vendor contract with RivahFest. Please see the list provided for requirements and items that will be checked prior to opening your food booth.

Each cooking vendor must also have within the confines of the vendor area an ABC extinguisher regardless of the type of cooking being done.

Those utilizing any cooking fluids must also have the Class K extinguisher in addition to an ABC.

The walk space and work areas for cooks, food preps, servers, and or public customers shall be clear of all trip hazards to include but not limited to hoses, wires, boxes, crates, electrical cords, etc. The final determination will be that of the inspector.

All flammable fuel or pressurized cylinder connections will be inspected to ensure there are no leaks. The utilization of a soapy solution with the tank turned on and no air bubbles will be the determining criteria for this requirement.

All flammable and or pressurized cooking cylinders must be secured to prevent tip over.

Cooking areas must be separated from the serving area. This includes the public access as well as the food servers to the cooking device.

Please review this list and make sure you meet or exceed the requirements prior to arrival to RivahFest to set up as a vendor. Please be advised that there is not a local

establishment to purchase a Class K extinguisher for your tent. Please see the State Fire Prevention Code attached as they apply to this event.

SFPC 2403.8.2 Cooking tents must be separated from serving tents and no public access to cooking tent.

SFPC 2404.17.1 Flammable-liquid-fueled equipment may not be used in tents, canopies or membrane structures unless secured and approved by the fire inspector.

SFPC 2404.19 Generators shall be separated by a minimum of 20 feet from structure.

SFPC 2404.7 Open flames shall be prohibited within the structure unless approved by the fire marshal.

SFPC 3003.3.3 All compressed gas cylinders shall be secured.

SFPC 904.11.5 Portable fire extinguishers shall be provided within a 30-foot travel distance of commercial-type cooking equipment. Cooking equipment involving vegetable or animal oils and fats shall be protected by a Class K rated portable extinguisher.

If you have any questions or concerns with any of these requirements, please feel free to contact me for clarifications. You may reach me at cbeazley@tapp-essexvfd.org or call at (804) 450-2164. I hope everyone will have a profitable and safe event for RivahFest 2010.

Corey Beazley Safety Division