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Town of Plainville to Bolster Fire Prevention Efforts with FM Global Grant

PLAINVILLE, Conn.—The **Town of Plainville** has received a **US \$2,000** fire prevention grant from FM Global, one of the world's largest commercial property insurers.

FM Global representatives will present the award on April 6, 2015 to Fire Marshal Larry A. Sutherland at the Municipal Center located One Central Square in the Town of Plainville, CT. The award will be used to assist with fire investigation and prefire planning to efficiently collect and track data related to local community buildings. The information will help the fire service respond in an emergency situation.

Because fire continues to be the leading cause of property damage worldwide, during the past 35 years FM Global has contributed millions of dollars in fire prevention grants to fire service organizations around the globe. Locally, the company has awarded grants to a number of **Connecticut**-based organizations.

"At FM Global, we strongly believe the majority of property damage is preventable, not inevitable," said Michael Spaziani, manager of the fire prevention grant program. "Far too often, inadequate budgets prevent those organizations working to prevent fire from being as proactive as they would like to be. With additional financial support, grant recipients are actively helping to improve property risk in the communities they serve."

Through its Fire Prevention Grant Program, FM Global 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 most demonstrable impact on preventing fire, or mitigating the damage it can quickly cause.

To learn more about FM Global's Fire Prevention Grant Program, or to apply for a grant, please visit www.fmglobal.com/grants.

For nearly two centuries, many of the world's largest organizations have turned to FM Global to develop cost-effective property insurance and engineering solutions to protect their business operations from fire, natural disasters and other types of property risk. With clients in more than 130 countries, FM Global ranks #557 among *FORTUNE* magazine's largest companies in America and is rated A+ (Superior) by A.M. Best and AA (Very Strong) by Fitch Ratings. The company was named "World's Best Supply Chain Risk Insurance Provider" in 2014 by *Global Finance* magazine and was voted "Best Commercial Property Insurer" in *Business Insurance's* 2013 Buyers Choice Awards.