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The Center for Campus Fire Safety® to Bolster Fire Prevention Efforts with FM Global Grant

March 27, 2015 ... Newburyport, Massachusetts –The Center for Campus Fire Safety (The Center) has received a \$7,500 fire prevention grant from FM Global, one of the world’s largest commercial property insurers.

FM Global representatives will be presenting the award to The Center in April. The award will be used to support *Campus Fire Forum*, The Center’s annual education conference that focuses exclusively on campus fire and life safety issues. This year Campus Fire Forum is being held in Niagara Falls, New York in October.

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 Massachusetts-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.”

“The Center is very appreciative of FM Global’s generosity and support of our educational mission.” said Paul D. Martin, The Center’s president. “FM Global’s grant will help The Center to assure that this year’s annual conference is a success and that our attendees have access to high caliber speakers and contemporary material.”

Something special at this year’s Forum will be the addition of a “How To” workshop discussing ways for fire safety educators to organize and fund a live burn of a mock dorm room. This session will culminate with an actual live burn, demonstrating firsthand, the immense power and rapid growth of fire and the importance of smoke alarms and sprinkler systems.

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.

About FM Global

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.

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

About The Center for Campus Fire Safety

The Center for Campus Fire Safety (The Center) is a non-profit 501C3 organization.

The Center is a member-based organization devoted to reducing the loss of life from fire on and off campuses. The mission of The Center is to serve as an advocate for the promotion of campus fire safety. The Center serves as the focal point for the efforts of a number of organizations and also as a clearinghouse for information relating to campus fire safety. Visit us at www.campusfiresafety.org for more information.

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