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Eriks J. Gabliks, Director  
Training Division  
Department of Public Safety Standards and Training  
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Dear Mr. Gabliks:

Thank you for providing us with information on the background of the firefighter training provided by your agency as well as the recent changes to your training. It is our understanding that the replacement of the Oregon Basic Firefighter Course with the National Fire Protection (NFPA 1403) Standard for live fire training does not create a significant difference in the actual training received.

Since our Subdivision L Firefighter Standard makes reference to your previous standard, we will place a note in the standard indicating that your current Entry Level Firefighter training is comparable to Basic Firefighter. In the future when we next revise the standard we will make these changes to our standard.

It has been a pleasure to work with you on this.

Sincerely,

Marilyn K. Schuster, Manager  
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