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TO: The Honorable Chairman and Members of the Board of County Commissioners

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DATE: November 21, 2011

SUBJECT: Board of County Commissioners (EMS Authority) Work Session November 28, 2011
Emergency Medical Services

On October 25, 2011 the Board of County Commissioners, sitting as the EMS Authority, met in a workshop and received a presentation from Lt. Scott Sanford, Palm Harbor Fire Rescue, regarding a proposal for Fire based transport; a presentation from Mic Gunderson, President, Integral Performance Solutions (IPS) on the final report of the County EMS Study; Mr. Gunderson's analysis of the Sanford/Millican proposal; and a presentation from staff analyzing the Sanford/Millican Proposal and providing an update on outreach efforts regarding the EMS Study.

On October 31, 2011 the Board of County Commissioners, sitting as the EMS Authority, met in joint session with the City of St. Petersburg Mayor and City Council. The full day session was facilitated by Bob Jones with the Florida State University Consensus Center. The joint collaborative focused on the underlying facts and issues regarding the costs and service delivery model utilized by the City for Advanced Life Support (ALS) Paramedic First Responder Services.

Since that time, the EMS Authority has not had an opportunity to discuss the future direction of the Pinellas County EMS System in a workshop format. The goal of the November 28th workshop is to provide the EMS Authority members an opportunity to discuss the background materials provided, have questions answered, allow dialogue, and provide guidance on the next steps.

The following items will be discussed:

- a. Authority discussion of the Integral Performance Solutions (IPS) Study
- b. Authority discussion of the staff analysis and evaluation of the Sanford/Millican Proposal
- c. Authority discussion of Fire Transport
- d. Chairman update on the follow-up meeting with St. Petersburg
- e. Next Steps

Materials already provided:

Integral Performance Solutions (IPS) EMS Study – Final Report and Presentation
Sanford/Millican Proposal and Presentation
Staff Analysis of the Sanford/Millican Proposal
EMS Outreach Update Staff Presentation
EMS Authority / St. Petersburg Joint Collaborative Briefing Book

All materials are available online at: www.pinellascounty.org/emsstudy