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QUAKERTOWN FIRE COMPANY RECEIVES GRANT FOR CRITICAL LIFE-SAVING RESCUE EQUIPMENT

*ProAccess Insurance Wholesalers and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company Award Grant to Enhance
Community Safety*

Pittstown, NJ, November 7, 2006: ProAccess Insurance Wholesalers and Fireman's Fund Insurance Company awarded the Quakertown Fire Company Inc. a \$28,000 grant for, among other things, a multitude of rescue equipment that will furnish the company's new rescue truck, scheduled to arrive in January of 2007.

Rescue equipment purchased includes:

- Two thermal imaging cameras (TICs) that help firefighters "see" through smoke and darkness to quickly find victims trapped in a building or ejected from a car. TICs can also pinpoint the source of a fire.
- A petrogen blow torch used in industrial settings to cut through metal beams and other similar structures to safely rescue victims of building collapses
- A hydra ram which is a portable, forcible entry tool that opens reinforced steel doors
- Multiple saws that have the ability to cut through rooftops, doors and sheet rock

"As a graduate of North Hunterdon High School, it brings me great pleasure to know that ProAccess and Fireman's Fund, through this grant, are making this community a safer place to live and work," said Joe Beneducci, president and chief operating officer of Fireman's Fund. "Firefighters put themselves on the line everyday, so it's paramount that they have essential tools needed to do their jobs effectively and efficiently. Fireman's Fund and our independent insurance agents and brokers, like ProAccess, have and will continue to look for ways to support the fire service in New Jersey, as well as across the country."

"Our company is determined to get accident victims to the emergency room within the "golden hour," stated Chris Vallat, Fire Chief for the Quakertown Fire Company Inc. regarding the phrase used to describe the 60-minute window after an accident. "A victim's chance of survival is greatest if transported to professional medical help within this timeframe, and the equipment purchased with this grant will enhance our response time. I want to thank ProAccess and Fireman's Fund for this generous grant."

"Our society often takes the work of firefighters for granted," stated James Young, Managing Director of ProAccess Insurance Wholesalers. "Often the first to arrive on the scene of any emergency, they face dangers and challenges every day that most people can't even imagine. Taking that into account, we can't think of a better way to show our support and appreciation than through the direction of this grant."

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The grant was funded through the Fireman's Fund HeritageSM program. Under the program, local agencies and brokers are able to direct grants to support local fire departments and the communities they serve. Additional information about the program can be found at www.firemansfund.com/heritage.

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