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NEWS RELEASE

"BALTIMORE METRO REACT GEARS UP FOR NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH"

BALTIMORE METRO REACT (BALTIMORE, MD) – September is National Preparedness Month and Baltimore Metro REACT is getting ready for what is hoped to be the biggest public awareness campaign in the team's history. The team plans to "set up shop" in several public locations as well as events geared toward public safety and communications. Several topics Baltimore Metro REACT plans to present and discuss are proper use of ANY communications technology during an emergency, REACT integration into the U.S. Citizen Corps CERT (Community Emergency Response Teams) Program and education on ICE or In Case of Emergency Initiative; a new cell phone concept involving the placement of the word ICE in front of a persons cell phone contact list so that emergency personnel can more easily find and make contact with one's emergency contacts.

Several events and locations Baltimore Metro REACT plans to attend include:

- Baltimore County Fire Expo: September 24, 2005 – 10:00am to 3:00pm @ Padonia Park Swim Club – 12006 Jenifer Road, Cockysville
- Howard County Fire and Police Expo: October 2, 2005, 11:00am to 2:00pm @ Columbia Lakefront, Columbia

By providing the public with these helpful resources, Baltimore Metro REACT hopes to increase public awareness of the importance of emergency communications, promote membership in REACT, and overall, present REACT to the public to gain support for the organization's goals.

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[About BALTIMORE METRO REACT]

Officially chartered by REACT International Inc. of Suitland, Maryland, BALTIMORE METRO REACT supports our local community by providing emergency communications and assistance as requested by local authorities. Members purchase & maintain their own equipment to: (1) participate in training sessions; (2) improve radio proficiency to maintain readiness; (3) conduct field operations in support of community and special events; and (4) provide Public Service via Voluntary Two-Way Radio Communications. In most cases, the cost associated with travel and operations is absorbed by our member volunteers.

Radio Emergency Associated Communications Team

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