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MEDIA ADVISORY

Sen. Conrad Burns & Under Secretary Michael Brown to attend Hometown Security Forum in Great Falls, Montana

Under Secretary of Homeland Security for Emergency Preparedness Michael Brown will provide the keynote address at a Hometown Security Forum in Great Falls, Montana September 1st. The Forum, which is sponsored by the E9-1-1 Institute and the Department of Homeland Security, will also include Senator Conrad Burns (R-MT). Senator Burns will be receiving an award from the E9-1-1 Institute for his work in as a Co-Chair of the E9-1-1 Congressional Caucus and his work in passing the Enhance 9-1-1 Act of 2004.

The forum will include two panel discussions featuring public safety officials and industry professionals. The first panel is titled "*Community Preparedness in Rural Montana.*" The second panel "*Technology as an Enhancer to Public Safety*" will immediately follow. The Hometown Security Forum is part of the E9-1-1 Institute's efforts to educate communities on community preparedness and how technology enhances public safety.

The E9-1-1 Institute is a non-profit organization which exists to support the Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus and assist it in promoting public education on E9-1-1 and emergency communications issues. The Institute provides informational and administrative support to members of the Congressional Caucus as they pursue their mission of improving 9-1-1 emergency communications. For more information about the E9-1-1 Institute and the Congressional E9-1-1 Caucus, please visit our website at www.e911institute.org.

Logistics:

Date: Thursday, Sept. 1, 2005

Time: 9:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Where: Great Falls Civic Center (#2 Park Drive South, Great Falls, MT 59401)