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Summary

This circular provides information on capital grant funding being awarded to Fire and Rescue Authorities (FRAs).

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1.0 Background

- 1.1 In December 2008 it was announced that an additional £78m in total had been allocated to Fire and Rescue Authorities (FRAs) in England for the years 2009/10 and 2010/11. The grant is intended to assist FRAs in their estate improvements but authorities are free to decide how the funds are spent. The Minister wrote to each Chief Fire Officer personally on 15 December 2008 to advise the amount of funding allocated.

2.0 Funding Approach

- 2.1 Funding will be provided via a Section 31 grant payment made to each authority in 2009/10 and 2010/11. Amounts to be paid in 2009 are listed in the 'Fire and Rescue Authorities Capital Funding Grant Determination 2009/10' (No 31/1406), a copy of which is attached. Payment of 2009/10 funding will be made to authorities on 12 May 2009.

3.0 Further information

- 3.1 If you have any questions or you would like further information please contact Robert Flynn on 020 7944 4183 or e-mail Robert.flynn@communities.gsi.gov.uk.

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