

MEMORANDUM OF AGREEMENT (MOA)

BY AND BETWEEN

LOWER SAUCON TOWNSHIP, SE-WY-CO, SOUTHEASTERN, AND STEEL CITY FIRE COMPANIES

SUBJECT

Collaboration in support of a consolidated township wide fire department to provide Lower Saucon Township with fire and emergency services.

GENERAL

Fire protection services in Lower Saucon Township are currently provided by three separate fire companies (Se-Wy-Co, Southeastern, and Steel City). The Township and Fire Companies have expressed interest in forming a consolidated fire department within Lower Saucon Township, with a unified command structure, which preserves the autonomy of the existing Fire Companies.

PURPOSE

The purpose of this MOA is for the parties to formally agree to participate in the process of developing a plan for the structure and charter of the aforementioned consolidated Fire Department with the ultimate goal of determining the roles and responsibilities of the consolidated Fire Department, individual Fire Companies, and Lower Saucon Township and to then work in good faith to establish the consolidated Fire Department by January 1, 2016.

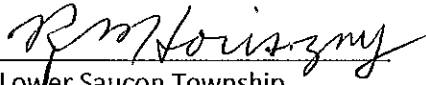
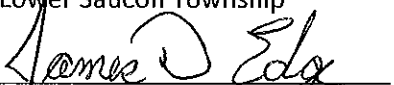

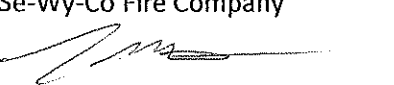
EFFECTIVE DATE

This MOA shall become effective as of the date of the signature of the last party to execute this document, each with the full approval and authority of their respective organizations, and shall remain in force unless modified by written notice to all other parties.

INTENT

It is not the intent of the parties hereto to create any contractual responsibilities to each other; and no other legal obligations of any kind shall be created until the parties hereto have entered into a subsequent, final, and formal agreement concerning the creation of a consolidated Fire Department. The parties hereto acknowledge that Lower Saucon Township retains the sole authority and discretion to create, or not create a Township Fire Department pursuant to the provisions of the Second Class Township Code and the Code of the Township of Lower Saucon.

APPROVED:

 Lower Saucon Township	<u>Council President</u> Title	<u>1/21/15</u> Date
 Southeastern Fire Company	<u>President</u> Title	<u>1/21/15</u> Date
 Se-Wy-Co Fire Company	<u>President</u> Title	<u>1/22/15</u> Date
 Steel City Fire Company	<u>President</u> Title	<u>1/21/15</u> Date