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MEETING LOG
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SUBJECT: National Carbon Monoxide Detection Project
Technical Advisory Committee

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MEETING SUMMARY

The National Fire Protection Research Foundation (NFPRF) is managing the National Carbon Monoxide Detection Project. The purpose of the project is to determine the proper location of carbon monoxide (CO) detectors in the home. This information will then be provided to assist in developing an "installation standard" for CO detectors. The project is being funded through donations from CO detector manufacturers and other interested parties. The purpose of this meeting was to discuss the status of funding, and determine the course of future activities.

Insufficient funds have been raised to continue with the original plan to award the Phase 2 work to NIST on a sole source contract. The group considered terminating the project due to insufficient funds. Representatives from the committee developing a recommended installation practice for CO detectors emphasized the importance of having empirical data on which to

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base the recommended practice. It was decided to publish a Request for Proposals and solicit other parties to perform the testing with the funding on hand.