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## NAFECO'S 13TH ANNUAL VENDOR EXPO: DELIVERING EXCELLENCE FOR FIRST RESPONDERS

Decatur, AL - January 12, 2024 - North America Fire Equipment Company (NAFECO) is thrilled to announce the 13th Annual Vendor EXPO, taking place at the Ingalls Harbor Pavilion on January 18th, 2024. This event will bring together over 40 manufacturer representatives specializing in equipment and apparel for first responders, including fire, law enforcement, EMS, and industrial safety.

Representatives from companies as far away as Minnesota, Ohio, and Colorado will converge in Decatur to showcase their latest products. The event aims to benefit not only local public safety personnel but also the community at large. Jerrell Oaks, President of NAFECO, expresses his excitement about the expo, stating, "We have added more manufacturers this year to bring more diversity in the products."

This marks the thirteenth consecutive year the Expo has been hosted at the Ingalls Harbor Pavilion. The 2023 event was a resounding success, coinciding with NAFECO's 55th-anniversary celebration. Mr. Oaks believes that the expo's impact extends beyond local public safety, bringing over 600 people to Decatur and contributing to increased revenue for the city.

In addition to the vendor representatives, public safety personnel from Morgan and surrounding counties, as well as departments within a 150-mile radius, are invited to attend. Mr. Oaks emphasizes the value of connecting personnel from Alabama, Georgia, Tennessee, Mississippi, and the panhandle of Florida with manufacturers in a face-to-face, hands-on format.

## **Event Details:**

Date: Thursday, January 18, 2024Time: 10:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Ingalls Harbor Pavilion, Decatur, AL

Admission: Free and open to the public

• Concessions: Provided by Moe's Original BBQ of Decatur

Attendees are encouraged to pre-register at www.nafeco.com/EXPO.

## About NAFECO:

North America Fire Equipment Co., Inc. (NAFECO) is a Decatur-based company owned by Jerrell Oaks and has been in business since 1968. NAFECO maintains corporate offices, warehouses, and retail stores in Decatur, along with its Fire Division, Public Safety Division, and Fire Apparatus Repair and Service Center. NAFECO also has offices located in Foley, AL, Orlando, FL, Clarkston, GA, and Ashland, VA.

For more information about the event or to schedule an interview, please contact Mr. Kevin Naumann, Marketing Director, at 256/353-7100, ext. 145, or via email at kevin.naumann@nafeco.com