



## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONS

### Public Safety Services



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To: All Fire Prevention Bureaus, Fire Departments and Districts

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Subject: FEMA Blue Tarps

The Louisiana Office of State Fire Marshal does not regulate the use of consumer fireworks for personal enjoyment. The Office of State Fire Marshal's authority is currently limited to retail firework sales (1.4G and 1.4S) and public display fireworks (1.3G, 1.4G and 1.4S). Therefore, the following information is being disseminated for informational purposes only. The attached Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS) was obtained from the United States Army Corps of Engineers concerning the blue tarps being used on the roof tops of damaged buildings in the hurricane affected areas. I am attaching the MSDS from the two known manufacturers of the FEMA blue tarps. Hopefully these will be useful to you and your agency should any situation arise.

If I may be of any further help, please feel free to contact me at 800.256.5452. Ask for the Mechanical Safety Section.

Sincerely

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