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Dear Sir

FIRE SERVICE STATUTORY EXAMINATIONS

The Leading Firefighters' and Sub-Officers' examinations this September and October and the Station Officers' in February 2005 will be the last opportunity for candidates to enter the examinations process. After those dates only candidates in the system and have passed at least one paper will have the opportunity to complete their written examinations – all other individuals will be expected to enter the IPDS process.

The written examinations relate to the basic requirements of the role maps and the passing of individual papers will assist in the acquisition of knowledge for that particular role. Candidates who pass the whole examination will receive recognition at the sift stage of the Assessment Centre process. This recognition was approved by the then Integrated Personal Development Advisory Board, who had overseen and approved the work for IPDS.

The Practical examinations for 2004 will be the last and candidates who have failed to pass this year will be expected to enter the IPDS process.

If you have any queries concerning the status of any candidates in the examinations system then please contact one of my staff listed overleaf for clarification.

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