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Ladies and gentlemen of the ASRC, as the PSAR Commander, I am informing you that Piedmont Search and Rescue (PSAR) has elected to end our long standing 'Active' membership with the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference (ASRC).

Our membership has determined that the value-add of conference membership does not justify the continued cost. Be assured that PSAR will continue to maintain a professional working relationship with the ASRC, as well as its personnel and its member groups.

The Conference has been a constant during PSAR's thirteen years of existence. Until several years ago, when PSAR secured our independent MOU with VDEM, our only response mechanism was through the Conference. PSAR will continue to request ASRC involvement early during missions as appropriate.

Our decision was not easy and required lengthy discussions by the PSAR BOD and membership followed by a majority vote of the general membership in January of this year.

Sincerely,

Chris Bennett
Piedmont SAR Commander
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