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Dear Mr. Fogle:

SUBJECT: ASRC-NCRC callout June 29, 1994

Speaking on behalf of the Appalachian Search and Rescue Conference, thank you for this first official use of the ASRC-NCRC preplan for cave searches and rescues. As you know, a sizable overhead team and some other ASRC resources were heading your way when we got the news of the Status 1 find. As acting as dispatcher for the ASRC's Allegheny Mountain Rescue Group, I thought about the situation, and if it had gone on to a large search or rescue, the following would have probably been appropriate ASRC resources to send:

- a large Overhead Team (8?)
- any ASRC cavers with NCRC Orientation training or better

- a couple of FTLs and several FTMs to provide above-ground searching; or, for a rescue, several Rescue Specialists and FTLs to help with above-ground rescue prerigging if needed I thought we might want to look again at the ASRC-NCRC preplan and establish some such standard response.

Virginia DES also asked me to ask you to provide them a brief mission report; we at the ASRC would appreciate it as well. Thank you again, and we look forward to future cooperation between the ASRC and the NCRC.

Sincerely yours,

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cc: Ralph Wilfong, Virginia DES SAR Officer; Dave Carter,
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