

## **Rosenbauer America's Dealer Network Responds to Joplin Disaster by Providing a New Firetruck to the Joplin Fire Department**

**Lyons, SD – May 25, 2011** – The Joplin Fire Department lost two fire trucks in the tornado outbreak earlier this week. Rosenbauer America is responding to the Joplin disaster with an offer of a brand new fire truck for the fire department. The Joplin Fire Department will lease the apparatus for \$1. The truck will stay in Joplin until the fire department feels it has fully recovered. The custom pumper is fully certified and ready to be put in service immediately.

“As a fire chief for over 30 years, I have deep compassion for the Joplin community. It is unfortunate that any community suffers a catastrophic natural disaster, especially those who have patronized our business. Joplin has three of our trucks in service in their fire department so the best Rosenbauer can do now is to provide a fully certified and operational truck to help replace the trucks lost in the storm.” – Harold Boer, CEO of Rosenbauer America

Rosenbauer's dealer network has pulled together to perform a pump certification test at Towers Fire Apparatus (Freeburg, Illinois), Franco Fire (Arnold, Missouri) is providing the driver and covering fuel cost to drive to Joplin. MaxFire (Castle Rock, Colorado) the Rosenbauer dealer who sells and services the Rosenbauer product line in the area of Joplin, MO has volunteered to deliver the truck and perform all maintenance that is needed during the recovery period.

Rosenbauer has responded to past disasters with similar offers of assistance through providing new firetrucks, including after 9/11 when Rosenbauer donated a rescue truck to the New York City Fire Department.

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