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Dear Tom,

At our meeting today, June 1, 2005, the board of directors of the False Alarm Reduction Association (FARA) voted unanimously to endorse the adoption of NFPA 731, Standard for the Installation of Electronic Premises Security Systems, 2005 Edition.

The board would like to thank you and your committee for your hard work to develop this standard. The standard lays out reasonable requirements, including equipment standards, needed requirements for back up power, specification of minimum training of design and installation personnel and procedures for conducting and documenting user training, which can be adopted by individual alarm users, alarm companies, state governments and or localities to improve the overall quality of systems and help to reduce false alarms.

FARA is an association primarily of persons employed by government and public safety agencies in charge of, or working in, False Alarm Reduction Units. Our goal is to assist these individuals in reducing false alarms for their jurisdiction.

Established in 1997, FARA currently serves hundreds of members in the US and Canada through newsletters, conferences and educational programs.

As an organization that facilitates the exchange of information, influencing legislation and establishing relationships and partnerships with other groups interested in false alarm reduction, we feel the adoption and enforcement of standards, like NFPA 731, are a critical part of the international effort to reduce false alarms.

Sincerely,

Norma C. Beaubien  
FARA President