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State of Louisiana Requests Title 32 Designation for up to 8,000 Members of Louisiana National Guard

Governor Bobby Jindal formally requested Title 32 status from the Pentagon for Louisiana National Guard members responding to Hurricane Isaac, which would approve funding for up to 180 days of military duty for up to 8,000 guard members.

The letter the Governor sent to the Pentagon is below:

August 27, 2012

Honorable Leon E. Panetta

Secretary of Defense

Pentagon

Washington, DC 20310

Dear Secretary Panetta:

I ask you to approve funding for up to 180 days of military duty in Title 32 USC 502(f) status for the Soldiers and Airmen serving on State active duty in support of our response to the threat of Tropical Storm Isaac.

In accordance with Title 32, the National Guard is an integral part of the State’s emergency response to natural disasters including floods, hurricanes, and other severe weather events. The permanent Title 32 designation approval is critical to ensure our Guard members and their families receive the benefits and protections they deserve.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Bobby Jindal
Governor
State of Louisiana