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The Executive Council, in a meeting held on today's date, approved the Department of Public Safety's request for an emergency allocation in the amount of \$19,000.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices. On January 23, 2024, Keokuk ISICS Communication Tower was damaged by vandalism. Request was to cover repair costs.

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL OF IOWA

*Kristi Onstot*

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Executive Secretary

cc: Lieutenant Heath Hove, Interoperability Communications Bureau, Department of Public Safety  
Sergeant Joshua Duden, Interoperability Communications Bureau, Department of Public Safety  
Matt Bender, Department of Management  
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

AOS Claim # 3684  
TOS Job # \_\_\_\_\_



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October 10, 2024

Kristi Onstot  
Executive Council  
L O C A L

Subject: Damages to Radome Covers on Keokuk ISICS Communication Tower due  
to Vandalism on January 23, 2024  
Department of Public Safety  
Claim dated August 12, 2024  
AOS Claim ID: 3684

In accordance with Executive Council policy, we have examined the claim for 29C.20 funds for the above-mentioned damages. It is our conclusion that the above damage incurred by the Department of Public Safety is covered by Chapter 29C.20 of the Code of Iowa. Therefore, we recommend Executive Council approval in the amount of \$19,000.00, subject to an audit of actual invoices.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Brian R. Brustkern".

Brian R. Brustkern, CPA  
Deputy Auditor of State

cc: Lieutenant Joshua Duden, Communications & Interoperability Bureau, Department  
of Public Safety  
Heather Hackbarth, Department of Management

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Department of Public Safety

**Stephan Bayens**  
Commissioner

August 12, 2024

AON 29C20 allocation request ref. 2 broken radome covers on the Keokuk ISICS tower.

State of Iowa Executive Council:

On 1-23-24, ISICS Inventory and Maintenance Specialist, Rob Battles, was conducting routine site maintenance and reported observing two broken radome covers on the **Keokuk ISICS Tower**. A repair estimate is pending. Please accept this email as the required 29C20 Initial Notification.

Motorola Warranty Representative Dave Gordon was able to provide the DPS Interoperability Communications Bureau an estimate of \$19,000 for repairs to the broken radome covers. Repairs will commence when a tower crew becomes available.

The DPS Interoperability Communications Bureau is respectfully submitting a 29C20 Allocation Request for \$19,000 regarding this act of nature damage.

Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,

Lieutenant Joshua Duden  
Iowa DPS Communications & Interoperability Bureau  
Office of the Commissioner  
215 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street  
Des Moines, IA 50319

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**To:** [ExecutiveCouncil \[TOS\]](#); [Hollingsworth, Tammy \[AOS\]](#)  
**Cc:** [Seiler Katelyn](#); [Dostal Sandra](#); [Duden Joshua](#); [DAVID GORDON](#)  
**Subject:** 1-23-24 29C20 Initial Notification ref. Keokuk ISICS Tower - Two Damaged Radome Covers AON

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Executive Council and Tammy

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**Captain Richard Pierce**  
**Bureau Chief | DPS Interoperability Communication Bureau**

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**Subject:** 1-23-24 29C20 Initial Notification ref Keokuk ISICS Tower -Additional Update ref AON Radome Damage  
**Date:** Tuesday, February 6, 2024 9:42:05 AM  
**Attachments:** [1-23-24 29C20 Initial Notification ref. Keokuk ISICS Tower - Two Damaged Radome Covers AON.msg](#)

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Executive Council and Tammy,

On 2-6-24, Dave Gordon from Motorola reported he personally conducted a site inspection of the 1-23-24 reported radome damage at the Keokuk tower site. From Mr. Gordon's vantage point, he did not see any exit points in the dishes that would be consistent with rifle/shotgun damage. Due to the type and pattern of damage to the radome covers, it seemed more consistent with severe hail or falling ice damage. Once the new radome covers are received from the manufacturer in Italy and we can get a tower crew to examine the damage, we will be able to confirm the type of AON damage. Weather the nexus of the damage was vandalism or hail/ice, both are by definition AON damage. We will update the damage source when we submit the AON reimbursement claim in the future.

**Captain Richard Pierce**  
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**From:** Pierce Richard  
**Sent:** Friday, January 26, 2024 10:47 AM  
**To:** [ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov](mailto:ExecutiveCouncil@tos.iowa.gov); Tammy Hollingsworth <[Tammy.Hollingsworth@AOS.IOWA.GOV](mailto:Tammy.Hollingsworth@AOS.IOWA.GOV)>; Dave Gordon <[dave.gordon@motorolasolutions.com](mailto:dave.gordon@motorolasolutions.com)>  
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**Subject:** 1-23-24 29C20 Initial Notification ref Keokuk ISICS Tower -Follow up ref Radome Cover damage AON

### **Executive Council and Tammy**

Reference the attached initial AON notification that was send on 1-23-24, please see the below follow up information received from DPS Communication Tower Site Maintenance and inventory Specialist that discover the damaged radomes. It appears the two damaged radomes at the Keokuk ISICS Tower (a.k.a Sigourney ISICS Tower) may have been vandalized by person(s) unknown using weapon fire. We are coordinating with Motorola at this time to verify this information. We will also be checking with local law enforcement to see if we can ascertain possible investigative leads. ISIS Assistant System Engineer, Scott Richardson will reach out to local law enforcement to file a police report.

**Dave,**

Could you seek to have a tower crew to confirm and photograph the damage at this site and add it to the list of AON repairs on your end.

**Scott,**

Once confirmed and we have photographic documentation, can you coordinate with Rob to confer with local LE and file a report of vandalism. I will need a copy of that report once it is done.

Thank you all

**Captain Richard Pierce**

**Bureau Chief | DPS Interoperability Communication Bureau**

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**From:** Battles Robert <[battles@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:battles@dps.state.ia.us)>

**Sent:** Wednesday, January 24, 2024 9:33 PM

**To:** Pierce Richard <[pierce@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:pierce@dps.state.ia.us)>

**Cc:** Hove Heath <[hove@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:hove@dps.state.ia.us)>; Current Chad <[ccurrent@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:ccurrent@dps.state.ia.us)>

**Subject:** FW: keokuk radomes

Capt., I don't know if you're up to speed on this situation or not, but I sent the below email to Chad yesterday after I checked the Sigourney tower. I noticed the top two north facing radomes with damage. This location is in the city limits of Sigourney on department of transportation property. After I left the tower I drove by the police department in hopes that I could talk to an officer. I did not see anyone to talk to. The only houses that are close to the tower are the homes to the north of the tower site. The damage is possibly slug shotgun rounds. I was able to talk to Chad today and he said that he checked with someone in our department who said that they have had equipment problems at this site and didn't know why they were having problems. I think we need to check into this further. Since this is in the city limits. I think 10 shots from a shotgun should have drawn calls from other citizens. Maybe the police department investigated or did a report about the shots if that's what the damage is from. They may even have information about who fired the rounds. The distance a slug could travel would limit the possible houses that the rounds might have come from. At the very least maybe we do a knock and talk with the police department and a Trooper and maybe deter this from happening again. At the cost of two damaged radomes I think we need to check further.

Rob 932

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**From:** Battles Robert

**Sent:** Monday, January 22, 2024 1:03 PM

**To:** Current Chad <[ccurrent@dps.state.ia.us](mailto:ccurrent@dps.state.ia.us)>

**Subject:** keokuk radomes

Chad, the top two radomes at the Keokuk site have marks on them 7 on one and 3 on the other. I've never seen any other marks on any radomes since I have been doing this. It almost appears like they were shot with a weapon but they're so far up I can't be sure due to the distance from the ground.

Rob