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Subject: Jorge Camargo Promoted to Division Chief

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Orange County Fire Authority (OCFA) Fire Chief Chip Prather has announced that Rancho Santa Margarita resident Jorge Camargo has been promoted to the rank of Division Chief, effective April 13, 2007.

A Division Chief directs the day-to-day operations of a firefighting force in a large geographical area. They are responsible for planning, directing, coordinating and supervising the work of a suppression division, which usually includes two battalions. Chief Camargo will be in charge of Division 1, which includes the cities of Buena Park, Westminster, Stanton, La Palma, Los Alamitos, Seal Beach and Cypress.

Chief Camargo has 33 years of experience in the Fire Service and has been an OCFA Battalion Chief since 1999. His most recent assignment was Battalion Chief for OCFA's Special Operations Section. In this capacity he served as Program Manager to the Air Operations and the Crews and Equipment Sections.

Before being promoted to Battalion Chief, Jorge served as an Administrative Captain and was also an Assistant Fire Training Officer. In addition, he has experience as a Planning Section Chief for Orange County's Urban Search and Rescue Team.

He has served on several OCFA special project teams and committees, including the Ceremonies, Awards & Protocol Project Team, Wellness and Fitness Oversight Committee, Weapons of Mass Destruction Project Team, and Honor Guard.

Chief Camargo is currently completing a B.S. Degree in Occupational Studies from California State University, Long Beach. He also holds a myriad of National Wildland Coordination Group and California Fire Service Training Certificates.

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