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Ms. Carolyn Cohen
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Dear Ms. Cohen:

This letter approves the Supplemental Standard for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Forest Service and the U.S. Department of Interior's Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Fish and Wildlife Service, and National Park Service for GS-401, Fire Manager series. With this approval, the standard can be used immediately within your agencies.

We pleased to have been a part of this cooperative effort, and hope that this supplemental standard will meet the needs of the fire management community. Please convey our sincere appreciation to James Tingwald for seeing this project to completion, and the staff of the Federal Fire Institute for their time and expertise in the development of the standard. If you have any questions regarding the new standard, or if we can be of further assistance, please contact me or Cynthia Diané of my staff at (202) 606-0830.

Sincerely,

Elleir E. Tunstall
Assistant Director
for Employment Policy

Enclosure