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New Telephone Number and Web Site Section **Announced for Emergencies**

March 11, 2003 ... First Selectman Richard V. Bergstresser today announced a new toll-free telephone number that residents may call during major emergencies to receive up-to-date information and a new Emergency Preparedness area on the Town of Greenwich Web site.

The telephone number is 1-866-245-4260 and will be in service only during major emergency events, such as severe weather, including snow and flood emergencies; health or bioterrorism emergencies; and impacts on national, state or town infrastructure, such as the collapse of a bridge on Route 95. During times other than major emergencies, the toll-free number is not activated.

The Emergency Preparedness Web site section currently contains news items about the new toll-free telephone number; bioterrorism preparedness and response; and a hotline for potential terrorist threats. In addition, there are a number of links to Federal, State and Town emergency Web sites. During a major emergency, information and updates will be provided in the Emergency Preparedness News section of the Town Web site as well as in other areas on the site.

“The new telephone number and the new Web site section are additional steps in providing timely emergency information to the public,” said Mr. Bergstresser. “I encourage residents to post the new telephone number with their emergency plans and telephone numbers and to check out the information on the Web site at www.greenwichct.org.”

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