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**[Name of Fire Department] Receives Canned Drinking Water from Anheuser-Busch to Support Wildfire Response Efforts**

*Water donated through a partnership with the National Volunteer Fire Council*

[Include photo of water, delivery, water being utilized, etc.]

[Name of fire department] recently received a donation of canned emergency drinking water from leading brewer, Anheuser-Busch, to help provide critical hydration to its responders during this year’s wildfire season. On [date of delivery], [A-B Wholesaler Company Name], a local Anheuser-Busch wholesaler partner, dropped off [amount of water] to the department to help support its wildfire response needs. Maintaining firefighters’ hydration during long incidents or disasters such as wildfires is a major safety concern for many departments.

[Consider including a paragraph with department-specific information, such as size of community/population served, how many calls or wildfires it responds to annually, how wildfires have affected the community, etc.]

[Quote from chief about how the water is helping the dept. Suggested quote: “Firefighters lose a tremendous amount of fluid during high-intensity response such as battling wildfires. Proper hydration is critical to ensure the safety of our firefighters and to keep them performing at their best,” said (chief of department). “Thanks to this water donation from Anheuser-Busch and the National Volunteer Fire Council, we have the resources to keep our firefighters hydrated and ready to respond.”]

The water was donated by Anheuser-Busch through a partnership with the National Volunteer Fire Council (NVFC). Anheuser-Busch has a longstanding tradition of providing emergency drinking water and supplies for disaster relief efforts. The company periodically pauses beer production each year to apply its production and logistics expertise to can clean, safe drinking water that is ready to distribute when disaster strikes. Since 1988, the brewer has donated more than 90 million cans of emergency drinking water to communities impacted by natural disasters and other crises.

Building on this commitment, the brewer teamed up with the NVFC – the leading nonprofit membership association representing the interests of the volunteer fire, emergency medical, and rescue services – in 2019 to provide emergency drinking water to help firefighters stay hydrated and healthy when responding to wildfires and large incidents. To date, the program has donated nearly 4.9 million cans of water to volunteer firefighters across the country.

Learn more about the program at [www.nvfc.org/water](http://www.nvfc.org/water).