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To whom it may concern,

The Rio Vista Fire Department was awarded an AFG in 2009 for the purchase of a washer /extractor so we could properly wash all of our PPE, and prolong their useful life. One element that was overlooked in the grant application was the proper drying of the PPE after being washed. We had been using a standard household dryer for this but realized that this was having a negative effect on the longevity on our equipment. In looking at dryers designed for this purpose we found that most used heat in the drying process, and even though it was a low temperature, we felt that it might have a negative effect on our PPE. The costs for these dryers also exceeded that which we could get authorized through the AFG, along with a small match from us.

We continued to look for a dryer that would serve our needs and come in at the right price point and discovered the Ram Air Dryer. After taking a thorough look at the how it operated, the options of drying other items other than turn out gear, and using only ambient air, we decided to make the purchase.

We are pleased with our purchase and would recommend it to others who are looking for a way to dry PPE, boots, gloves, helmets, and other equipment with just one piece of equipment.

Sincerely,

Thomas L. Myers
Interim Fire Chief