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## ***NEWS RELEASE***

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### **COLUMBIA COUNTY FIRE RULED ARSON; REWARD OFFERED**

**ATLANTA, GA** – An arson investigator with the Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Office has determined that a fire yesterday that destroyed three mobile homes in Columbia County was intentional set. A reward is now being offered for information that leads to an arrest and conviction of the arsonist(s).

The fire, which occurred around 3:30 a.m. in the 1100 block of Lakeside Drive in Grovetown, Ga., originated at one of the unoccupied homes, then spread to the other two, said Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner Ralph Hudgens. No injuries were reported.

Hudgens is asking anyone with knowledge about this fire to call his office at 1-800-282-5804. He is offering a reward of up to \$10,000 for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of the arsonist. Calls are taken 24 hours a day; callers can choose to remain anonymous.

The Grovetown Department of Public Safety is assisting with the investigation.