

CHARLESTON

FIRE DEPARTMENT



New Fire Engines Delivered

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Charleston, SC (February 7, 2014): The Charleston Fire Department recently took delivery, and placed in-service, three new Pierce Arrow XT fire engines. These new vehicles replace a 1994 model at Central Station (Meeting/Wentworth), a 1994 model at Station 16 (West Ashley), and a 1997 model at Station 13 (James Island).

"The addition of these three engines continues the City's commitment to upgrading the fleet with state of the art apparatus," said Fire Chief Karen Brack. "The increased firefighting capacity, improved safety features, equipment upgrades, and standardization of the fleet are providing the firefighting force with the best tools to protect our community."

All three of the new vehicles are equipped with 1500 GPM pumps and 750 gallon booster tanks. Each carries 1400' of 5" supply hose, 1100' of 2.5" hose, 650' of 1.88" hose, and include a bumper mounted hose tray. The body has high side compartments on both sides with ladders, pike poles and back boards stored inside. The new units are equipped with LED warning lights, seat belt monitoring systems, officer side speedometer, a generator, brow mounted floodlights, headset system which provides intercom capability and hearing protection, and seating for 5 firefighters.



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