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BAKER COUNTY FIRE INTENTIONALLY SET

ATLANTA – Insurance and Safety Fire Commissioner John F. King announced today that a cotton harvest in Baker County was intentionally set on fire. The fire occurred on Pretoria Road in Newton around 5:02 p.m. on Thursday, November 25. The Baker County Fire Department responded and found 36 cotton bales fully engulfed in flames.

“The harvest was a product of K and K Farms and was estimated to be a \$90,000 loss,” said Commissioner King. “Investigators examined the scene and determined the fire was intentionally set. **Anyone with information about this Baker County fire is invited to call my Fire Investigators Unit at 1-800-282-5804.**”

Commissioner King’s Fire Investigations Unit is assisting the Baker County Fire Department and Baker County Sheriff’s Office with this investigation. In coordination with the State Fire Investigations Unit, a reward of up to \$10,000 is offered by Georgia Arson Control for information that leads to the arrest and conviction of those responsible for arson.

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