

Session 13: Incorporating Hostile Action Drills into the REP Program in Illinois

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Abstract:

In Illinois four Hostile Action Drills have been conducted starting in 2007. A fifth Hostile Action Drill is planned for May with the sixth to be held in September. Much has been learned from the time the first Hostile Action Drill was conducted at Quad Cities in early 2007. The focus of this presentation will be on using the lessons learned from Hostile Action Drills to plan not just for future Hostile Action Drills but regular REP Exercises as well. An example of this is the consideration of what impact evacuees have on responding emergency workers when implementing early evacuations. In addition emphasis will be placed on how the basics of planning for REP exercises can be used for planning for Hostile Action Drills. The final area covered will be new communication strategies implemented to address the needs of the Incident Command Post, Unified Area Command as well as the various EOC's.

Biographical Sketch of Ken Evans:

Ken Evans has over 30 years in Emergency Planning and is currently a Nuclear Safety Policy Analyst in the Bureau of Nuclear Facility Safety of the Illinois Emergency Management Agency. In the Bureau of Nuclear Facility Safety Ken is responsible for coordinating scenario development for the offsite organizations by working closely with the nuclear utility. Ken was instrumental in development of the first three Hostile Action Drills in Illinois and played as the Health Physics Specialist in the fourth. Prior to joining Illinois Emergency Management Agency in 2002 Ken was employed by the Clinton Power Station for 18 years with responsibilities in all areas of onsite Emergency Planning including scenario development, training and dose modeling. and implementation of the Severe Accident Management Guidelines. Ken started his career as a Health Physicist for the Arkansas Department of Health and moved to the Tennessee Valley Authority one year after TMI to help develop their Emergency Plans.