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UPPER UWCHLAN TOWNSHIP EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT PLANNING COMMISSION SUCCESSFULLY COMPLETES PREPAREDNESS EXERCISE

CHESTER SPRINGS, PA – On November 16, 2021, the Upper Uwchlan Township Emergency Management Planning Commission (EMPC) and several Township officials participated in an exercise to test Township preparedness for responding to an incident at Limerick Generating Station (LGS). The exercise was initiated and directed by Exelon in conjunction with the Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA), Region 3.

The exercise simulated an unusual operating condition at LGS that resulted in a short-duration release of contamination to the atmosphere. All 13 municipalities within in the 10-Mile Emergency Planning Zone around LGS took part in the exercise.

Emergency responders, police, and Township officials respond to incidents in compliance with UUT's "all hazards" Emergency Operations Plan, which includes a Radiological Emergency Response Plan annex.

Township officials activated the emergency operations center (EOC) and successfully responded to simulated rapidly evolving conditions at LGS. Evaluators from FEMA and the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency were on hand to observe and critically evaluate the Township's performance. The exercise lasted approximately three hours. Importantly, this exercise was the first opportunity for the EMPC to test the Township's new EOC, which was redesigned as a part of the Township Building renovations.

During the post-exercise debriefing, the Township was praised for preparation, facility organization, teamwork, and problem-solving techniques. No deficiencies were noted.

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