

CUEA

CALIFORNIA UTILITIES EMERGENCY ASSOCIATION



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“Common Threads”

Integrating Public/Private Partnerships into the Emergency Management System



Executive Order S-04-06

CA Office of Emergency Services

- Governor's Office of Emergency Services (OES)
- Cabinet Office
- Three Administrative Regions
 - Coastal (Oakland)
 - Inland (Sacramento)
 - Southern (Los Alamitos)
- Six Mutual Aid Regions
 - Law, Fire,



Henry Renteria
OES Director

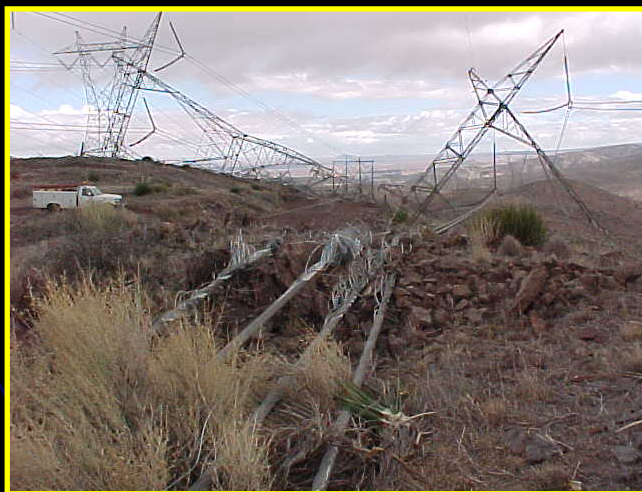
History

- Governor chartered CUEA in 1952 as part of the state's Civil Defense Plan
- The association was created by a Joint Powers Agreement to represent Utilities on Emergency - related issues.
- CUEA incorporated in 1998 as 501(c)4
- CUEA received state tax exempt status in 1999



Mission

- Provides structure for efficient communication / coordination between governmental organizations and the Utility industry
- Provide a strategic point of insight on state disaster policies.
- Provides emergency operations support to ensure preservation of lives and property



Leadership and Support

Board of Directors:

Comprised of Senior-level officers from California public and private utilities; functions as the Association's policy-making body

Utility Emergency Coordinators:

Senior managers from California public and private utilities provide functional and project support on CUEA and CA State OES projects.

Funding

The Association is funded primarily by member Utilities through annual membership dues.

Members include AT&T, CA ISO, City of Anaheim, East Bay MUD, LADWP, Metropolitan Water District, SMUD, Southern CA Edison, Sempra Energy Utilities, Verizon Wireless, and more.



Information Exchange

- Investor Owned

 - Not required to share information

 - Loss of public confidence

 - Loss of market share

- Public

 - Required to provide public information

 - No loss of market share

CUEA / CA OES Partnership

Allows for meeting Utility Emergency Management Needs

- Planning
- Preparedness
- Mitigation
- Response
- Recovery



CUEA EOC

- Co-located within CA OES; provides structure to address Utility emergency related issues.
- Senior managers from CA Utilities staff the EOC.
- CUEA is activated for response and recovery issues to enhance the CUEA Emergency Plan and the California State Emergency Plan.
- The Executive Director serves as the utilities liaison to CA OES through the state operations center.



CUEA Overview



Utility Industries

- Gas/Pipeline
- Energy
- Telecom
- Cable
- Water/Wastewater

partnering with

**OHS/OES and other
Governmental Agencies**

CUEA Sponsored Events

- Annual Meeting
- Critical Information Workshop
- SEMS Specialist Committee
- CSTI Water Programs
- CUEA/CA OES Quarterly Meeting
- Publish Quarterly Newsletter
- EDIS and Equipment Capability Test

Some Current Initiatives

- SEMS/NIMS Integration
- Potable Water document
- Golden Guardian 2007
- Golden Guardian 2008
- Chair Emergency Partnership Advisory Workgroup
- State Mass Fatality Management Planning Committee
- CA Disaster Resource and Capability Preparedness Assessment Project

Summary

- The commitment to partner and train will establish a level of trust and shared vision
- The opportunity for integration is current, the responsibility shared and the benefits will be critical and long term.





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Thank you for your attention!