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To: Justice Committee

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We conducted the monthly radio tests with local agencies and IEMA. EMA helped deliver a pallet of water to Rantoul for the Red Cross in support of the Scout Space Jamboree at Chanute. The agency conducted two planning meetings with IL American Water, Urbana Fire Department, Champaign Fire Department (they aren't participating in the exercise), Arrow Ambulance and Urbana Police for a chlorine gas leak full-scale exercise to be hosted Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The Deputy Director attended the IEMA course EOC Management and Interface in Springfield. The Director did community outreach with RP Lumber explaining severe weather and sheltering procedures and notifications. We attended the Urbana 9-11 Memorial planning meeting, EMA will be doing the command post function for the event at the plaza building. The agency attended a United States Postal Service Biohazard Detection System (BDS) meeting with USPS, Champaign Police Department, Red Cross, and the Champaign-Urbana Public Health District to discuss the upcoming year's exercises concerning the BDS. We met with Regional Planning Commission Geographic Information System technicians about GIS for the County Emergency Operation Center and GIS applications during emergencies and disasters. We continued meeting with 911 about using the premise alert program to help identify functional needs personnel in a disaster or emergency. We hope the new program will be launched in September 2011. EMA personnel responded with the mobile command post to a METRO SWAT call out for an armed barricaded individual. The mobile command post was used as the Unified Command location. We hosted the IEMA Comprehensive Resource Management Course for local and regional personnel, first class to be offered in the area.