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To: Justice Committee

From: John M. Dwyer, Deputy Director

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Report for the Board

## <u>October</u>

We conducted the monthly radio tests with local agencies and IEMA. The agency conducted a full-scale exercise with IL American Water, Urbana Fire Department, Carle Hospital/Arrow Ambulance and Urbana Police for a chlorine gas on Oct 5<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The Deputy Director attended the Illinois State Police Training for Railroad Crash Investigation Course. We conducted a press conference with 911 about using the premise alert program to help identify functional needs personnel in a disaster or emergency. We met with a Federal Emergency Management Representative about the new Integrated Public Alert and Warning System (IPAWS) to be rolled out over the next few years. We met with the new Homeland Security Chemical Security Inspector about assistance in an emergency with dealing with Chemical Storage Facilities in our area. We received the IESMA Electrical Distribution Trailer to be used with the IESMA generators. Champaign County Emergency Management Agency hosted the first ever UIUC Evacuation Tabletop Exercise. We participated in the U.S. Postal Service Biohazard Detect System Table-top exercise with other area responders and postal staff. We attended the Emergency Management Committee Meeting of the Illinois Terrorism Task Force at the State Emergency Operations Center. EMA personnel attended the annual area pipeline luncheon in Champaign and the Illinois Terrorism Task Force Emergency Management Committee Meeting in Springfield.