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Regional Summary

Jack Brown, Chair NCR Emergency Managers Committee

Regional Conference Calls

CAOs

Emergency Managers

District of Columbia

- Underground Power Lines Task Force established
 - Final reports expected in January 2013

Maryland

- State electricity reliability panel formed
 - Burial of power lines to be examined
- Public hearings with Pepco
 - MD Public Service Commission coordinated
 - Montgomery, Frederick and Prince George's County

Virginia

- Preparedness education
- Community engagement
 - Town Hall meetings, commissions, surveys
- Communications examined
 - Tools, timeliness, and clear messaging
 - Secure Commonwealth Panel formed to examine Verizon issues

Verizon 911 Service

- 2.3 million without reliable 911 service for up to 4 days
 - Virginia and parts of DC and Maryland
- Central phone facilities lost power
 - Fairfax & Arlington
 - Tandem generators failed.
 - System adjustments after power was restored.
- Lessons learned
 - Robust generator maintenance
 - Network system redesigns to improve redundancy

Questions?