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Mary Ann Wilson	Entergy
Tim East	WCNOE
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Topical Emergency Preparedness Discussions NRC Counterpart Meeting January 21, 2004

- Fast breaker events
- Shift staffing during an emergency
- Offsite readiness and out reach
- Industry Emergency Preparedness Review
 - Define emergency events supporting EP
 - Evaluate sheltering vs. evacuation options, PAGs
 - EP application and use of the alternate source term
- NRC Regulatory Oversight Program
- Potassium Iodide (KI) NAS study
- 50.54(q) process
- EP Security Coordination
- Indian Point related issues
- International Nuclear Event Scale
- Emergency Action Levels revisions
- Emergency notification recommendations
- FEMA Strategic Review
- EP Early Site Permits
- NEI EP and Event Communications Working group
- NEI Emergency Preparedness and Communications Forum
- NEI EP Managers Training Course
- NEI EP Communicators Training Course
- Regional Utility Groups interactions