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Mr. Robert Jickling  
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Dear Mr. Jickling,

As you know for the last several years I have advocated the simultaneous notification of EPZ Counties and the State. I do not understand the resistance to the concept as, at least in my mind, we are all on the same team working for the same goal, the safety of the public. So once again I am writing letters and making telephone calls to promote this concept. I would be most interested in your support of these changes to the notification process however, I have been down this road before and found that although a nice trip, it leads nowhere. I consider this a courtesy notification that I'm at it again, I have found new roads to travel in search of the appropriate contact to get the job done. There is room should you want to get on board to support NARS notification of Counties and State at the same time.

The significant problem is that NARS messages take anywhere from twenty to fifty minutes to make their way from the utility (accident classified time) to notification into the County Dispatch Center, not to decision makers, to the dispatch center. We then need to add as much as thirty minutes for local mobilization time before protective actions could be implemented. I feel that this length of time is unacceptable and could be significantly reduced if the utility notified the counties at the same time the State is notified.

I value the information and recommendations of the State, but think that their analysis and the county mobilization, condition and capability assessment could easily take place concurrently.

As previously stated, I have been unsuccessful in getting this change made and I'm reaching out to those that have rulemaking authority for assistance and guidance in this matter.

Sincerely,  
  
Jim Lutz

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