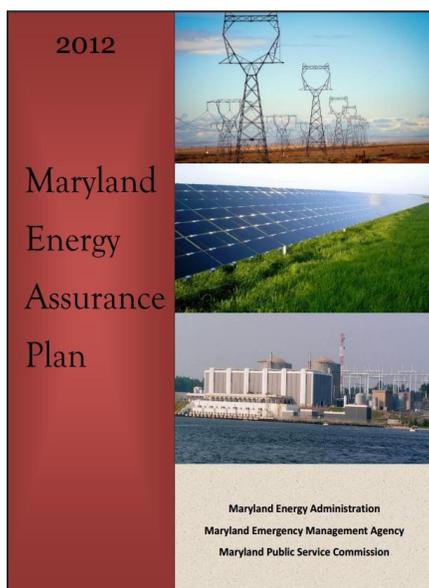


Local Energy Assurance Planning: Find Essential Support with the Maryland Energy Assurance Plan



As an emergency manager, you know that ensuring effective response depends on timely and continued planning for all hazards. Incidents like June's derecho storms and Superstorm Sandy emphasize more than ever the need to track the essential services your jurisdiction provides and assess their vulnerability to energy disruption. Local Energy Assurance Planning (LEAP) is key to this effort. However, gathering the information you need to address vulnerabilities to essential services can present significant challenges.

To help meet these challenges, the Maryland Energy Administration (MEA) and the Maryland Emergency Management Agency (MEMA) have developed the Maryland Energy Assurance Plan (EAP).

What is the Maryland Energy Assurance Plan?

Released in July 2012, the Maryland EAP is intended to help create "a more resilient energy infrastructure that recovers quickly from disruption." The Maryland EAP provides jurisdictions two key elements to support LEAPs efforts: an essential overview of energy assurance, and a platform to develop specific, detailed plans to guide energy assurance infrastructure-investment and emergency planning.

Learn more about the Maryland EAP and the basics of local energy assurance planning with a 1-hour webinar

**Tuesday
January 29, 2013**

9:30 – 10:30 a.m.

Registration information to follow.



DEVELOPING YOUR ENERGY ASSURANCE PLAN

Looking to develop your local energy assurance planning efforts? This January, MEA is offering a 1-hour webinar on the basics of LEAPs, including preliminary planning activities and important information to consider for your jurisdictional planning.

LOCAL ENERGY ASSURANCE PLANNING

For more information on Local Energy Assurance Planning, LEAP guidelines, and more, visit:

www.energyassurance.us/

THE MARYLAND EAP IS ONLINE:

To find out more about energy assurance planning in Maryland, and to view the Maryland EAP, visit:

www.energy.maryland.gov/energyassurance/