

## **EMERGENCY SUPPORT FUNCTION 12 ENERGY**

### **Primary Agency**

Chatham County Department of Public Works

### **Support Agencies**

Atlanta Gas Light  
Chatham Emergency Management Agency  
City of Bloomindgale Public Works Department  
City of Garden City Public Works  
City of Pooler Public Works Department  
City of Port Wentworth Public Works Department  
City of Savannah Public Works and Water Resources  
City of Thunderbolt Public Works Department  
City of Tybee Island Public Works Department  
Colonial Oil Industries, Inc.  
Georgia Natural Gas  
Georgia Power  
Strickland Oil  
US Corps of Engineers (USACE)

## **I. INTRODUCTION**

The emergency support function of energy services direction and coordination, operations and follow-through during an emergency or disaster.

### **A. Purpose**

This ESF provides operational guidance to those who are assigned to work in this ESF. The mission of this ESF is to coordinate response activities of energy and utility organizations in responding to and recovering from fuel shortages, power outages, and capacity shortages which impact or threaten to impact Chatham County citizens and visitors during and after a potential of actual disaster or emergency.

1. This ESF will coordinate providing sufficient fuel supplies to emergency response organizations and areas along evacuation routes.
2. Coordinate the provision of materials, supplies, and personnel for the support of emergency activities being conducted.
3. Maintain communication with utility representatives to determine emergency response and recovery needs.
4. Coordinate with schools and other critical facilities within the county to identify emergency shelter power generation status/needs; and coordinate with other ESFs with assistance in providing resources for

emergency power generation.

5. Maintain lists of energy-centric critical assets and infrastructures, and continuously monitors those resources to identify and correct vulnerabilities to energy facilities.
6. Addresses significant disruptions in energy supplies for any reason, whether caused by physical disruption of energy transmission and distribution systems, unexpected operational failure of such systems, or unusual economic or political events.

## B. Scope

This ESF is structured to coordinate the provision of emergency supply and transportation of fuel and the provision of emergency power to support immediate response operations as well as restoring the normal supply of power to normalize community functioning. This ESF will work closely with local and state agencies, energy offices, energy suppliers and distributors.

The emergency operations necessary for the performance of this function include but are not limited to:

### 1. Preparedness

- a. Develop and maintain current directories of suppliers of services and products associated with this function.
- b. Establish liaison with support agencies and energy-related organizations.
- c. In coordination with public and private utilities, ensure plans for restoring and repairing damaged energy systems are updated.
- d. In coordination with public and private utilities, establish priorities to repair damaged energy systems and coordinate the provision of temporary, alternate, or interim sources of natural gas supply, petroleum fuels, and electric power.
- e. Promote and assist in developing mutual assistance compacts with the suppliers of all power resources.
- f. Develop energy conservation protocols.
- g. Ensure all ESF 12 personnel integrate NIMS principles in all planning.

### 2. Response

- a. Analyze affected areas to determine operational priorities and emergency repair procedures with utility field personnel. Provide status of energy resources to the EOC Operations Group as required and, when possible, provide data by county.
- b. In coordination with public and private utilities, prioritize rebuilding processes, if necessary, to restore power to affected areas.
- c. Locate fuel for emergency operations.
- d. Administer, as needed, statutory authorities for energy priorities and allocations.
- e. Apply necessary County resources, to include debris removal, in accordance with established priorities in response to an emergency.

- f. Provide energy emergency information, education and conservation guidance to the public in coordination with the EOC Public Information Group.
- g. Coordinate with ESF 1 for information regarding transport of critical energy supplies.
- h. Plan for and coordinate security for vital energy supplies with ESF 13.
- i. Maintain continual status of energy systems and the progress of restoration.
- j. Utility repair and restoration activities to include collecting and providing energy damage assessment data to ESF 3.
- k. Recommend energy conservation measures.

### 3. Recovery

- a. Maintain coordination with all supporting agencies and organizations on operational priorities and emergency repair and restoration.
- b. Continue to provide energy emergency information, education and conservation guidance to the public in coordination with ESF15.
- c. Anticipate and plan for arrival of and coordinate with state ESF12 personnel in the EOC and the Joint Field Office.
- d. Continue to conduct restoration operations until all services have been restored.
- e. Ensure that ESF12 team members or their support agencies maintain appropriate records of costs incurred during the event.

### 4. Mitigation

- a. Anticipate and plan for mitigation measures.
- b. Support requests and directives resulting from the Governor and/or the state concerning mitigation and/or redevelopment activities.
- c. Document matters that may be needed for inclusion in agency or state/federal briefings, situation reports and action plans.

## II. CONCEPT OF OPERATIONS

### A. Strategy

Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) will be developed and maintained by the agency or organization that has primary responsibility for this section of the ESF, in cooperation with the EMA. This function will be coordinated with and involve other support agencies and organizations.

Energy services is the primary responsibility of Chatham County Department of Public Works and support for this function is the responsibility of Atlanta Gas Light, Chatham Emergency Management Agency, City of Bloomindgale Public Works Department, City of Garden City Public Works, City of Pooler Public Works Department, City of Port Wentworth Public Works Department, City of Savannah Public Works and Water Resources, City of Thunderbolt

Public Works Department, City of Tybee Island Public Works Department, Colonial Oil Industries, Inc., Georgia Natural Gas, Georgia Power, Strickland Oil and US Corps of Engineers (USACE).

## 1. Actions

### a. Mitigation/Preparedness

- i. Establish liaison support to ensure responsiveness, in conjunction with EMA and the private sector.
- ii. Identify additional resources and assistance teams;
- iii. Develop emergency response support plans.
- iv. Prepare damage assessment, repair and restoration procedures, and reporting mechanisms.
- v. Recommend actions to conserve energy and conservation guidance.
- vi. Participate in drills and exercises to evaluate energy response capabilities.

### b. Response/Recovery

- i. Determine critical energy supply needs of priority populations (e.g., infants, elderly, and other people with special needs).
- ii. Gather, assess, and share information on energy system damage, as well as estimate repair and restoration time.
- iii. Activate assistance teams and obtain necessary resources to assist in recovery.
- iv. Serve as the focal point for the EMA and EOC in order to protect the health and safety of affected persons.
- v. Work with the EMA to provide public service announcements on energy conservation, mitigation impacts, and restoration forecasts.
- vi. Coordinate with other affected areas to maximize resources and information exchange.
- vii. Conduct repair and maintenance operations until restoration of all services.
- viii. Maintain records, expenditures, and document resources utilized during recovery.

## III. RESPONSIBILITIES

### A. Chatham County Department of Public Works

1. Serve as the Primary Agency for ESF-12
2. Coordinate quarterly ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF
3. Coordinate ESF-12 resources County-wide
4. Provide staffing for the ESF-12 Energy Group Supervisor and/or Infrastructure Branch Director (Operations Section) in the EOC when activated
5. Provide additional resources as available to support ESF-12 response and recovery efforts.
6. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
7. Participate in drills, exercises, and other preparedness events to measure the Agency's readiness to support this ESF.
8. Coordinate with other ESF Agencies through regularly scheduled ESF meetings to ensure planning functions are carried out to support this ESF.
9. Ensure the presence of resources (human and physical) is in sufficient numbers to support the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
10. Identify Agency staff representatives supporting this ESF and other operational practices during emergency and disaster operations.
11. Prepare to support the Emergency Operations Center as necessary.
12. Ensure Agency Staff maintain NIMS compliance and report compliance measurements annually when requested.
13. Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
14. Document disaster related activities related to this ESF.
15. Conduct recovery and restoration task in coordination with the County EOC/RCC and federal assistance program guidelines
16. Coordinate pertinent disaster recovery information with the County Joint Information Center (JIC).
17. Prepare to collect and maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized during response and recovery operations.

## B. Atlanta Gas Light

1. Provide staffing for the Natural Gas Liaison (Single Resource, Operations Section) in the EOC when activated
2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12 Primary and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the County's natural gas infrastructure and coordinate service restoration
3. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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#### C. Chatham Emergency Management Agency

1. Provide the ESF-12 Primary with the guidance and support required to accomplish assigned tasks
2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12 Primary and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the County's energy and power infrastructure to determine needed resources
3. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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#### D. City of Bloomindgale Public Works Department

1. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12 Primary and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the jurisdiction's energy and power infrastructure; and coordinate restoration of services
2. Serve as the jurisdiction's primary coordinator and point-of-contact for all ESF-12 functions
3. Maintain a list and contact information of jurisdictional agencies and personnel supporting ESF-12 functions, provide this information to the ESF-12 Primary
4. Maintain a list of jurisdictional critical facilities and provide this information to the ESF-12 Primary
5. Maintain a list of ESF-12 resources available to support response and recovery operations, provide this information to the ESF-12 Primary
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#### E. City of Garden City Public Works

1. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12



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#### F. City of Pooler Public Works Department

1. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12 Primary and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the jurisdiction's energy and power infrastructure; and coordinate restoration of services
2. Serve as the jurisdiction's primary coordinator and point-of-contact for all ESF-12 functions
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  5. Maintain a list of ESF-12 resources available to support response and recovery operations, provide this information to the ESF-12 Primary
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#### G. City of Port Wentworth Public Works Department

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#### H. City of Savannah Public Works and Water Resources

1. Coordinate staffing for the COS Public Works and Water Resources Liaison (Single Resource, Operations Section) in the EOC when activated
2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12 Primary and other agencies as needed to assess the overall status of the jurisdiction's energy and power infrastructure; and coordinate restoration of services
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#### I. City of Thunderbolt Public Works Department

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#### J. City of Tybee Island Public Works Department

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K. Colonial Oil Industries, Inc.

1. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, provide information to CEMA and/or the EOC Ground Support Unit (Logistics Section), regarding the availability and sustainability of area fuel supplies.
2. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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L. Georgia Natural Gas

1. Coordinate staffing for a Natural Gas Liaison (Single Resource, Operations Section) in the EOC when activated
2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, provide information to the ESF-12 Primary regarding the status of the natural gas distribution system
3. Coordinate needed repairs to restore natural gas services
4. Develop appropriate Plans, Procedures, Mutual Aid Agreements, Checklists, Go-Kits, and other supporting documentation as needed to facilitate execution of the Agency's responsibilities to this ESF.
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#### M. Georgia Power

1. Provide staffing for an Electrical Power Liaison (Single Resource, Operations Section) in the EOC when activated
2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, provide information to the ESF-12 Primary regarding the status of the area's electrical grid and power distribution system
3. Coordinate needed repairs to restore electrical power
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#### N. Strickland Oil

1. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, provide information to CEMA and/or the EOC Ground Support Unit (Logistics Section), regarding the status of fuel distribution capabilities.
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#### O. US Corps of Engineers (USACE)

1. Provide staffing for a USACE Liaison (Single Resource, Logistics Section) in the EOC when activated
2. Following an Incident of Critical Significance, coordinate with ESF-12 Primary, CEMA, and other agencies as needed to provide information obtained by Federal resources assessing the overall status of the energy systems and infrastructure within the County.
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10. Annually evaluate Critical Workforce Staffing needs and report sheltering and equipment staging locations when requested.
11. Document disaster related activities related to this ESF.
12. Conduct recovery and restoration task in coordination with the County EOC/RCC and federal assistance program guidelines
13. Coordinate pertinent disaster recovery information with the County Joint Information Center (JIC).
14. Identify damages and losses and prepare an action plan for recovery activities.
15. Prepare to collect and maintain records of expenditures and document resources utilized during response and recovery operations.

#### IV. COUNTY-SPECIFIC INFORMATION

No County-specific information provided.