

# **Emergency Operations Management**

Prepare, Respond, Communicate

## **Energy Delivery**

Emergency Restoration Plan (ERP)



- Foundation & Guidance
  - Nearly 100 years of experience in Emergency Response and Operations
  - Federal Emergency Management Agency
  - State of Florida
    - Public Service Commission
    - Division of Emergency Management
  - Alachua County Office of Emergency Management
  - City Emergency Operations



#### Commitment

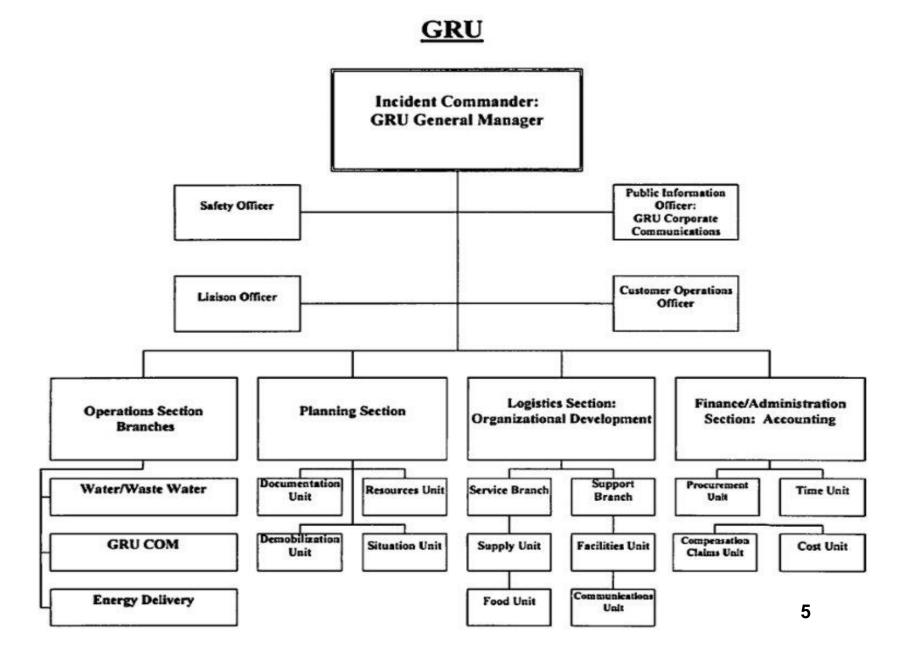
- Prepare for system upsets, respond quickly and effectively, and communicate to all stakeholders
- Interact cooperatively and effectively with all federal, state and local agencies

#### Practice

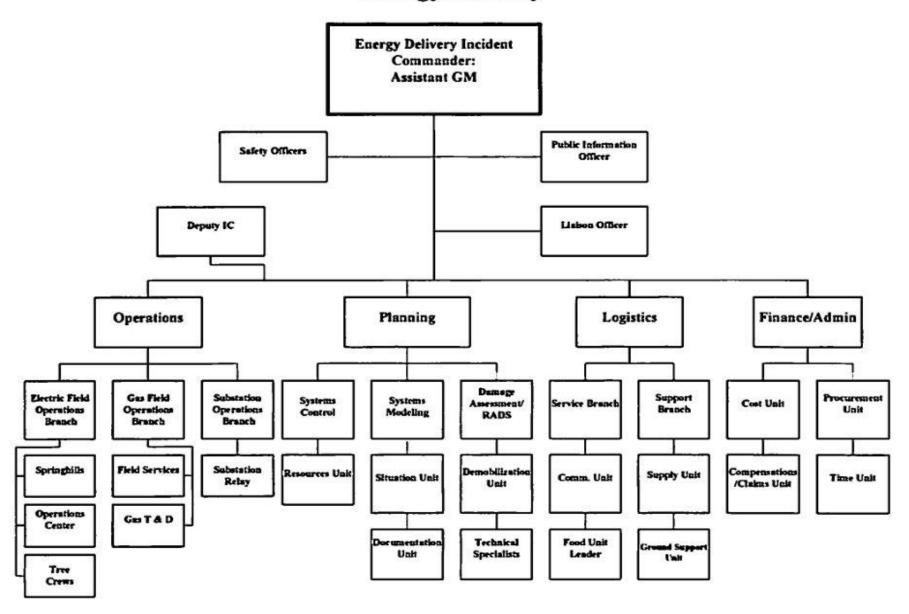
- City March 2015
- County/State Drill May 2015
- GRU June 2015



#### Organizational Structure and Functional Responsibilities



#### **Energy Delivery**



- Focus
  - Safety
  - Employee Training
  - Mutual Aid Contracts
  - Vendor Contracts
  - RADS & DADS Training
  - Public Information
  - Communication Platforms



- Restoration Timeline
  - Monitor National Weather Service
  - Preparation Meetings, start 96 hours in advance
  - Public Service Announcements (PSAs)
  - Staff Emergency Operations Centers as required
  - Develop storm ride-through strategy and default report-to-work time
  - Begin restoration when safe



- Restoration Priorities
  - Generation / Supply
  - Transmission System
  - Substations
  - Critical Customers & Distribution System
    Circuits
  - Remaining Distribution Circuits, Main Line
  - Distribution Laterals
  - Services



- Critical Customers & Distribution
  System Circuits
  - Water & Wastewater Plants
  - Hospitals, Critical Care Facilities
  - Emergency Alert System (RUF)
  - Public Safety Facilities (Police & Fire)
  - Correctional Facilities



- Operating Periods
  - 24 hr/day operation
  - Generally two operating periods per day
  - Typically of unequal periods
    - Day shift of 16hrs
    - Night shift of 8hrs



- Rapid Assessment of Damage (RADS)
  - Day 1, high level and very fast assessment of system damage.
  - Electronic tabulation of manpower and material required to restore system.
  - Results used to determine the amount of mutual aid needed to augment our resources.
  - Initial restoration estimate derived. Estimate will vary based on discovered damage & mutual aid availability.



- Detailed Assessment of Damage (DADS)
  - Detailed and thorough assessment of system damage
  - Electronic tabulation of manpower and material required to restore system
  - Results used to refine the mutual aid resources needed to augment our staff
  - Refined estimated time of restoration by circuit computed. Estimate will vary based on discovered damage, mutual aid availability, materials and weather.



#### Communications

- Pre through post system upset
- Internal and external updates
- Hourly then periodic facilities status reports
- ACEOC and CEOC lines of communication open
- Call center(s) active (24 x7)
- Interval action plans distributed
- Restoration timeline calculated and distributed
- Pipelines: Corporate Communication and news/ social media



## WATER/ WASTEWATER



## Water/ Wastewater Systems

### Drinking Water

- Murphree WTP: provides drinking water to ~190,000
- 1,117 miles of distribution pipe covering 118 sq miles

#### Wastewater

- 2 Water Reclamation Facilities
- 168 Wastewater Lift Stations
- ~800 miles of collections pipe covering 115 sq miles



## Prepare

- System Design
- Emergency Preparedness Plan
- Training
- 5 day Prediction Cone
- 1st 72 hours
- Positioning of Resources
- Vendor Coordination





## Respond

- Restore Water & Wastewater Service
  - Community health, safety and welfare
- Emergency Preparedness Plan
  - Personnel: All 1st Responders
    - Roles and Responsibilities
    - Equipment
    - Material
- Field Assessment
  - Triage
- Work Order Assignment





## Communicate

- Dispatch Centers
- SCADA
- Mutual Aid
- FlaWARN and Regulatory Agencies
- Local/State/Federal Public Safety Authorities
- Corporate Communications
  - News and Social Media
- After Action Assessment

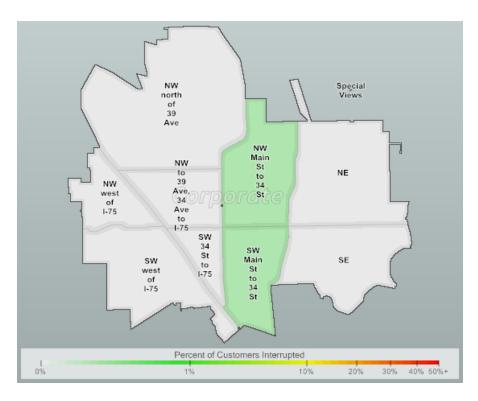


# CUSTOMER/ EMPLOYEE COMMUNICATIONS



## Year-Round

- Storm Season
- Ongoing General Messaging
  - www.gru.com
    - Electric Outage Map
  - Twitter
  - Facebook



http://www.gru.com/StormCentral



# Start of Hurricane Season (June – November)

#### Web

 Storm preparedness; hurricane guide, safety checklist, restoration information and power outage map

#### Print

- Newsletter, newspaper, storm guide
- TV & radio





## **Customer Communications**

#### **Imminent Storm**

- Before
- During
- After



Hurricane Jeanne (2004)



### Before the Storm

- Internal information systems activated
  - Employee emergency information phone line, text messaging and email
  - All communication tools tested
- Communication channels established between GRU personnel, external officials



### Before the Storm

- Review/ prepare communication tools
  - Pre-recorded TV and radio spots ready for activation
    - Scripts for Public Service Announcements (PSAs)
  - Pre-drafted news releases
- Update <u>www.gru.com</u>, Twitter and Facebook
- Participate in news conferences as needed
- Work with GM to keep local officials informed



## During the Storm

- Activate pre-recorded TV and radio spots
- Update <a href="www.gru.com">www.gru.com</a>, Twitter and Facebook
- Participate in news conferences as needed/ update news media
- Information collected, documented and distributed
- Update employees
- Work with GM to keep local officials informed



## After the Storm (restoration)

- Activate pre-recorded TV and radio spots
- Assist all departments in communicating with customers and employees as needed
- Participate in or arrange news conferences to report damage, restoration efforts and timing
- Update <u>www.gru.com</u>, Twitter and Facebook
- Update employees
- Work with GM to keep public officials informed



# After the Storm (return to normal)

Evaluate



# Questions?

