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ElectroMagnetic Pulse Special Interest Group

The EMP SIG addresses any high-impact low-frequency threat that could cause long-term nationwide collapse of critical infrastructure. These threats include EMP, extreme space weather, cyber attacks, coordinated physical attacks or widespread pandemics. The EMP SIG provides trusted communications and information for InfraGard members active in any critical infrastructure in any community to enhance planning, mitigation and sustainable infrastructure. The EMP SIG continues to attract leading subject matter experts who have agreed to make themselves available for local InfraGard chapters that may need their special guidance.

The ultimate goal of the national EMP SIG is to assist local communities to enhance their own sustainability with a special emphasis on developing local infrastructure capacity from areas as diverse as local power generation and storage to local food production. Liaison panels are forming across various infrastructure silos to foster discussion and action across subject matter specialities and community organizations.

The EMP SIG co-sponsored the first comprehensive contingency planning exercises for nationwide impact of severe space weather at the National Defense University and shared this information in public policy panels at the Dupont Summit of the Policy Studies Organization in Washington, DC in 2011. For upcoming events and more information see the EMP SIG section of the National InfraGard secure website or contact the EMP SIG Chair, Chuck Manto, at cmanto@stop-EMP.com.

InfraGard's EMP SIG plans to continue its role in fostering public/private cooperation in a comprehensive "all-of-nation" approach to disaster mitigation and planning. InfraGard members may join the EMP SIG on the InfraGard secure website. To join InfraGard and have access to the secure site, apply on the home page of www.InfraGard.net.



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