

# Deer Park CAC

## November 28, 2016

EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DURING A  
HAZARDOUS CHEMICAL INCIDENT

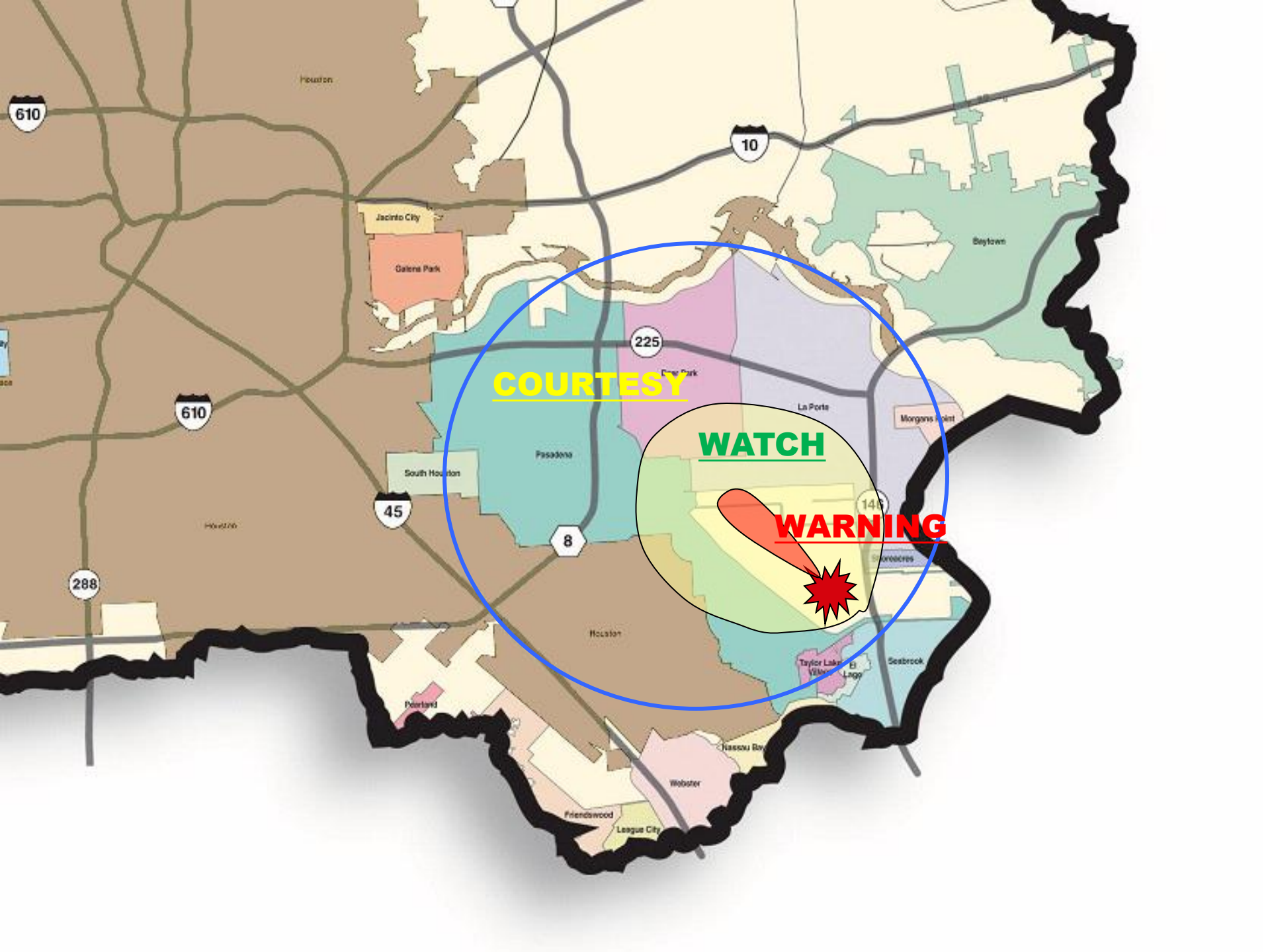
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# Questions from CAC

- What are the Community Emergency Communications (CEC) Protocols, and what is their purpose?
- How do plants notify the city of a significant industrial event?
- How does the city warn the community, if needed?
- Who determines what the warning systems in Deer Park are?

# Community Emergency Communications (CEC) Protocols

- EHCMA/Public initiative begun in 2004
- A collaborative approach to quick, clear, consistent communications between Industry, Responsible Agencies, and their Communities at the beginning, during, and following incidents
- Does NOT replace regulatory notifications
- Focused on (but not limited to) *facility* incidents
- EHCMA established 15 minutes as timeframe



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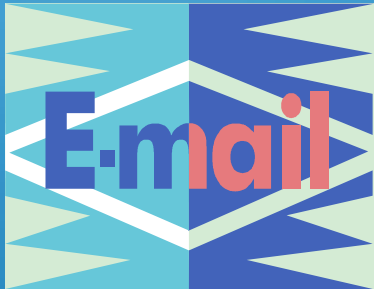
# CEC Protocols - Definitions

- Level 1
  - May be an emergency or non-emergency incident, but will be confined inside a facility's boundaries
  - Will not adversely affect the community, but may be noticeable to community
- Level 2
  - Has potential to cross a facility's boundaries and may adversely affect or inconvenience the community
  - Uncontrolled incident that has the potential to escalate or expand to outside the facility
- Level 3
  - Extends beyond the facility's boundaries and has impacted or will impact the community
  - Does NOT specify how significant the impact...a minimal or inconsequential off-site impact is a Level 3

# Plant Notifications to City

- E-Notify
  - Electronic notification system directly into the Dispatch/Communications Center
  - Also used in other area LEPC's and Dispatch Centers
  - Adopted by the Deer Park LEPC as "official" notification procedure
  - 15-minute timeframe
- 9-1-1
  - Immediate notification
  - Catastrophic failure or incident (power outage, explosion, need emergency response, etc.)

# City Warnings to the Community



# What Warning Systems?





# QUESTIONS

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