

Bob Williamson: SCE&G's top priority at VC Summer nuclear station is, and always will be, protection of public health and safety.

( through the trees there is a nuclear power station situated on a lake )

Bob Williamson: One of the ways we ensure public safety is through the maintenance of our emergency response plan, which was developed in accordance with federal requirements by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and other oversight agencies.

( employee sitting at a monitoring station )

Bob Williamson: SCE&G conducts multiple emergency response drills each year to validate this plan. In addition to internal response drills, VC Summer's drills are independently evaluated every two years by the Nuclear Regulatory Commission and the Federal Emergency Management Agency.

( crews check the emergency equipment )

Bob Williamson: Our emergency equipment is also tested on a regular basis to make sure it is in proper working order. This includes tests for siren warning systems. If you hear our sirens sound without notice, you should turn to the radio and television for instructions on what to do. Listen for this sound...

[loud siren blaring]

( a siren sits atop a tall utility pole and spins around as it sounds )

Bob Williamson: As a joint effort between SCE&G and governmental agencies, we also provide information annually to residents near the plant on what to do in the highly unlikely event of an emergency. In the unlikely event of an emergency, state and local officials may ask residents to take preventive or protective actions such as staying indoors or evacuating.

As with any emergency, having your own plan for you and your family is key. You can visit the safety and preparedness section at SCE&G's website for more information on emergency and nuclear preparedness and resources to help you develop your own plan.

( through a dogwood tree the nuclear plant can be seen across the lake )

VC Summer's emergency plan is in a state of continuous improvement which helps to make our safe plant even safer.