



## Los Angeles County Operational Area Disaster Communications Service

### After Action Report (AAR)

**District:** 17 - Lomita

**Date:** 10-30-2009

**Activity:** The Great California ShakeOut 2009

**Date of Event:** 10-15-2009

**Time:** 1015

**To Date:** 10-15-2009

**Time:** 1215

**Number of DCS Members:** 15

**Hours:** 37

**Please Attach A Copy of the Sign-In Sheet**

**DCS Incident Commander:** Diana Feinberg, T-001

**Net Control Operator(s):** Diana Feinberg, T-001; Robert Closson, T-022

**DCS Safety Officer(s):** Diana Feinberg, T-001

Unit I.D.

**Command Post Location / Address:** LASD station--Lomita

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**Purpose of Activity:** Communication support for County and local response to a simulated "major" earthquake

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**Who Requested DCS? Name:** Herb Stark

**Agency:** Rancho Palos Verdes  
PVAN

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**Overview of the Event / How Was DCS Used:** Activation of Lomita Sheriff's station DCS room, message handling between local public agencies/EOCs, Lomita Sheriff's station EOC, and County EOC.

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**Suggestions / Issues:** Our main focus in this year's drill was simulating the "ramp-up" period when activation starts and DCS staffing may be thin initially, but radio traffic might be heavy with initial reports. We tested the limits of how many frequencies one and two operators could manage simultaneously in the Lomita station DCS room. In a "major" earthquake, a District 17 activation will definitely require at least four operators in the DCS room. After this year's drill, we also considered improvements for handling the paper flow of messages within the Sheriff's station.

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**Equipment / Modes of Communications Used:** HT's and mobile radios using two 2-meter repeaters (K6CPT and W6TRW); 220 simplex; and two 440 repeaters (Rolling Hills and PV-West).

**Other Agencies Involved:** Palos Verdes Peninsula Unified School District, Palos Verdes Library District, Rancho Palos Verdes EOC/PVAN, Rolling Hills Estates EOC, Torrance EOC/TARA, Little Company of Mary Hospital (Torrance campus)

**Prepared By:** Diana Feinberg, T-001

**Date:** 10-30-2009

**Approvals:**

**DCO:** Diana Feinberg, T-001

**Date:** 10-30-2009

**Executive Staff Officer Approvals:**

**Staff**  10,  11 or  12:

**Date:**

**Staff**  1 or  2:

**Date:**

**After Action Reports are to be submitted to the Executive Staff no later than 10 working days after the Event / Incident**