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Calvert County Division of Emergency Management to Test Alert and Notification System Sirens Jan. 3, 2017

PRINCE FREDERICK, Md. – Dec. 28, 2016 – The Calvert County Department of Public Safety Division of Emergency Management, the Maryland Emergency Management Agency and St. Mary’s and Dorchester counties’ emergency management divisions will conduct a full-cycle test of the alert and notification sirens throughout the three counties Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2017, at noon.

The full-cycle test includes a three-minute activation of all sirens within the 10-mile area around Calvert Cliffs Nuclear Power Plant. All citizens are asked to remember the scheduled testing and relay the information to friends, family and neighbors.

The testing is conducted to check siren operation and increase public awareness of the alert and notification siren system. If the sirens sound at any other time, residents should tune to one of the local radio stations listed below for information and instructions.

Emergency Alert System stations include:

WPTX 1690 AM Lexington Park	WMDM 97.7 FM Lexington Park	WTOP 103.5 FM Washington, D.C.
WKIK 1560 AM La Plata	WKIK 102.9 FM California	WPRS 104.1 FM Waldorf
WSMD 98.3 FM Mechanicsville	WNNT 100.9 FM Warsaw	WGOP 540 AM Pocomoke
WCEM 1240 AM Cambridge	WCEM 106.3 FM Cambridge	WCEI 96.7 FM Easton
WRAR 105.5 FM Tappahannock	WKHZ 1460 AM Easton	

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Residents are also encouraged to stay informed and prepared in the event of an emergency by downloading the “Prepare Me Calvert” app for iOS (Apple) and Android devices for free through the Apple App Store or the Google Play market. Residents can also sign up for Calvert County ALERT to receive timely information about various emergency and non-emergency situations in the county. Calvert County ALERT messages can be sent by a variety of methods including cell phone, landline, email, text messaging, fax, pager and more. Sign up for Calvert County ALERT online at www.co.cal.md.us and click on the Emergency Alerts button. Those without internet can contact the Calvert County Division of Emergency Management at 410-535-1600, ext. 2638, to sign up or for additional emergency preparedness information.

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