**ERCOT 2011 Severe Weather Drill**

**(Recommendations for In-House Drill Activity for QSEs)**

1. **Test backup communications**
2. **Verify the readiness of each plant – Delay non-essential maintenance**
3. **Make preparations for alternate fuel – circulate Fuel Oil, test fuel oil burn, fuel switching, etc**
4. **Simulate Gas Supply Interruption (Force Majeure) and/or fuel switching (notifying ERCOT, accordingly)**
5. **Simulate Plant Outage due to loss of a transmission line**
6. **Coordinate a transmission outage with the TO prior to drill date**
7. **Simulate loss and/or reduction of load – Revise Load Schedules**
8. **Simulate COP updates**
9. **Simulate RUC units**
10. **Simulate Hydro operation for flood anticipation (LCRA, Brazos Electric and possibly STEC)**
11. **Simulate Constant Frequency Operations**
12. **Simulate loss of telecommunications system**
13. **Involve support groups, such as Communications, IT, Engineering**
14. **Include Load Resource customers in Drill activity**