

## Theme 2. Telehealth and Communication Technologies in Health

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### Emergency Planning for BC Gas, British Columbia, Canada

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BC Gas is a shareholder owned energy company that provides natural gas to approximately 80% of the Province of British Columbia and other utility-related services on an international basis. This presentation will review the hazards as well as the emergency and disaster preparedness programs developed to assist our customers, and employees, and to mitigate damage to facilities.

**Keywords:** damage; energy; gas; hazards; natural; plans; preparedness; utilities

### Disaster Preparedness Activities Undertaken by BC Hydro

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BC Hydro provides electricity service to approximately 95% of the population of British Columbia. This presentation will describe disaster preparedness activities undertaken by BC Hydro to minimize life safety and property damage impacts and restore electricity services as quickly as possible following a disastrous event. Topics will include hazards that could disrupt electricity service, mitigation measures to reduce the impacts of these hazards, and response and recovery planning issues.

**Keywords:** damage; disaster; electricity; infrastructure; planning; preparedness; response; safety; utilities