



**SOUTH AFRICAN NUCLEAR ENERGY CORPORATION (Necsa)**

**NNR MOCK EMERGENCY EXERCISE**

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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At approximately 11:55 a general site emergency was declared at the South African Nuclear Energy Corporation (Necsa) due to a release of radio active Iodine from Safari Reactor to the environment due to a cooling water problem in the reactor.

All evacuation must be conducted in a northwardly direction to Schoemansville. South to Sandton is unaffected at this point.

Off-site evacuation has occurred and road blocks have been established on all roads leading to the area. KIO3 tablets will be issued to affected people. At this point, two Necsa employees have been injured and transported to the Necsa medical station for treatment where decontamination has taken place.

Necsa has established an interim road block measure, until Madibeng has established roadblocks east and west to prevent the public from traveling through the affected area.

Measures that were put in place are as follows:

- Communities around Necsa were informed through Radio Jacaranda.
- The emergency agreement with the local authorities at Madibeng was implemented for purposes of traffic control and the police were informed.
- The ground shouts and automatic dialing systems were activated to inform people in the affected areas.

At 13:26 the emergency escalated to a level beyond our emergency control zone. The National Disaster Organisation has been notified to assist in the control of the area beyond our borders.

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