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MidAmerican Energy Distributes Active Shooter Response Brochure

The active shooter, a person engaged in killing as many as possible, is one of the growing hazards we face in schools and workplaces. MidAmerican Energy has developed and distributed a brochure with guidelines on reacting to an active shooter. In a memo to employees Russ White, vice president-general services, explains, "While there has been no occurrence in our company, we recognize that prevention and preparation are our best courses of action."



The guidelines are based on information from the U.S. Department of Homeland Security. Tips cover basics such as:

- **Lockdown:** If possible go to a securable room, turn off the lights and cell phones and be as quiet as possible.
- **Evacuate:** Leave belongings behind, leave hands visible and follow all directions if you encounter law enforcement.
- **Hide out:** Barricade doors that can't be locked; get out of the shooter's view and be quiet.
- **As a last resort, take action and disrupt or incapacitate the shooter.**

The brochure explains that police will make an entry and officers will go directly to where shots were last fired in order to stop the shooter and gain control of the scene as quickly as possible.

For a copy of the brochure visit the Safeguard Iowa Partnership website: www.SafeguardIowa.org.

The Safeguard Iowa Partnership is a voluntary coalition of the state's business and government leaders, who share a commitment to working together to prevent, prepare for, respond to, and recover from catastrophic events in Iowa.