

**HEALTH AND SAFETY**

Figure 6. Sample PAR Form

(Sample PAR)

Protective Action Recommendation

For

Major Accident \_\_\_\_\_ at (location \_\_\_\_\_ )

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Problem. An accident involving a propane truck and two Safe Secure Trailer (T1 and T2) vehicles carrying \_\_\_\_\_ (type) \_\_\_\_\_ nuclear weapons occurred at (time, date, and location). The propane truck sideswiped T1 and collided with T2. A fire erupted causing the propane truck to explode. Shortly afterwards, the weapon in T2 experienced a conventional high explosive detonation, resulting in widespread contamination. The T1 vehicle sustained damage and skidded into a ditch, preventing access through its doors to the stored weapon inside.

Discussion. Actions to gain access into T1 and remove the weapon have been hampered. It is still possible, though highly improbable, that a second explosion might occur during access and removal of the weapon in T1. In the unlikely event of an explosion, debris might be thrown 2,500 feet with additional contamination released. As a result, an evacuation of (outline the specific area) has been ordered by the (civilian authority office).

Action. With the possibility of an explosion during access and removal operations involving the weapon in T1, the following area shall be evacuated. (Indicate the specific area to be vacated and a schedule indicating evacuation start, completion, verification of evacuation, work start, work completion, and return to the area). All personnel are required to sign in at a specific location(s) during evacuation to help local law enforcement and/or response force personnel verify that all personnel are out of the area before access and removal procedures begin. A holding area, for example, a gymnasium or school, may be a temporary area for evacuees. Also, the evacuees might be released for shopping or other activities outside the area. Once access and removal procedures are completed, the civil authorities shall determine when evacuees may return to their houses and/or businesses, if outside the contaminated area.

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