



Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
August 22, 2016

Minutes

Attendees List: Please see attached.

Location: Adams County Government Center, Platte River “D” Conference Center Rm.

*We would like to thank **Rebecca Broussard** and **Lori Reed** with EPA Region VIII for giving their presentation.*

*We would also like to thank **Dawn Riggs** with Adams County OEM for handling the logistics for our lunch during the meeting.*

Call Meeting to Order / Introductions ~ Abel Montoya

The meeting was called to order by Abel Montoya at 11:00 a.m., and was followed by introductions of attendees.

Approval of April Meeting Minutes ~ Abel Montoya

A motion to approve the June 27th meeting minutes was made by Karl Smalley and a 2nd by Anjanette Hawkins. The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

Legislative / Regulatory Update ~ Richard Atkins

On March 31st, HB16-1046 became effective. This bill is related to the response to a hazardous substance incident and the ability to enter into agreement with a private entity. HB16-1088, dated June 2016, allows fire and emergency services to charge impact fees from new development within their jurisdiction.

Continuing Business ~ Richard Atkins

The major goals that the LEPC developed a few years ago are listed below. The question moving forward is what do we want to get out of these LEPC meetings aside from networking? What projects would you like for the LEPC to do next year? Please provide your feedback on these questions to Richard.

- a. Hazard Vulnerability Assessment Update – Richard will be contacting the next couple of facilities on the LEPC’s Hazard Vulnerability List to schedule their emergency preparedness plan presentations for a future LEPC meeting this fall. Veolia North America will host the next meeting and present information concerning their emergency response plan.

- b. ESF 10 Annex (Hazardous Material Response Plan) Update – The Hazmat Response Plan has been distributed to members of the LEPC and several minor changes have been received. The final document with changes will be sent out later this week for final inclusion to the plan.
- c. Public Education & Outreach – The brochure project has been completed but no actual outreach to groups, schools, etc. has been done. It was recommended to form a sub-committee to look at opportunities for education and outreach to the public.
- d. 2015 Tier II Submit Update – There were fewer submittals received this year than last. Additional reminders will be sent out to those facilities that didn't submit for 2015. The map coordinates in the records were more accurate than was reported last year. Richard hopes to submit the Tier2 reports to fire districts within the next 2 weeks. The fire district/dept information in the submittals was still lacking in the data. The 2016 Submittal software will require that the fire district/dept field be filled in, which will hopefully fix this problem.
- e. Facility Emergency Planning – The new Adams County Oil and Gas Permitting Process requires facilities submit their Emergency Action Plans to the LEPC the local fire district/dept. for review and approval. Specific information is required in these plans. Richard has been developing a template which will be available to the facilities for guidance. Please review the draft template and send any comments or suggestions for change to Richard.
- f. Spill Reporting Update – There were 17 chemical spills reported since the June LEPC meeting. There were 6 transportation type spills (traffic accidents or operator error), 4 water related (1 potable, 2 reclaimed water & 1 chlorinated water), 2 septic/sewage releases, 1 sulfur dioxide release reported from Suncor, and 4 oil & gas contaminated soil (historical spills) reported. All spills are investigated by CDPHE, TCHD, Adams County and/or the municipality that they occur in.

Chris Simmons, the Adams County Oil & Gas Liaison, introduced himself. He previously lived and worked in New Mexico before coming recently to Adams County. He is meeting with Oil & Gas companies as with some of the community activists against oil and gas development as he becomes settled into his new position.

Old Business:

A copy of the current Adams County LEPC By-Laws was recently sent to the members/group for review for updates. The LEPC Chair is looking additional members for a subcommittee to draft an updated LEPC By-Laws. Let Richard know if you are interested.

Presentation ~ Rebecca Broussard and Lori Reed with EPA Region VIII:

“Updates to EPCRA, RMP, and Changes for Anhydrous Ammonia”

Tier2 Changes

Several significant changes are planned for 2018. Tier2 Submit for 2016 has minimal changes:

- One-stop reporting will continue (to CDPHE) – March 2017 due date;
- LEPCs & fire districts/depts. can request copies of Tier2 reports be submitted directly to them;
- Fire districts/depts. will be required to be listed on the report as a required field;
- Company name that owns the facility will be required to be listed;

- Attachment file names will be limited to 20 characters (CAMEO requirement); and,
- More stringent proof that a facility has limited computer access before allowing manual submittals.

Risk Management Modernization Rule

- Executive Order (EO) 13650 – Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security, is a result of catastrophic chemical facility incidents in the US;
- 4 main areas of emphasis – final rulemaking is in progress;
- 3 different program levels based on risk to the public and on-site inventory. Program Level 2 and Program Level 3 (highest level) must complete a compliance audit and submit a Risk Management Plan (RMP) every 5 years. They must also coordinate with LEPC/emergency responders annually and document this coordination;
- Additional resources and information is available if you Google “EPA RMP”.

Anhydrous Ammonia Update

- Anhydrous Ammonia retail facilities are now subject to the Process Safety Management (PSM) Standard. They have not been required to submit a Tier2 report in the past as they were exempt. EPA to start enforcing April 1, 2017 if this becomes a Rule in October 2016.

New Business:

If you are interested in joining the Public Outreach and/or the LEPC By-Laws subcommittees, let Richard know.

Additional Announcements:

Both Suncor and Sinclair Oil announced that they will each be having boom training sessions and exercises in August/September to simulate hazardous material spills into the South Platte River and then deploying booms on the river. Suncor Oil’s dates are August 22 & 23 and Sinclair Oil will be in September. The locations will be in the area of 104th and 120th Avenue on the South Platte River. Please contact the respective facilities for more information.

The next meeting will be on Monday, October 24th from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at Veolia North America in their facility at 9131 East 96th St. in Henderson, CO. The December meeting is currently scheduled for December 19th but has been rescheduled for December 12th due to the holidays.

Adjourn ~ Abel Montoya:

The meeting was adjourned at 12:38 p.m.

Meeting minutes respectfully submitted by Deanne Kelly, Tri-County Health Department, LEPC Secretary.