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Champaign County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)
Annual Report 2014

The mission of the Champaign County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is to fulfill the requirements of the federal regulations regarding Title III of the Superfund Amendment and Reauthorization Act (SARA) of 1986 and to address the public safety concerns of industry and the community regarding hazardous materials. The LEPC is the local body that handles county emergency planning and community right-to-know reporting on hazardous and toxic chemicals.

The Champaign County LEPC is comprised of 26 members from County and City Departments, industry representatives, and community members. Within Champaign County there are 130 Tier II facilities, including 89 extreme hazard facilities. Champaign County LEPC documents to include reports, facility information, and hazard information are under the supervision of the Champaign County Emergency Management Agency.

The enclosed Annual Report has been developed to provide LEPC members, County Commissioners, and the citizens of Champaign County with a status update on the progress of the LEPC during the year 2014. The LEPC members look forward to an even more productive year in 2015, one in which community, business, industry, government and the citizenry can all benefit from an evolving partnership in hazardous materials safety.

Respectfully submitted

John Dwyer,

LEPC Chairman

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# **MISSION STATEMENT**

The LEPC shall exist to serve as a community forum for issues relating to preparedness for emergencies involving hazardous substances within Champaign County.

#### PURPOSE AND FUNCTION

The functions and duties of the LEPC are those outlined by the Illinois Emergency Management Agency, in accordance with, but not necessarily limited to the provisions of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986. More specifically the LEPC shall engage in at least the following activities:

- 1. Conduct regular meetings to address all pertinent issues
- 2. Maintain a county-wide master inventory of hazardous materials regulated by State and Federal governments as regulated by SARA Title III.
- 3. Develop and update a Hazardous Material Emergency Response Plan as defined by SARA Title III, Section 303[42 U.S.C. 11003] Comprehensive Emergency Response Plans.
- 4. Identify private/public sector resources available to assist with hazardous material emergencies.
- 5. Review, process and respond to public requests of information.
- 6. Review, maintain and process all appropriate reports and records, as required by law.
- 7. Provide information on training programs related to hazardous material safety and emergency response procedures.
- 8. Coordinate emergency response exercises.
- 9. Provide expertise and assistance to industries and business upon request.
- 10. Provide community "out-reach" services on all hazards safety.
- 11. Research and disseminate emerging legislation relating to hazardous.

It is not and never has been the intent of the LEPC to be a local regulatory, enforcement, permitting, or policy making body or agency. Further, the LEPC shall not be placed in a position to interfere with the permitting process of the State of Illinois.

# **EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE**

**Executive Committee (Elected Officers)** - The executive committee will comprise of the Chairperson, Vice-Chairperson, and Secretary; nominated and elected by members of the LEPC.

Chairperson - John Dwyer, Champaign County Emergency Management Agency Coordinator

Vice Chairperson - Bill James, Champaign County Emergency Management Agency Deputy Coordinator

Secretary - Jamie Davis, American Red Cross Disaster Services Coordinator

# **2014 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

Throughout the 2014 year, the LEPC membership was steady and the committee remains a viable, functioning committee meeting at minimum quarterly. The committee has great attendance from a broad range of partners to include: law enforcement, industry, public health, healthcare/EMS, college/university, fire, elected officials and emergency management. The biggest highlight for the committee this year is the LEPC began work with the Champaign County Regional Planning Committee (RPC) for a County wide commodity flow study. A special LEPC meeting was held in March to support the idea and designate certain LEPC members for a steering committee for the project. The project will be completed sometime in 2015. Finally, the Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) grant was applied for and awarded.

Training and learning opportunities were made available to all committee members throughout the year. All committee members were required to complete the Open Meetings Act training as required by State law. The LEPC was able to fund one person to attend the 24<sup>th</sup> Midwest Hazardous Materials Response Conference in April. The LEPC representative provided a lot of information on industry topics, the use of social media and hazmat signage. The Chairman of the LEPC attended the Illinois Emergency Service Management Association (IESMA) conference. Topics at the IESMA conference included hazmat shipping, hazmat response tier 2 updates. Multiple committee members attended the IEMA conference in September of 2014 held in Springfield; topics included flow studies, Bakken crude transportation, and the West Texas Fertilizer Plant explosion. Multiple Pipeline trainings were attended by members and first responders throughout the year.

The LEPC revised and updated the county hazardous materials annex. Also, tier II data was continued to update into CAMEO to better use the data for planning and response. Tier II map data was

shared in a google earth files to the local first responder community for pre-planning and response.

Discussion of response and recovery to incidents occur at LEPC meetings regularly as applicable.

## **2015 GOALS**

The LEPC looks forward to continuing on its path of growth, community safety and community outreach in the 2014 year. The Champaign County Emergency Management Agency will be submitting the HMEP Grant reapplication in 2015 to obtain funding to support the mission of the LEPC. It is the goal of the committee that during the 2015 year, it will continue to hold regular quarterly meetings and create subcommittees, as deemed appropriate by the committee. The LEPC will continue to offer training and learning opportunities for the LEPC members,

It is the goal of the LEPC that it will be able to continue the creation of and update existing site specific plans, continue to integrate CAMEO into emergency management planning, and to complete the process of conducting a commodity flow study within the county, and to identify further training opportunities that would be beneficial to members of the LEPC. Further, the LEPC will continue to strive to fulfill its mission to serve as a community forum for issues relating to preparedness for emergencies involving hazardous substances within Champaign County.

# 2014 QUARTERLY/Special MEETING MINUTES

#### **Champaign County**

# Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Minutes

Location: ILEAS Classroom 1

1701 E. Main St.

Urbana, IL 61802

Tuesday, January 28, 2014 – 10:30am

#### Welcome and Introductions

(List of attendees are attached)

Chairperson John Dwyer called the meeting to order at 10:37am.

Approval of minutes from the October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting Minutes from the October 28<sup>th</sup>, 2013 meeting were approved.

## Discussion on 2013-14 Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HEMP) grant

We are still waiting on confirmation of the grant. The grant will be around \$2,000 and that will go towards conferences and trainings.

# <u>Discussion on Hazardous Materials Annex and Commodity Flow Study for Champaign County- work in progress, where we are and what we need</u>

EMA is working with the Champaign Regional Planning Commission (RPC) about a grant to conduct a commodity flow study. Also, the draft hazardous materials annex was discussed and provided to members prior to the meeting. A few members provided inputs on the document to include minor corrections. It was noted the annex was a big improvement on the previous document. The annex will be updated with the commodity flow study information when it becomes available in the future.

## 2014 Meeting Schedule

The 2014 meeting dates are as follows:
April 29, 2014
July 29, 2014
October 29, 2014
Dates were approved by the committee.

## Wrap up and Open Discussion

A discussion on new apps for devices such as I Auditor, which helps with safety and is a checklist as well, was brought up to the committee by Pat Titus. The Global Harmonized System (GHS) is going well for reporting chemicals according to Tier II reporting facilities. It was brought to attention of the committee that CCEMA will be notaries.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 10:53 am

Next Meeting: Scheduled for January 29, 2014

Reminder: If you have not done so please complete the Open Meetings Act training at http://foia.ilattorneygeneral.net/Default.aspx

#### **Attendance List:**

Bill James, CC EMA

John Dwyer, CC EMA

Peter Ashbrook, U of Illinois

Susan Monte, CCRPC

Mike McCormick, Conair

Symantha Aydt, U of I

Jackie Christensen, UCSD

Rodney Nonmen, CROP Production Services

Mark Newton, Union Pacific

Al Kurtz, CCB

Bruce Ricketts, Presence EMS

Steve Peters, Carle Foundation Hospital

Carol Vorel, WDWS - WHMS - WKIO

John Carlson, Parkland

Pat Titus, Illini FS

Todd Hitt, Champaign Fire/EMA

Jonathon Manuel, Champaign County SWCD

Shane Cook, CCSO

FBI- Champaign Rep

M Sharif Ullah, CCRPC

Brad Ingram, CN Railroad

Brian Nightlinger, UFD

Iris Ducey, IEMA

Sherry Wooten, UIPD/EMA

Danny Russell, Rantoul ESDA

Mike Schroder, CUPHD

# Champaign County Local Planning Committee (LEPC) Special Meeting Agenda

March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2014

Location ILEAS Boardroom 1701 E. Main St. Urbana, IL 61802 Time: 10:38 AM

#### Welcome and Purpose

(List of attendees are attached)

Chairperson John Dwyer called the meeting to order at 10:38 AM.

<u>Discussion on Champaign County Regional Planning Commission Scope of Services for the Hazardous</u>

Materials and Commodity Flow Study (HMCFS) for Champaign County

CCRPC received a grant through IDOT to conduct the flow study. The plan is to set cameras at major roads and intersections to track trucks that travel through the county. This study will show how and what hazardous material is transported through Champaign County. This will identify the routes it takes and will help with better preparing for incidents. This project will take about a year to complete. In the near future it is possible to take the information they find and make a push for Hazardous Material Routs for the county.

#### **Open Discussion**

The committee was supportive of the idea. Few questions were brought up such as what intersections these cameras will be put at. Pat Titus brought up the point if it was possible to use the traffic cameras to track hazardous materials. The traffic cameras would not be able to see the plaque on the truck.

#### Designate Steering Committee Members for the Study

Bill James, Mike McCormick, Rusty Chism, Pat Titus, and Symantha Aydt are the committee.

#### <u>Adjournment</u>

The meeting was adjourned at 11:16 am Next Meeting: Scheduled for April 29, 2014

#### **Attendance List:**

John Dwyer, CCEMA

Bruce Ricketts, Presence EMS

Bill James, CCEMA

Jonathon Manuel, Champaign County SWCD

Pat Titus, Illini FS

Peter Ashbrook, University of Illinois

John Carlson, Parkland

Mike McCormick, Conair Cooperation

Sherry Wooten, UIPD

Symantha Aydt, U of I

Jamie Davis, ARC

Rusty Chism, UFD

Sharif Ullah, CUUATS

Rita Horocoima- Black, CUUATS

#### **Champaign County**

## Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Minutes

Location: ILEAS Board Room

1701 E. Main St.

Urbana, IL 61802

Tuesday, April 29th, 2014 - 10:30am

#### Welcome and Introductions

(List of attendees are attached)

Chairperson John Dwyer called the meeting to order at 10:30am.

# Approval of minutes from the January 28th and March 18th Meetings

Minutes from the meetings were approved.

#### Discussion on Commodity Flow Study

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC) received grant through IDOT and Commodity Flow Study approved. They are currently interviewing interns to conduct road surveys this summer. Traffic and Public Works camera are not suitable for data collection. Railroad data from the three railroads that service the county has been received. No surprises in the reports, main hazards are flammable liquids, gases and corrosives. Urbana and Champaign do not have designated HazMat routes. We have been able to plot various hazmat spills since 1990 and this will be incorporated in the study.

# Discussion on Midwest Emergency Preparedness & Response Conference

Bill James attended the conference, mainly industry was theme. There were discussions on Tier II Forms and reporting requirements for local businesses. A presentation on use of Social Media during local disasters, stressed use of Twitter/Facebook/YouTube as make or break during emergency: Example: Oceanic airline crash. Single person took pic and tweeted and became the expert on the crash for 8 hours. Utilize a Flow Chart to get information out, interactive method. Validate or Correct current info immediately. Single Twitter accounts can handle 1000 tweets/day. Do not retweet same thing over and over, people start to ignore. Other topics covered

Placards and Compressed gas issues. CCRPC advised that Champaign County RPC does not allow access to those

social media outlets.

Officer Positions

Bill James is the new Vice Chair for LEPC. Jamie Davis retains Secretary duties. John Dwyer retains Chairmanship

of Committee

Wrap up and Open Discussion

Brad Ingram from Canadian Nation posed a reminder that this is Rail Safety week. He reviewed school contest

winner poster for PR and to put in office. He talked about pamphlet available for distribution for rail safety. CN

Police - Rail information pocket guide was provided by L. Jamieson to be used by first responders to aid in

response to rail accidents. CN would like to participate and assist in a Table Top exercise, possibly prior to an

actual functional or full scale exercise. Keith Erickson from the University suggested an exercise scenario in their

area due to population and situation.

**Adjournment** 

The meeting was adjourned at 10:55 am

Next Meeting: Scheduled for July 29, 2014

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**Attendance List:** 

Bill James, CC EMA

John Dwyer, CC EMA

Peter Ashbrook, University of Illinois

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Keith Erickson, University of Illinois

Symantha Aydt, U of I

Jackie Christensen, UCSD

Steve Peters, Carle Foundation Hospital

Carol Vorel, WDWS - WHMS - WKIO

Todd Hitt, Champaign Fire/ EMA

M Sharif Ullah, CCRPC

Brad Ingram, CN Railroad

L. Jamieson, CN Railroad

Rusty Chism, UFD

Sherry Wooten, UIPD/EMA

Danny Russell, Rantoul ESDA

Jane Li, CUPHD

Mike Shroeder, CUPHD

Iris Ducey, IEMA

Adam Shanks, CU MTD

# Champaign County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Meeting Agenda

July 29th, 2014

I. Welcome and Introductions

Meeting was called to order at 10:31

Welcome and introduction of attendees.

II. Review and approval of minutes from the April 29th meeting

Meeting minutes from 29 April reviewed and approved. (may not have sufficient #)

III. Discussion on Commodity Flow Study for Champaign County

Update on flow study provided-cameras have been tested and has limited capability on the lesser used roads. This data can be used. Use on larger/faster roads is not possible due to limitations of the equipment and ability to see and read the DOT signs on multiple lanes of traffic. Intern counters will still be required.

IV. Trip report on the Illinois Emergency Services Management Association (IESMA) Conference

Winnebago Conference-Conference Notes available to anyone that would like them.

- A Day In The Life of Shipping Hazardous Chemicals Dale Wolf
- Building Bridges in Criminal Justice Lurese Gillespie
- Hazmat Response Case Studies and Community Synergy Dave Peterson
- Managing Hazardous Materials at Manufacturing and Industrial Facilities and Preparing for Transportation - Kirk Bergstrom
- The Evolution of Social Media and Disasters From The Joplin Tornado To Hurricane Sandy and Beyond Suzanne Bernier
- Tier 2 Updates Lori Canterbury
- Transportation Related Hazmat Incidents Who's On First, What's On Second; A Federal Regulatory Overview - Jim Meason
- WND and First Responders Steffan Nass
- Working with Hazmat Response Risk Models Dave Peterson

Conference highlight was the focus on social media, the need to use, monitor and track activities occurring here and being capable of countering any mis-information. The Evolution of Social Media and Disasters - From The Joplin Tornado To Hurricane Sandy and Beyond - Suzanne Bernier

V. Wrap up and Open Discussion

No additional discussions.

VI. Adjournment

Meeting was adjourned at 10:45

Attendees

Bill James, CC EMA

Steve Peters, Carle Foundation Hospital

Jane Li, CUPHD

Rusty Chism, UFD

Mike McCormick, Conair Corp

Shane Cook, CCSO

Jimmy Gonzales, Supervalu

Carol Vorel, WDWS - WHMS - WKIO

Iris Ducey, IEMA

Mike Shroeder, CUPHD

Sherry Wooten, UIPD/EMA

Jackie Christiansen, UCSD

Local FBI Rep

David Scherer, University of Illinois

#### **Champaign County**

#### Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) Minutes

Location: ILEAS Board Room

1701 E. Main St.

Urbana, IL 61802

Tuesday, October 28th, 2014 - 10:30am

#### Welcome and Introductions

(List of attendees are attached)

Chairperson John Dwyer called the meeting to order at 10:31am.

# Approval of minutes from the April 29<sup>th</sup> and July 29<sup>th</sup> Meetings

Minutes from the meetings were approved. Motion to approve, Al Kurtz, 2<sup>nd</sup> Todd Hitt

#### Guest, Lori Canterbury, IEMA Tier II Manager

Lori Canterbury discussed the tier manager website and how company information is stored. Tier II data is used by CCEMA by importing the files into the CAMEO program. CAMEO helps first responders with identifying facilities and their chemicals. CCEMA has shared a data file to responders with google earth file that has facility locations and chemical inventories for the county. MDSS forms are being redesigned by 01-2016-16 point questionnaire so more information will be pulled into tier II rather that in being voluntary. An emergency release factsheet was passed out.

#### Discussion on Commodity Flow Study

Champaign County Regional Planning Commission (CCRPC), Shariff Ullah, gave an update on the Commodity Flow Study. Seven routes have been monitored for traffic data for identifying what chemicals are being transported on those routes through placard identification. CCRPC is also looking at facility and spill data that is available. Railroad rail data is also being analyzed. Draft report should be forthcoming around the end of year.

#### Trip Report on the Illinois Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) Conference

John Dwyer attended the conference. There were discussions/session on Bakken Crude, the West Texas Fertilizer plant explosion, and a commodity flow session. Notifications to county have be made as to the frequency of bakken crude oil transport as far as the number of trains carrying over one million gallons of oil per week.

#### Wrap up and Open Discussion

The 2015 schedule was discussed and approved. Dates are January 27<sup>th</sup>, May 26<sup>th</sup>, August 25<sup>th</sup> and November 24<sup>th</sup>.

#### Adjournment

The meeting was adjourned at 11:25 am

Next Meeting: Scheduled for January 27, 2015

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Danny Russell, Rantoul ESDA

John Carlson, Parkland College

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Iris Ducey, IEMA

Dan Smith, IEMA

Lori Canterbury, IEMA