

**Mid-Valley LEPC Meeting  
Northwest Natural  
7150 Supra Drive SW, Albany  
July 10, 2013  
10:00 a.m.  
Minutes**

**Attendees:**

Douglas Baily, Corvallis Fire/HazMat Team 5  
Lori Blau, Cascade Pacific Pulp  
Scott Coffin, ATI Wah Chang  
Scott Cowan, Albany Fire/HazMat Team 5  
Douglas Freeman, RCO International Inc.  
Kat Hampton, Benton County Sheriff's Office  
Michael Hurick, Disaster Consulting  
Lorri Headrick, Albany Fire Dept.

Marcene Olson, LBCC  
Erik Rau, Benton County Sheriff's Office  
Cliff Sabin, Samaritan AGH & LCH  
Karol Schrems, National Emergency Tech. Lab  
Greg Skaer, Oregon Freeze Dry  
Darrel Tedisch, City of Albany  
Terry Wolfe, State Fire Marshal's Office

**Presentation:** Dave McLaughlin with Oregon-OSHA presented on the Global Harmonization System. The primary changes have to do with Safety Data Sheets (SDS) and labeling, and primarily affect manufacturers. Dave identified that employers can still use the NFPA diamond for their labeling; it is the manufacturers that are required to provide the new labeling and SDS based on the changes.

Dave referenced SHARP (Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program) and VPP (Voluntary Protection Programs) to identify organizations as a resource that are on the forefront of safety and health and managing their safety systems.

Important deadlines to be aware of:

- December 1, 2013 – Train employees on the new label elements and safety data sheet (SDS) format.
- June 1, 2015 – Manufacturer's required to provide new labeling.
- June 1, 2016 – Update alternative workplace labeling and hazard communication program as necessary, and provide additional employee training for newly identified physical or health hazards.

As it relates to training employees, Dave suggested [Federal OSHA](#), [Grainger](#), and outside consultants for training resources, information, or assistance. He will also provide a copy of his PowerPoint presentation to Lorri so it can be sent to members.

**Approval of Minutes:** Terry Wolfe made a correction to his comment under Reports from Participating Organizations to read, "Terry advised that the LEPC plan can be an appendix to the local emergency plans." Minutes of the June 12, 2013, meeting were approved as revised.

**Reports from Participating Organizations:**

**State Fire Marshal's Office** – Terry Wolfe reported that he has no additional information on the grant applications at this time. He has completed the Emergency Response Plan template; the crosswalk is pending. Funding has returned to hire back a Community-Right-to-Know program coordinator, with the priorities to update the Hazardous Substance Information System (HSIS) and provide online submission.

**State HazMat Team 5** – Scott Cowan reported that the team is conducting training on their new monitor. The EPA has initiated a cleanup at the OSU chemical storage facility in Corvallis. Douglas Baily reported that he has attended ethanol training and emphasized the reality that distribution of ethanol is coming.

**Benton County Emergency Management** – Erik Rau reported that the Corvallis Preparedness Fair was well received; he extended thanks to Scott Coffin and the LEPC for participating. He introduced Kat Hampton, OSU Intern, who is working on the upcoming Benton County full-scale exercise.

**Linn County Public Health** – Darrel Tedisch reported on behalf of Jane Fleischbein. They are participating in a MRC exercise with the Red Cross in Salem on October 12. More Linn-Benton Alert and Disaster Preparedness books are now available; contact Jane to obtain them.

**City of Corvallis** – Corvallis Fire is going through a Battalion Chief hiring/promotional process.

**City of Albany** – Albany Fire is going through a Lieutenant promotional process to fill two vacant positions due to retirements.

**Samaritan Health** – Cliff Sabin reported that they will receive grant funding to conduct an inventory of their emergency management equipment. Once the inventories are complete the information will be provided to emergency responders for use as additional resources.

A meeting is planned with the local ham radio operators with quarterly training sessions to follow.

Samaritan Health is 55 percent complete on training its 1,400 employees on the Globally Harmonized System.

**LBCC** – Marcene Olson reported that they are updating emergency and safety plans, and have moved the violent intruder drill to the spring due to changes at Albany Police Department.

**Oregon Freeze Dry** – Greg Skaer reported that National Frozen Foods had a recent drill, which prompted a shelter-in-place activity at Oregon Freeze Dry because it wasn't originally communicated to them that it was a drill. It was a learning experience and should prompt improvements to the communications between the two facilities in the future.

**Workgroup Reports:** No reports from workgroups made.

**Information Coordinator Report:** No report.

**Local Exercises & Training:** Benton County Full-Scale Exercise

**Old Business:** None.

**New Business:** None.

**Next Meeting:** August 14, 2013, 10:00 a.m., at LBCC, Boardroom CC-103

**Regular Meeting Adjournment:** 12:00 p.m.

Submitted by,

Lorri Headrick