

MULTNOMAH COUNTY LEPC
Meeting Minutes
Friday December 14, 2012
Portland Fire & Rescue Training Center – Portland, OR

Members Present: Recorded by sign-in sheet

Brian Bailey called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

Members present approved meeting minutes from September 14, 2012

Executive Committee update:

- Members were reminded that the next LEPC meeting will be the 2nd Annual Meeting which will include a vote for Executive Committee members.
- Members were encouraged to sign up for the Training and Outreach Sub-Committees. The Planning Committee is well established already.
- A request was made to donate unused gift cards that could be raffled off at the annual meeting.

Planning Sub-Committee update:

- Jason Cunningham was introduced as the new Hazmat Coordinator for Portland Fire & Rescue following Grant Coffey's retirement.
- Jason discussed his plans to review the schedule established with Grant for continuing the Phase I Reviews for all facilities located in the Station 17 jurisdiction, and to walk through each of the facilities himself before bringing in the first responders for the Phase I Review.
- Jason also advised each facility to fill out their Phase I Questionnaires.

Training Sub-Committee update:

- The Training Sub-Committee plan is to wrap up Anhydrous Ammonia training at the end of this meeting.
- In 2013 a transition will be made to conduct battery/sulfuric acid training following the Annual Meeting in March. An offer was made from a member present to bring out a corporate trainer specializing in batteries.
- Richard Franklin from EPA offered to provide Mercury training.

Outreach Sub-Committee update:

- A need for new members and groups representing cross-functional disciplines of the LEPC was identified as well as a need for a volunteer to make inroads with such groups.
- Sue Otjen from Oregon State Fire Marshal's Office offered to help draft a letter that can be sent to the original list of groups notified of the formation of the Multnomah County LEPC.
- Richard Franklin from EPA offered to provide a list of hospital contacts.

Brian Bailey led a discussion for the planning of the upcoming 2nd Annual Meeting.

- Suggestions for making notifications of the meeting included posting a notice in the Oregonian and sending out a letter to all the original industries and cross-functional disciplines on the original formation list.
- Proposed items for the agenda included a quick review of the current status of Multnomah County LEPC, a discussion of what the goals for 2013 should be, and allotting time for sharing experiences between members within represented industries.

Richard Franklin – Federal On-Scene Coordinator for EPA, Kelley Thorkelson – Incident Management Coordinator for U.S. Coast Guard, and Mike Greenberg – from DEQ introduced themselves and provided a combined presentation of DEQ, Coast Guard, and EPA Emergency Response Programs.

- DEQ acts as the lead agent in clean-up activities on land.
- Coast Guard acts as the lead agent for coastal waterways and parts of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers.
- EPA acts as the lead agent for those parts of the Columbia and Willamette Rivers upstream of where Coast Guard activities occur, and when DEQ resources are unable to fully control a release. EPA also provides detection equipment for monitoring hazardous materials releases.
- Federal agencies use the National Oil and Hazardous Substance Pollution Contingency Plan as the guide for emergency response actions. Subsections of this national plan are the Northwest Area Contingency Plan and Geographic Response Plans.

Final Sections of Trans Caer's Ammonia Training was presented.

Meeting Adjourned at 11:00