

**Kent County
LEPC Meeting Minutes**

November 13, 2007

Attendees

Dave Mick	<i>KC DPS</i>	Nicole Vautard	<i>KC DPS</i>
Marilyn O’Neal	<i>Perdue</i>	Mitch Magee	<i>PPG</i>
Bob Barrish	<i>Citizen</i>	Keith Hines	<i>US Coast Guard</i>
Charlie Boyer	<i>Town of Smyrna</i>	Michael Galbus	<i>Dow Reichhold</i>
Goodwin Cobb	<i>CCHS</i>	Jeff Vadakin	<i>Magnum Electronics</i>
Cheryl Russell	<i>Delmarva Power</i>	Alan Rachko	<i>Dover PD</i>
Jerry Llewellyn	<i>Public Health</i>	Robert Hawkins	<i>State Police</i>
Kristie Williams	<i>Discover Card</i>	Ellen Malenfant	<i>DNREC</i>
Jerry Wiegand	<i>NRG Energy</i>	Christopher Byrd	<i>Energizer</i>

Dave Mick called the meeting to order at 10:05 A.M.

The minutes of the September 11th meeting were approved.

Welcome from Dave and introduction of all the attendees.

Current Issues

Dave Mick – DECON – No services. NASCAR went smooth. Training continuing on the 3rd Tuesday of every month. Joint training sessions held the last two months. One with the CST group. A second with DAFB Hazmat Team. Found out that the task could be accomplished with minimal staffing due to real working alarm.

Technical Rescue and Special Ops Group – Is a group of about 30 who deal with confined space, trench, high angle, and building collapse rescues. There have been no calls in Kent. The first call last year was in MD where someone got their foot caught in a grain machinery. There were two responses backing up Sussex. If any company/business is interested in conducting any training just let the group know. Recruiting will be conducted over the next couple months. Looking into Resource Management & Asset Tracking (R-Mat) system which gives the whereabouts of the closest “widget” needed.

Marilyn O’Neal - Tier II Reporting – The upgrades will be ready when reporting time starts. Shannon is currently working on a presentation for the January LEPC meeting.

Tier II Training Dates

- Kent County – December 12th in the afternoon at Delaware Technical & Community College, Terry Campus.
- New Castle County – December 11th in the morning at DNREC in New Castle.
- Sussex County – December 13th in the afternoon at Delaware Technical & Community College, Georgetown Campus.

Marilyn O'Neal – SERC – Reviewed State emergency Response Plan and added MIMS and Radiological and deleted DECON. Presentation by Norfolk southern who have good communication with railroads. Plan to look at Delaware to see where to improve. There are a lot of regulations to comply with. The next meeting is on December 12th.

Old Business

Dave Mick – Statewide Hazmat Conference – There has been a problem. Buzz Melton will no longer be the speaker. Not enough money in the budget. The EMS portion is going well. Presentation. There will be a hands on scenario for the medics which will be presented twice with one hour of lecturing and 3 hours of hands on experience. Art has sent out invitations to the counties. There are about 10 spaces available for each county.

The day before the conference the Federal Department of Transportation will be having a one day session regarding trains and road issues. It will be held in Newark at the Embassy Suites.

Dave Mick – Facility Inspection – Developing a Request for Proposal (RFP) to meet County requirements. This is being developed by Allen for advertisement. Anticipated completion date is end of year. Funding for the inspections has been secured.

Dave Mick – Exercise Committee – The Kent/Sussex WMD exercise was a very good exercise. Got a lot of people interacting and communicating well. Plans came together with just a few conflicts. The scenario consisted of multiple bombing attacks. The start of the drill was after the first 1 ½ hours after the initial incident. It was very good to focus on the latter issues verses the first initial response issues. Quantitative values were not known. It was an eye opener for the schools. The school board was very open and took notes. It was a change for the better for their participation. They were willing to discuss their plans and operations. One problem the schools had was in regards to moving the children and reunifying them with some children being undocumented and others having language barriers. PIO's had difficulty assembling and getting information out to the media. There were many restrictions put on them so it was hard. Need to control information going out to the public. There needs to be one voice for PIO's and they must schedule press conference with key players to help answer questions. The hospitals learned they need radiological monitoring/controlling equipment on hand.

Marilyn O'Neal – Sussex County LEPC – Homeland Security has a list of chemicals of interest for compliance. Will possibly affect 4-5 thousand facilities. Will be holding training sessions in place of regular meetings. Shannon will be the program for the Jan 10th meeting and Keith from the US Coast Guard will be the program for the March meeting.

New Business

Nicole Vautard – Electronic meeting notices/minutes – Plan to send notices and minutes electronically from this point forward. Please make sure you include your e-mail address on the sign in sheet.

Program

Tour of Smyrna Wellness Center.

Meeting adjourned at 11:00 a.m.

Next LEPC meeting scheduled for **Tuesday, January 8th.**

Respectfully submitted,

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