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**Meeting Minutes
May 11, 2009**

*Host: Christiana Care Health System
Location: 4755 Ogletown-Stanton Road, Newark, DE*

The regular meeting of the New Castle County LEPC was held on the above noted date and place.

Welcome:

Mr. Bob Mulrooney, Vice President of Facilities and Services, welcomed and thanked everyone in attendance. Mr. Mulrooney provided a brief overview presentation about Christiana Care. He mentioned their mission is to improve the health of all individuals in the community. Christiana Care is the only Level 1 Trauma Center between Philadelphia and Baltimore. Christiana's campus includes the major center for heart and vascular health and the Helen Graham Cancer Center, one of the leaders in the country for cancer care. Mr. Mulrooney also discussed the major expansion project for the Wilmington Campus. He then introduced Ms. Nancy Kirby, from the Occupational Safety Department. Ms. Kirby spoke about Christiana's hazmat response team. There are 31 active members who respond to hazmat responses, chemical spills, and patient decontamination. They also have a confined space rescue team with 18 members, fire brigades, and 9 EMT's on site. Ms. Kirby introduced Mr. Brian Humphrey from the Emergency Management Department. Mr. Humphrey explained Christiana uses an "all hazards" approach to coordinate plans and responses. There are two basic types of response plans, and they conduct a minimum of two drills per year.

Chairman Irwin thanked Christiana Care Health System for hosting the meeting and their support of the LEPC. At Chairman Irwin's request, a round of introductions was held.

Approval of Agenda/Minutes: For the agenda, Babak Golgolab made a motion to approve the agenda; Terri Abegglen seconded the motion. All in attendance unanimously approved. For the minutes, Babak Golgolab made a motion to approve the minutes; Mark Dolan seconded the motion. All in attendance unanimously approved.

Committee Reports:

Finance: Bill McCracken reported the LEPC budget as follows:

\$123,409.00	– FY 09 Appropriation
<u>- 85,601.12</u>	– Expenses to Date
\$ 37,808.	- Balance

Training: Mark Dolan presented the attached NCCIHMR training report.

Transportation: Bruce Galloway advised that he attended the Fire Department Instructors Conference held in Indianapolis, Indiana. He obtained very helpful information concerning ethanol and ethanol/gasoline mixtures, and how these types of fires should be treated differently than

traditional gasoline fires. The U.S. Department of Transportation has provided to emergency responders new and revised proper shipping names and identification numbers for placarding ethanol, gasoline, and gasoline/ethanol fuel blends. For additional information, go to the website: www.phmsa.dot.gov/hazmat/regs/safety-alerts

Mr. James Werner, Director of DNREC's Division of Air and Waste Management, indicated that DNREC is very actively involved with the EPA regarding this issue, and informed the group that the EPA has published a new report on ethanol.

Staff Report: Bill McCracken presented the attached staff report.

Old Business: None

New Business:

Air Quality in Claymont Presentation: Babak Golgolab gave a presentation on the "Bucket Brigade" report. This report provides information from 2003 up to the present regarding the concern of residents in Claymont seeing dust releases from Claymont Steel. DNREC issued two legal Enforcement Orders in 2006 to Claymont Steel to find a solution to the problem and to set up air pollution monitors in the community, using EPA technical guidance. Some local residents felt the proposed monitoring regime was not sufficient to reflect dust levels in their neighborhoods. In 2008, DNREC made arrangements for residents to get funding from Claymont Steel to hire Global Community Monitor, an environmental advocacy group, to help them collect air samples in the community, which were sent to the lab for testing and confirmed to be from Claymont Steel. DNREC has agreed to provide funding to undertake sampling for a second year. For additional information, go to the website: www.gcmonitor.org

Mr. James Werner, Vice-Chair of the SERC and DNREC Air and Waste Management Director, provided an update on DNREC efforts to control dust as well as mercury (mainly from scrap cars with mercury switches) emissions and monitoring by DNREC and Claymont Steel. DNREC has a full-time engineer assigned to the Claymont area, and has been conducting sampling and controls for dust for more than 20 years, and continues to determine more precisely where the dust came from and what additional controls are required. For additional information go to the website: www.awm.delaware.gov/Pages/AWMClaymontPage.aspx

Chairman Irwin thanked Mr. Golgolab for the very informative presentation.

NCCIHMRA Presentation: Bruce Galloway provided a presentation on NCCIHMRA. The concept was discussed and started in 1994 from an LEPC meeting, because of concerns on hazmat responses which relied on outside contractors. An organizational meeting was scheduled with industry and a steering committee was established. Legal hurdles were resolved, corporate support was established, and DNREC agreed to lead the group during an incident. Volunteers from the corporate teams agreed to join the NCCIHMRA group. Currently, NCCIHMRA has 60 team members, which includes 10 industrial sites and the University of Delaware. NCCIHMRA SOP's have been developed following the NIMS system. Chairman Irwin praised NCCIHMRA as a premier organization truly unique not only in the state, but also in the country. He thanked all involved, and also thanked Mr. Galloway for the very informative presentation.

SERT Plan Presentation: Arthur Paul provided an overview of the latest version of the SERT Plan. This plan has been in place since 1998, and this is the second revision, to make it NIMS compliant. The overview included the purpose, team members, and alerting and notification information flow.

An information brochure was provided to the members. Chairman Irwin thanked Mr. Paul for the very informative presentation.

Chairman Irwin advised the members that LEPC Consultant Joe Leonetti has accepted a full-time position with St. Francis Hospital as their Safety and Security Manager. Joe submitted his notification letter to terminate his consulting contract with New Castle County, effective May 31, 2009, at which time his duties will be shared between David Irwin and Bill McCracken.

Public Comments: None

No further business, the meeting adjourned at 4 pm. Mr. Jeff Benyo with Christiana Care provided a tour of the dispatch center, decontamination tank room and supply area, and the patient decontamination room.

NOTICE OF NEXT MEETING

Host: AstraZeneca - Newark

Date and time: July 13, 2009, 2:30 p.m.

Directions will be sent with agenda.

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**NCC LEPC
STAFF REPORT
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SERC/DEMA ACTIVITIES:

- Participated in the SERC meeting.
- Participated in the 2nd Annual Hazmat Conference.
- Participated in the SERC Planning and Training Committee meeting.

PLAN REVIEWS:

Conducted six Plan Reviews and Onsite Assessments -

- Air Liquide
- Claymont Steel
- FMC
- Linde
- Kuehne Company, Inc
- Southern States

COMMUNITY OUTREACH:

- Attended Richardson Park Civic Association meeting.
- Coordinated with NCC OEM on outreach materials.
- Attended NCCFCA meeting at Delaware City.
- Presented LEPC Presentation to the Delaware Chapter of the American Industrial Hygiene Association.
- Attended the FMC CAP meeting.

DRILL/EXERCISES:

- Sent out e-mail to all participants in the Hazmat Tabletop Exercise.
- Met with Dave Carpenter on tabletop exercise.

NCCIHMRA:

- Attended the NCCIHMRA SOP meeting at DNREC.
- Attended Gas training at U of D.
- Participated in the NCCIHMRA Steering Group meeting.

STAFF ACTIVITIES:

- Conducted two Staff meetings.
- Working on annual revisions to the New Castle County Hazardous Materials Response Plan.
- Finalized the FY-2010 Budget, Work Plan, and Performance Review.
- Reviewed A.I. Hospital's Decontamination Plan.
- Met with Del Tech on the production of the Delaware Hazardous Material Response Video.
- Met with the NCC OEM on the HMEP GRANT.
- Participated in the LEPC Brochure meeting.

TRAINING ACTIVITIES:

- Conducted 8 hour training class for the A. I. DuPont Hospital.

Monday, May 11th, 2009

**NEW CASTLE COUNTY INDUSTRIAL HAZARDOUS MATERIALS
RESPONSE ALLIANCE**

NCCIHMRA TRAINING COMMITTEE REPORT TO NCC LEPC

The New Castle County Industrial Hazardous Materials Response Alliance Training Committee has the following training session scheduled next:

2009 Training Session IV: Tuesday, May 19th and Thursday, May 21st from 5:00 pm through 9:00 pm both evenings being conducted at the Dupont Experimental Station.

Training Session IV is a hands-on workshop involving (1) the detection, sampling, product identification and monitoring of toxic industrial chemicals; and (2) the response to compressed gas emergencies located inside industrial research laboratories.

The New Castle County Industrial Hazardous Materials Response Alliance Training Committee's next SOP Revision Meeting is slated for Tuesday, June 9th, 2009 from 5:00 pm to 7:30 pm located at DNREC's Lukens Drive, New Castle Facility.

Submitted by:
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NCCIHMRA Training Committee