Westchester County LEPC Local Emergency Planning Committee



MEETING MINUTES

Date: April 12, 2016 **Time:** 9:15 am to 9:40 am

Location: 4 Dana Road, Valhalla, NY

Attendees

Peter McDonough Chairperson Danielle Darling Secretary Kevin Ryan WCOEM Dennis Delborgo WCOEM Pete Pitocco WCDES Dan Olmoz **WCOEM** WC DOC WCDES/EMS Anthony Gruerio Nyle Salley

William Dingee WCDES Jeffery Newell ICL

Josh Klein ICL Douglas Mauro Coca Cola Refreshments

Willie Carley VA Mark Drozdov AIHA/CES

Technical Presentations

None

Statements by Chairperson

Meeting was held at the WCDES, 4 Dana Road, Valhalla, NY. Meeting was called to order by Peter McDonough at 9:15 a.m. Members were requested to sign in and introduce themselves.

Minutes

Minutes from the January 12, 2016 meeting were reviewed by the membership and no revisions were proposed to be made. Peter McDonough asked that the membership take the time to review the minutes prior to the next meeting and provide feedback if needed. Peter Pitocco made the motion to accept the minutes. It was seconded by Peter McDonough and approved with none opposed.

County Report

<u>Chairman/Vice Chairman</u> – It has been very quiet. There have been a few spills including 5000 gallons of fuel oil from the tugboat incident.

<u>WCOEM Rep</u> – Daniel Olmoz, Dennis Delborgo, Danielle Darling, Peter McDonough, and Brian Anderson met to discuss revisions to be made to the by-laws and other improvements to be made to the LEPC meetings. They verified that the LEPC is operating in compliance with Federal standards and discussed how to make the meetings more efficient and

beneficial.

WC HazMat/FD/EMS Rep – There were a few household incidents around the County.

A home heating oil truck containing 3,500-3,600 gallons turned over spilling about 20 gallons.

There was a large sewer spill in the city of Rye.

Katonah had a propane tank leak at a residence in the middle of the night.

As a result of a tugboat accident on the Hudson River there was a large oil spill. It was reported that approximately 5,000 gallons of oil had been released into the river, but the actual number is closer to 3,500 gallons. The DEC used a private contractor to clean up the spill and the County HazMat team assisted the NYS Police for 3 days.

The Medical College had a strong odor coming from the kennels. With some investigation it was discovered that the wrong bags were used for waste elimination and the bags had been burned, releasing the odor.

WC Health Dept. Rep – There was nothing to report other than the tugboat incident.

<u>Tier II</u> – The reporting period for 2015 has ended. A total of 354 facilities have filed their Tier IIs, 297 (87%) of these facilities reported via E-Plan and the remaining 57 submitted paper reports. Six facilities gave notice that they have closed, relocated, or no longer meet the reporting thresholds and 12 new facilities reported this year. There are still 21 facilities that reported last year that have not reported this year. Last year only 80% of the facilities reported via E-Plan so there have been an increase in E-Plan reporters. CAMEO files are available upon request to first responder agencies.

Old Business

<u>LEPC Representation</u> – The LEPC will continue to post meeting dates and times on the LEPC Website. The 2016 schedule is currently posted to the site. The LEPC encourages industries and members of the first responder community to attend meetings and network.

<u>WC Hazardous Materials Response Plan Exercise</u> – There is no exercise planned at this time. Dennis Delborgo went on the Indian Point refueling tour and stated that it was very informative. He offered to extend the tour invitation to the membership during next year's refueling period or arranging a tour for another time.

<u>LEPC Brochure</u> – Now that the Tier II reporting period is over an accurate count can be determined for the printing of the final draft of the LEPC brochure.

<u>2016 Meeting Schedule</u> – In 2016 the LEPC will have regularly scheduled meetings on the second Tuesday of the first month of each quarter. The dates for 2016 will be January 12th, April 12th, July 12th, and October 11th.

<u>Election of Officers</u> – There will be an election of officers at the July 12, 2016 meeting. If any members are interested in holding a position are encouraged to indicate their intension at the next meeting.

<u>Meeting Topics for Upcoming Meetings</u> – The LEPC discussed the possibility of having members from the industries present information about their facilities in lieu of a technical

presentation at some meetings. Peter McDonough indicated that he has a presentation about the construction of Indian Point that he would be willing to give.

New Business

<u>LEPC Website</u> – The minutes of the January 12, 2016 meeting minutes will be posted to the website as soon as the webmaster is able to post them.

<u>Correspondence/Communications</u> – Peter McDonough received an email regarding the HMEP grant and forwarded it to Dennis Delborgo and Linda Luddy who filed for the grant before the deadline. The grant money is used for administrative support for the LEPC.

<u>Spill Drills</u> – The Westchester County Hazmat Team participated in a Tri-County Drill along with Putnam and Dutchess County that went well. A private contractor was hired to run the drill so that all agencies were able to participate in this multiple issue transportation drill.

The WMD Squads have four days of training coming up on the proper selection of PPE and use of their meters. There will be a practice session on June 24th.

Con Ed has indicated that they would like to have a class on the use of their foam, which is designed for use on their equipment and is different than the foam used on flammable liquid. This class has been tentatively scheduled for May 23rd.

<u>July 12th Meeting PM Session</u> – The PM session of the July 12th meeting has been tabled at this time as more work needs to be done to insure that it will be a success.

Agenda Items for Next Meeting

None

Meeting Close

Peter McDonough motioned to close the meeting and Anthony Gruerio seconded. The meeting of the LEPC was adjourned at 9:40 am.

The date for the next LEPC meeting is scheduled for July 12, 2016 at 9:00 am. The technical presentation will be Pipeline Safety provided by Tom Rzasa with Kinder Morgan.