

STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES

June 21, 2016, 1:00 p.m.
Multi-Agency State Office Building
195 North 1950 West
Salt Lake City, Utah 84116

Attendance List:

Mortensen, Duane..... Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Hamlet, Kris..... Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM

Also Attending:

Appawoo, Audie..... Ute Indian Tribe/Energy & Minerals Department
Bockstahler, Breann..... U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
Hammer, Kim..... Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Howell, Dondie..... Ute Indian Tribe/Emergency Management
Martin, Chris Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
McMullin, Kathryn Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Miller, Mechelle..... Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Moseley, Richard Utah Department of Public Safety/Fire Marshal’s Office
Navanica, Ty..... Ute Indian Tribe/Energy & Minerals Department
Owens, Andy Utah National Guard
Parker, Joe..... Utah National Guard
Pike-Cuch, Felecia Ute Indian Tribe/Emergency Management
Pinnecoose, Bradley..... Ute Indian Tribe/Energy & Minerals Department
Smith, Elisa Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Taylor, Neil Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Urban, Dale Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
VanDame, Kathy Breathe Utah
Whitesides, Jona Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM

Attending Telephonically:

Crowther, Angelia Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS

Duane Mortensen

Duane Mortensen welcomed attendees to the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) meeting and thanked them for their participation. Introductions of those in attendance were made.

ACTION ITEMS

Approval of March 15, 2016 Meeting Minutes

Duane Mortensen

Minutes from the March 15, 2016 SERC meeting have been reviewed by the SERC. With no comments or changes needing to be made, a motion was made by Kris Hamlet to approve

the minutes. The motion was seconded by Duane Mortensen. The meeting minutes were unanimously approved.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Emergency Management Administrative Council Update

Jona Whitesides

Statute 53-2a-105 establishes the Emergency Management Administrative Council. The council is co-chaired by the Department of Public Safety (DPS) Commissioner and the Lieutenant Governor of the State of Utah and has representation from several state agencies, counties, cities, and the private sector. The statute asks the council to coordinate with several other committees including the SERC. The SERC Advisory Committee recommends that they send Cody Barton, the SERC Advisory Committee Chair, to the next Emergency Management Administrative Council meeting to update the council on the SERC. Kris Hamlet said that he creates the agenda for the Emergency Management Administrative Council meeting and will add an update from the SERC to the next agenda.

Utah Critical Infrastructure Prioritization (UCIP) Tool Information

Jona Whitesides

Kathy McMullen explained that the Utah Critical Infrastructure Prioritization (UCIP) tool is available to assist local emergency managers to identify their critical infrastructure, score it based on consequence, and prioritize it. The tool also assists with outreach and training. The tool is free and is being introduced in the Local Emergency Planning Committees (LEPCs). Several communities have been introduced to the tool and the DPS will continue to follow-up with LEPCs to offer training on the tool. Ms. McMullen will be providing an overview of the tool at the LEPC conference later this year.

General Public Representative Update

Chris Martin

There have been two applications received for the General Public representative opening on the SERC Advisory Committee. Both candidates are very well qualified. The applications will be reviewed as an action item at the next SERC meeting.

EPCRA Regulatory Updates

Neil Taylor

List of Lists Modification for Tier II

Neil Taylor provided a list of chemicals based on the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA) List of Lists. Mr. Taylor has created a list to provide LEPCs easy access to information regarding reportable quantities of chemicals for the Tier II program. Richard Moseley from the State Fire Marshal's Office thanked Neil for the creation of this document.

Risk Management Plan and LEPC Involvement

The EPA is proposing changes to the Risk Management Plan. These changes are being made due to the Executive Order issued by President Obama. Incidents that could have become a catastrophic release now require further scrutiny through a Root Cause Analysis. Facilities are also required to include LEPCs in emergency response drills and exercises annually. There are also requirements for Third Party Compliance Audits. Richard Moseley gave an explanation of the details of a Root Cause Analysis.

Chemical Safety Board West Texas Recommendations with Video

Neil Taylor

A video of recommendations from the Chemical Safety Board that resulted from the West, Texas fertilizer company explosion was shown. The video can be found at <http://www.csb.gov/west-fertilizer-explosion-and-fire/>. One of the lessons learned from the West, Texas explosion is that even though LEPCs are not involved in zoning, they should be aware of possible hazards within their jurisdiction. Discussion was held regarding ammonium nitrate storage in the State of Utah.

Update on contact information from ATF inspections

Jona Whitesides

The Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms and Explosives (ATF) has released an updated list of contacts for businesses within the State of Utah that house explosive materials. The list was sent to the SERC and LEPCs.

Other Items

Breann Bockstahler from the EPA informed the SERC that a workshop will be held in South Dakota the last week of July. They will be going throughout the state working with LEPCs teaching LEPC 101. She offered EPA assistance with training and providing materials for LEPCs within Utah.

Richard Moseley said that a mine in Beaver County has been resistant to provide Tier 2 information. SERC assistance may be requested if the company begins mining again and continues to refuse to comply with Tier 2 reporting requirements. The DEQ, DPS and Department of Natural Resources have been working together on this issue.

Next Meeting Date and Time

Duane Mortensen

The next SERC meeting on September 20, 2016 was changed to **September 29, 2016**, at 1:00 PM at the Multi-Agency State Office Building (MASOB), 195 North 1950 West, Salt Lake City, Utah to accommodate the schedules of the DPS Commissioner and DEQ Executive Director.

The SERC Advisory Committee meeting will be held the same day at 10:30 a.m. The location will be the same as the SERC meeting.

Adjourn

Duane Mortensen

The meeting adjourned at approximately 1:45 p.m.