STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

MEETING MINUTES
December 19, 2013 1:00 p.m.
Salt Lake County Health Department
788 E Woodoak Lane
Murray, UT 84117

Attendance List:
Director, Kris Hamlet...........................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Everett, Brent ..................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR

Also Attending:
Bailey, Ty ..............................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Bailey, Rick ..................................................................San Juan County
Martin, Chris ............................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Riley, Mike .............................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/FMO
Taylor, Neil ...............................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Urban, Dale ..............................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Zucker, Mike ............................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
John Veranth ..........................................................SERC Advisory Board/Member
Mortensen, Duane ....................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Mike Zucker ...........................................................Utah Department of Environmental Quality/DERR
Jesse Valenzuela ......................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
John Hoggan ..........................................................Salt Lake County Health Department
Kent McClure ................................................................Utah National Guard

Attending Telephonically:
Miller, Mechelle ......................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Rigtrup, Don .............................................................SERC Advisory Board/Chair
Kathy Van Dame ......................................................Wasatch Clean Air Coalition
Heeter, Janet .............................................................U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/Region VIII
Bernadette Rose .......................................................U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/Region VIII
Dhieux, Joyel .............................................................U.S. Environmental Protection Agency/Region VIII
Cobb, Don ...............................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Scharman, Reed ........................................................West Jordan Fire Department
Giles, Kimberly ........................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM
Hammer, Kim ..........................................................Utah Department of Public Safety/DEM

Excused from meeting:
Andy Byrnes ..................................................................UVU EM Services

WELCOME AND INTRODUCTIONS ................................................. Kris Hamlet
Kris welcomed the attendees to the meeting and expressed appreciation for their attendance.
Approval of the September 12, 2013 MEETING MINUTES:
Minutes from the September 12, 2013 SERC meeting were distributed and reviewed by the Commission. A motion by Brent Everett to approve the minutes as written and second by Kris Hamlet was made. The SERC unanimously approved the meeting minutes.

INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

Joyel reported they met in March with several stake holders including the major oil pipeline owners, local LEPCs, and trusties active in the Uintah basin. Then they met in September with the Federal Trustees to identify access areas and to determine risks and sensitive areas on the river. They are continuing to working on gathering information to identify critical areas of response, staging, and equipment caches and to create the plan to reflect this information. In the spring they are going to start work with the locals to help vet the information included in the plan. The map based plan will have different data layers to show the staging areas, sensitive areas response areas, equipment caches, and 24-48 hour response strategies.

Willard Bay Oil Spill – Joyel Dhieux- (electronic presentation on the web).

March 18, 2013 – Spill Occurred
March 18 to April 1 – Initial Emergency Response
April 1 to June 1 – Response clean up continues.
Discussions on remediation begin.
The spill was from an 8 inch transmission line that spilled approximately 485 barrels or 20,000 gallons into the Willard Bay wetlands.
June 1 to September 30 – Site monitoring,
Re-vegetation and clean up completion
December 2, 2013 – Final Site walk through

**Reactive Chemical Safety Regulatory follow up – Neil Taylor**
Neil reported that the federal working group established to research the issue has not published a report on their findings. They have been traveling around the country gathering input and collecting information. Neil will continue to follow the issue and report back to the SERC on any developments.

Ty stated this was a standing item from the last meeting. So far as a result of the West Texas incident, Texas has not made any changes in their SERC or LEPC guidance nor has there been any legislative actions taken he was aware of.

**2013 HMEP Grant report – Ty Bailey**
Ty reported the application would be out the first part of the year and be retroactive to October 1, 2013. There were 32 LEPCs who participated in the grant in the 2013 fiscal year with an initial award of $3,200. Twenty-one LEPCs used the entire amount, 7 used a partial amount, and 4 did not submit expenses. Eight of the LEPCs took advantage of the early closeout and received extra funding of $16,000 divided among the 8 LEPCs, which was an extra $1992 per LEPC. The funding should be about the same as last year.

**Advisory Report – Ty Bailey**

- **LEPC Survey & Guidance project:**
  Ty reported on the survey and guidance project and the needs being addressed. The SERC Advisory Board proposed to the SERC to have a staff person, Don Cobb, take on the project. Don would work with Ty and Teresa to take the information they already have gathered from the working meeting to finish the survey.

  Ty will also look into the cost of printing a Utah LEPC guidance handbook from Quick Series Publishing that has done LEPC guide books for other states. He will bring the information back to the board for further discussion and approval of the project. The cost involved and the funding avenue will need to be addressed at the next meeting.

  **Brent Everett made the motion to pursue the guidance project and bring back the information gathered for more discussion. Kris seconded the motion. The motion passed.**

**ROUND TABLE .............................................................................................................Kris Hamlet**

- **Blue Castel Project update – Ty Bailey**
  Ty reported for informational purposes that Blue Castle won the court case that challenged the water rights for the plant development and will be moving forward with submitting an application sometime next year.

- **Spring Emergency Response Conference – Neil Taylor**
  Neil reported they are going to sponsor a conference again this year and he is working with Judy Watanabe on a date that won’t interfere with other conferences and meetings. He stated they are looking at the end of March or the 1st part of April. He will send out more information as soon as he gets a more solid date.
Region Response Team 8 update - Mike Zucker
Mike reported on EPA’s kickoff to revise the Green River Area Contingency Plan. Region 7 has a plan that Region 8 is looking to model their plan after. The current Green River Area Contingency Plan is 500 pages and they want to cut it down considerably.

Safety update – Janet Heeter
Janet reported on Executive Order 13-650 which resulted in a “Public Listening session”. They are an update and ask for public comment. The information provided below is a list of dates of the sessions with the link to access the meeting.

Link: https://www.osha.gov/chemicalexecutiveorder/index.html
or email EO.Chemical@hq.dhs.gov.

Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security (Executive Order 13650 (EO)) public listening session opportunities in January 2014.
During each of the listening sessions, the Working Group will share an overview of the various sections of the EO and the progress made to date on each. In particular, we are interested in hearing from the stakeholders described in the EO: chemical producers, chemical storage companies, agricultural supply companies, State and local regulators, chemical critical infrastructure owners and operators, first responders, labor organizations representing affected workers, environmental and community groups, and consensus standards organizations. Attendees will have opportunities to provide individual input on the process and the specific areas in the EO. These areas include improving operational coordination with States, Tribes, and local partners; enhanced information collection and sharing; modernizing regulations, guidance, and policies; and identifying best practices in chemical facility safety and security. EO 13650 Improving Chemical Facility Safety and Security
January 2014 Public Listening Session Schedule
January 8, 2014 – Wednesday
Sacramento, California
January 10, 2013 – Friday
Los Angeles, California
January 14, 2014 – Tuesday
Washington, DC
January 24, 2014 – Friday
Houston, Texas

National Radiological Emergency Preparedness Conference- Ty Bailey
Ty reported there will be a Radiological Response Emergency Preparedness Conference held April 7th-10th at the Little America hotel in Salt Lake City. If you are interested in attending, please let Ty know and he will send out the sign up information. Email: tybailey@utah.gov.

NEXT MEETING DATE AND TIME
The next SERC meeting is scheduled for 1:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 20, 2014. DEQ will be hosting.
Tentative schedule for the 2014 year is as follows:
June 19th, September 18th, December 11th.
SERC Advisory board meeting will be held the same day at 10:00 a.m. Location will be the same as the SERC meeting.

ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at approximately 2:20 p.m.

Kris Hamlet