

# *Sangamon Valley LEPC*

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## **AGENDA**

September 17, 2015

8:30 AM

Sangamon County OEM Building

2801 N. Fifth Street

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*Meeting Called to Order by David Butt, Chairman*

*Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting (05/21/2015)*

*Self-introductions*

*Recognition of LEPC Members*

*Welcome to Visitors*

*Purpose for this being designated as our Annual Meeting*

*New Business*

*LEPC Sessions from 2015 IEMA Summit*

*Crude Oil Tanker/Burn Surge*

*SERC Advisory Committee*

*LEPC Exercise on August 10, 2015*

*HMEP funding for Ethanol Training*

*AAR/IP (For Official Use Only)*

*Old Business*

*Hazardous Material Commodity Flow Study*

*Contractor's presentation to full committee and visitors*

*Delivery of final product per LEPC contract*

*Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Grant*

*Filing of Tier 2 Reports*

*Menard Terminal Expansion*

*Boom Deployment Exercise*

*Other Response Concerns*

*Other Business*

*Public comment*

*Around the room*

*Next meeting: November 19, 2015, at Office of the State Fire Marshal*

*Motion to adjourn the formal LEPC meeting*

*Opportunity for the invited public to review our planning documents & ask questions*

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## **MINUTES OF THE SANGAMON VALLEY LEPC MEETING – September 17, 2015**

**Call to Order** - The Chair, David Butt, called the meeting to order at 8:30 am, at the Sangamon County OEM Training Room, 2801 North Fifth Street, Springfield IL. This is the 2015 annual meeting designated specifically for public viewing and receipt of comments on our emergency plans. This meeting gives emphasis to the “community right-to-know” portion of EPCRA (Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act).

There was a quorum with 23 members present: Jeph Bassett, Springfield Fire Department (SFD); Carrie Brazil, Curran-Gardner Public Water District (C-GPWD); John Brennan, Village of Williamsville; Mike Burg, Menard County EMS; David Butt, Sangamon County OEM; Joe Crowe, Athens - Fancy Prairie Fire Dept.; Tracy Garrison, Sangamon County GIS; George Krebs, IL Environmental Protection Agency (IEPA); Tim Krell, Sangamon County Board; Jason LeMar Menard County GIS; Tamara Leone, Memorial Medical Center (MMC); Eli Logan (MMC); Ralph Long, IL Air National Guard (IANG); Mike Lopez, Sangamon County 9-1-1; Pat Metz, City Water Light and Power; Mike Moos, Sherman EMA; Chris Richmond, SFD; Bill Russell, Sangamon County Rescue Squad; Katrina Schroeder, United Way; Linda Swartz, Community Member; Laura Valente, IANG; Diana Wade, Sangamon County Department of Public Health; and Linda Wheeland, Springfield-Sangamon County Regional Planning Commission (SSCRPC).

**Approval of the Minutes** - Minutes from the previous LEPC meeting were distributed via e-mail prior to this meeting. A motion was made by Joe Crowe, seconded by Mike Moos and approved unanimously to accept the minutes from May 21, 2015.

**Introductions** - Self-introductions were made. Nine visitors were present: Greg Michaud, Johnson Depp & Quisenberry (JDQ); Brian Hollenkamp, Menard County GIS; Dillon Magers, BNSF Railway; Mark Newton, Union Pacific Railroad (UPRR); Jim Johnson, SFD; Cherril Graff, C-GPWD; Prezley Duncan, part-time planner; Bob Flemming, IL Emergency Management Agency (IEMA) and Janie Martin, IEMA and State Emergency Response Committee (SERC). All were welcomed.

### **New Business**

IEMA Summit, Sept. 8-11 – Several members attended the summit last week. One break-out session especially relevant for our LEPC was the SERC Advisory Committee. Janie Martin is instrumental with broadening the perspective of the SERC. The SERC has reached out in many directions to obtain information on hazardous materials vulnerabilities in the state and resources for responding to them. Placing these against a background of researched or known information of strategic value, the result is an interactive GIS-based book for hazardous materials planners and responders, soon to be released. A license for ArcGIS Online is required and Tracy Garrison assured the Chair that he has such license.

LEPC Exercise on August 10, 2015 – The Chair explained how an unexpected phone call from Janie’s boss at IEMA’s Bureau of Preparedness and Grants Administration (PGA) on June 11, led to over \$13.5K of grant funding toward an Ethanol training day for the SFD Hazardous Materials Response Team (HMRT), culminating with a foam dispensing drill at the Archer Daniels Midland (ADM) Curran grain elevator on August 10. The Renewable Fuels Association taught an Ethanol Safety Seminar for the HMRT in the morning. ADM spotted a railcar on its track spur and the afternoon was used to drill over and over with the SFD foam trailer in a transportation accident scenario. C-GPWD donated approximately 12,000 gallons of water for the drill and the Chair presented Carrie Brazil with a letter of appreciation for her boss from the LEPC and SFD Chief Barry Helmerichs. IEPA was a valuable planning partner for the exercise also and had 2 environmental protection specialists participate in both parts of the day’s activities.

On August 11, the Chair met with SFD at Chris Richmond's office for the after action conference. The After Action Report/Improvement Plan (AAR/IP) was completed on August 31. The AAR/IP was reviewed with the committee. Chris spoke about SFD's view of the strengths from the exercise and the improvement plan. George Krebs identified how IEPA benefited from participating in the drill. The Chair offered his perspective that with a mutual-aid fire department and a state agency (actual 2 state agencies) participating, we exceeded the definition of a drill for our activity. ADM Ethanol Division representatives traveled to Curran to observe our drill. Valuable transportation flow information for Ethanol originating at Decatur was obtained from these individuals.

### **Old Business**

Hazardous Material Commodity Flow Study (CFS) – Greg Michaud spoke to the committee to catch them up on the last 4 months of the CFS for the area defined by SSCRPC as the Springfield Area Transportation Study (SATS), since our May meeting. A summer truck count was completed for comparison with the one made in spring, and all railroads replied to our Circular OT-55-N request for annual carload counts of hazardous materials. Our contract with JDQ runs thru September 30, and will be fulfilled with a written report for the LEPC. The Chair intends to execute a new contract with JDQ for fall and winter truck counts and/or a larger geographic area when funding for our next grant year is clearer.

Hazardous Materials Emergency Planning (HMEP) Grant – The Chair has submitted our grant application for activities during the next federal fiscal year (funded with FFY2015 money). Our grant administration at IEMA will now be thru PGA. Initially, we were able to only apply for baseline funding for next year, but the Chair is hopeful that our performance during the summer when additional funds were freed up, will help us access greater amounts from the HMEP grant as the year proceeds.

Filing of Tier 2 Reports – The Chair asked Prezley Duncan to explain her activity with reviewing our Tier 2 Reports pursuant to the 30-day contract she is working under. She is organizing this year's reports and will seek Lori Canterbury's help to locate the ones we are missing. She is comparing these reports against last year's and noting changes in key contact persons and in chemicals beings stored. She will tabulate these changes for the LEPC to track information that needs to be updated since we last reviewed our site plans.

Menard Terminal Expansion – Growmark held a boom deployment exercise on September 16, that Joe Crowe and Mike Burg participated with and the Chair observed. This was followed by a tabletop exercise for a fuel release at the terminal. Access to a sufficient water supply for deploying foam continues to be a concern for responders to Menard Terminal. Growmark is adding two 3.5 million gallon tanks this year and will need to perform a leak test on each. The Chair hopes that the LEPC can influence them to work with local fire departments to add a containment pond to the site with sufficient capacity maintained for drafting water with a fire engine as part of a foam response.

### **Other Business**

Public Comment – Mark Newton of UPRR inquired about the LEPC motives for conducting our CFS. Our answer that we want to plan for our responders' preparedness, brought forth an offer that both railroads present today, and others serving our planning district, have many training opportunities that they can offer. Railroads also keep caches of foam that they can bring for response to accidents.

Around the Room – Tamara Leone asked the Chair to distribute copies of MMC's Hazard and Vulnerability Assessment to all members for review and place it as a New Business item on the next meeting agenda. MMC has been represented on the LEPC since we formed and the Chair specifically welcomed Tamara and Eli Logan as new members, sharing good news about Stephanie Howard's promotion to head of Security at the hospital. Mike Lopez spoke of needs by 9-1-1 for better addressing information of grain elevators, expanded medical facilities and railroad crossings, which were all topics of today's conversations. Mark Newton told of a GIS-based phone app that identifies rail crossings. Chris Richmond uses this app and will provide the 9-1-1 Center with more information about it.

Meeting Closure – The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for 8:30 am, November 19, 2015, at the Office of the State Fire Marshal (OSFM). Other meetings are 1/21/16 and 3/17/16, also at OSFM and 5/19/16, at the Athens City Hall. There being no further business, a motion was made by Mike Lopez, seconded by Chris Richmond and approved unanimously to adjourn the meeting at 10:34 am. The LEPC Chair remained available after the meeting for committee members and our visitors to ask questions. The final conversation regarding our EPCRA activities ended at 11:45 am.