State Emergency Response Commission (SERC)

Regular Meeting

Wednesday, November 13, 2019

10:00 A.M.

45 State Drive, Waterbury, VT 05671

SERC Members Attended

• Kim Lapierre – Chair - Suburban Propane (Transportation Entity Seat)
• Todd Sears – Vice Chair – Agency of Transportation
• Erica Bornemann – Secretary - Vermont Emergency Management
• Erik Rosenbauer – Local Emergency Planning Commission 6 (LEPC Seat)
• Anne Macmillan - Agency of Agriculture, Food, & Markets
• Tim Cropley - Agency of Natural Resources
• Carl Rogers – Town of Barre (Municipal Seat)
• Matthew LaRock – Global Foundries (EHS Facility Seat)
• Steve Monahan – Department of Labor
• Christopher Dube – Prof. Firefighters of Vermont (Fire Service Seat)
• Chris Bell –Vermont Department of Health
• Prescott Nadeau – Williston Fire Department (EMS Seat)

SERC Members Absent

• Todd Cosgrove/Bruce Martin - Department of Public Safety
• Victoria (Tory) Littlefield – TRORC (RPC Seat)
• Ray Allen – Grand Isle Sheriff’s Department (Law Enforcement Seat)

Interested Persons Attending

• Rhonda Camley – Department of Public Safety
• Peter Lynch - Vermont Fire Academy
• Glenn Herrin – Vermont Emergency Management
• Sue Sharbino – Vermont Emergency Management
• Josh Cox – Vermont Emergency Management
• Leonard Wallace – Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

1. Call to Order - Kim Lapierre, Chair - 10:10 a.m.

2. Additions or Deletions to the Agenda

   Two Rivers presentation of Commodity Flow Study to be rescheduled
   Chief Cosgrove is not available today but submitted his reports for review
3. Roll Call – quorum met

4. Meeting Minutes
   Motion to approve minutes of Aug. 21, 2019 SERC meeting as submitted made by Chris Dube.
   The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

5. Public Comments – None

6. Community Right to Know / Tier II report and the Vermont Hazardous Materials Response Team (VHMRT) report filled by VHMRT Chief Cosgrove were reviewed.

7. ANR Spill Team Calls Report was reviewed by Tim Cropley.

8. Hazard Vulnerability Analysis Software presented by PEAC AristaTek
   The vendor demonstrated the functionality of their HazMat mapping and inventory software.
   Real time wind direction is built into the model, plume mapping would also depict surrounding facilities. Other vendors were discussed as well as the data VCGI already maintains for the state.

9. Glenn Herrin briefed on the presentation delivered to the LEPC Chairs and RPC support staff at the LEPC Annual Dinner.
   Erica Bornemann spoke about how the LEPC consolidation effort has only been information gathering up until this point. Key takeaways from LEPC Chair Dinner – Many LEPCs value the relationship building and the ability to do coordination and planning for all-hazards. The HMEP project support for LEPC plan writing was discussed as well. The LEPCs value the opportunity to meet on a regular basis but the requirements were too much on the EPCRA side. VEM staff has discussed the consolidation efforts as well. Consolidation doesn’t solve some of the problems that LEPCs are confronting. LEPC Chairs and RPC staff reiterated this at the LEPC Chair Dinner. The support the LEPCs need is planning support, mapping support. They are volunteers and their time is best used facilitating meetings and exercises.
   Various LEPC consolidation models were discussed. The directive to the LEPC Liaison Committee is to narrow and refine the consolidation options and present a decision briefing at the February 2020 Regular SERC Meeting. The goal is for the SERC to vote on a formal decision on LEPC consolidation at the February 2020 meeting. The LEPC Liaison Committee will meet in early December to begin this research.

10. Rhonda Camley reported on Hazchem balances for each LEPC.

11. Josh Cox reviewed the Hazchem scope of work for FY’21. There was various discussion on this topic and if the SERC wants to focus on any different activity. Does this body want to define the parameters on the scope of work in further detail? The HMEP project was discussed further and
how this could impact the planning work identified in the Hazchem scope of work. Josh Cox will work with Erica Bornemann to further refine the Hazchem scope of work for FY’21.

12. Christopher Dube was appointed to the SERC Finance Committee by the Chair.

13. Location of February 19, 2020 was decided upon as Suburban Propane in South Burlington.

14. A motion was made to Adjourn the meeting by Prescott Nadeau. The motion was seconded. The motion passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 12:20 P.M.

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