

**Minutes for Tarrant County Local Emergency Planning Committee Meeting
November 14, 2001
Chevron Terminal, 2525 Brennan Ave.**

Members Present

John Patterson – Fort Worth Fire/EMO
Brian Camp—Fort Worth Environmental Dept.
Robert Berndt—Tarrant County Transportation
Jason Lane—TNRCC
Jim Kerlin—TNRCC
Dr. Steven Cordas – Medical Toxicology
Rudy Garcia – JPS Health Network
Ian Singleton--Cook Children’s Medical Center
Lorrie Jansen--Cook Children’s Medical Center
John Galbraith, Tarrant County Hospital District
Larry McGee, All Saints Hospital
Ricky Burns—Bureau of Prisons FMC FTW
Merritt Kendall – DFW Airport DPS Fire/Rescue
Layne Beavers—Chevron

Ollene Vaughn – Chevron
Michael Leeper—Amon Carter Museum
Scotty Hearne—Ferro
Roy Samonte—Ferro
Johnny Srader – Motorola
Ray Bartik—Motorola
Tag Coolidge – Talem, Inc.
Sam Williams – Lockheed Martin Aeronautics
Ed Daniels – Lockheed Martin Aeronautics
Jerry Johnson—TXU
Howard Maynard—Eagle Construction
Gindi Eckel—Cantey & Hanger
Sam Bacon—Garner Environmental

I. Call to Order

Chairman Ed Daniels called the meeting to order at 2:42 pm.

II. Approval of Minutes

Chairman Daniels asked if there were any corrections to the minutes. Seeing none, Chairman Daniels asked for a motion to accept the minutes. The approval was motioned and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

III. Financial Report

Treasurer Jim Stewart reported a current balance of \$3925.44. Acceptance of the financial statement was moved, seconded, and passed unanimously by the members of the LEPC.

IV. Old Business

Chairman Daniels asked if the committee had any old business to discuss. Seeing none, he continued with the agenda.

V. New Business

a. Hazardous Materials Emergency Preparedness Grant

The membership was brought up to speed on the grant passed during the emergency LEPC meeting on October 25, 2001. A full complete version of the grant package was shared with the membership. The grant is presently under review by the Texas Department of Public Safety—Division of Emergency Management

b. Drinking Water Safety

EPA Administrator Christie Whitman allayed fears that the nation’s water systems could be contaminated by a terrorism action. Administrator Whitman says the EPA

believes the possibility of successful contamination is small because it would take a large amount of material to threaten the safety of a water system.

c. RMP Sites Taken Down

In response to the events of September 11th, a number of Federal agencies have taken down websites that contain information that could be beneficial to the planning of terrorism events. The EPA has taken down the Risk Management Plan website that contained information on emergency plans and chemicals for 15,000 facilities. The Department of Transportation removed pipeline mapping information and a study on the risk profiles of certain chemicals. The Centers for Disease Control removed a report that describes industry shortcomings in preparing for a terrorism event.

d. Chemical Emergency Preparedness & Prevention Documents

EPA issues a number of documents a month on emergency preparedness and prevention in regards to chemicals. Each member received a copy of the most recent ones. There is a complete CD of each of these documents produced by the EPA. Anyone interested in any of the documents may contact John Patterson and request one or request the whole CD by call 871-6171.

e. Chemical Site Security Guidelines

The American Chemistry Council, the Chlorine Institute and the Synthetic Organic Chemical Manufacturers Association have produced some security guidelines for the US chemical industry to provide them guidance on preparing plans for emergency and security issues. The complete guidelines can be downloaded at www.americanchemistry.com.

f. EMWIN

Ray Bartik of Motorola introduced the membership to a new software called EMWIN that allows users to obtain weather forecast, warnings, and other information directly from the National Weather Service (NWS) in almost real time through direct satellite or repeat radio.

VI. Facility Tour of the Chevron Terminal

The LEPC would like to thank Layne Beavers and Ollene Vaughn the refreshments and tour of the Chevron Terminal facility and sharing with the committee the processes of the facility.

VII. Questions, Comments, Announcements

There were no questions, comments or announcements.

VIII. Future Meetings

- a. February 20, 2002—Fire and Police Training
- b. May 15, 2002—TBD
- c. August 21, 2002—TBD
- d. November 20, 2002—TBD

IX. Adjournment

As there were no more questions, comments, announcements, meeting adjournment was motioned and seconded. The meeting was adjourned at 4:13pm.

Respectfully Submitted

Stephen Tidd, Secretary

Date