

MONTGOMERY/GREENE COUNTY
LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COUNCIL

MGCLERC Meeting Minutes –
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MINUTES OF MEETING

FRIDAY, JULY 26, 2002
GREENE COUNTY SOCAIL SERVICES CENTER -MEDIA ROOM
541 LEDBETTER ROAD
XENIA, OHIO 45385

MEMBERS PRESENT

Rosanne Anders – Miami Valley EMA
Raymond Baker – Wright-Patterson AFB
Tim Ballard – Mont. Co. Sanitary Engineering
Robert Bauer - Citizen
Ed Beckley – General Motors Corporation
(Alt. for Holley Hanes)
Patricia Bernitt - Greater Dayton Area Hospital Assn.
Dennis Bristow – Regional Haz/Mat Coordinator
Jeffrey Busch - Montgomery Co. Police Chiefs Assn.
(Alt. for David Vore)
Jeff Cooper - Reg. Air Pollution Control Agency
(Alt. for James Gross)
Tim Denger – Greene Co. Public Works
Angie Duvall – Cargill, Inc.
Maj. William Gooden – WPAFB Bioenvironmental
Ralph Harper – Greene County Commissioners
Beth Lackey – Greene Co. Health Department
Pete Lane - OSU Extension – Montgomery County
Ken LeBlanc - Miami Valley Regional Planning
Comm.
(Alt. for Nora Lake)
Gerry Mahan – OSU Extension – Greene County
Jim Napier – Greater Dayton RTA
Michael Phillips – Mont. Co. Combined Health District
David Price - Greene County Fire Chief's Association
Jerry Rapp – Tate & Lyle
Tim Reichard - Ashland Chemical
Kevin Sedensky – Montgomery County Commissioners
(Alt. for Charles Curran)

Aaron Smith – ChemFirst Electronic Materials, Inc.
Donna Winchester – Dayton Water Department
Deborah Preston - Montgomery County Twp. Assn.
(Alt. for Doug Zink)

MEMBERS NOT PRESENT

Tom Byrne - DELPHI
Jeffrey DeVoe - Greene Co. Law Enforcement Assn.
Judy Elder – American Red Cross Greene County
Lester Flohr – Dayton Fire Department
Robert Miles - Montgomery Co. Fire Chiefs
Ron Moorefield – Amateur Radio Emergency Services
Fran O'Shaughnessy – American Red Cross- Dayton
Gavine Pitner - League of Women Voters
Bruce Sucher - Dayton Area Managers Association
Nancy Wilson – WHIO-TV, WHIO/WHKO Radio
Jennifer Wise – Sinclair Community College

ALTERNATE WITH MEMBER PRESENT

None

NONMEMBERS PRESENT

Leslie Tipton – Dayton Fire Department

I. **Call to Order:** Ms. Duvall called the meeting to order at 8:30 a.m. She noted a quorum was present.

II. **Introductions:** Ms. Duvall asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

III. **Approval of April 26, 2002 Minutes:** Mr. Harper moved, seconded by Chief Price that the minutes of the April 26, 2002 quarterly meeting be approved as submitted. The motion was unanimously approved. (26-0-0)

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IV. **Emergency Operations Plan Update:** Ms. Anders noted the plan was being updated in two parts. She was completing Greene County information and Mr. Lach was completing the Montgomery County information. Mr. Bristow was updating the relevant Haz/Mat information.

V. **Annual Exercise Status:** Mr. Bristow noted the Haz/Mat team participated in railroad training at the Dayton Fire Training Center with Norfolk Southern Railroad. The possibility of a joint exercise with the Greater Dayton RTA was still open. It was suggested an exercise committee form to plan out the exercise and eligibility for PUCO funds be examined. Mr. Napier said there is a possibility for some FTA funds, also. Mr. LeBlanc noted the MGCLERC needs to have an exercise before June 30, 2003.

VI. **Information Coordinator Report:** Mr. LeBlanc noted four Haz/Mat truck surveys were completed in June. They surveyed strategic intersections near smaller industrial areas in communities not covered by previous efforts. The four communities were Brookville, Englewood, Huber Heights and Fairborn. There was much less variety of hazardous materials than on the freeways or near the larger industrial areas. The most frequently-seen placards were for gasoline and other fuels. A greater variety of placards were seen at the Huber Heights location due to its proximity to an interstate interchange and larger industrial park. The LEPC Conference will be held August 13 at the Radisson North in Columbus. Mr. LeBlanc read the agenda and noted registration sheets were on the back table. Mr. LeBlanc also noted the inventory reporting fee increase passed by the Ohio Legislature in 2001 has resulted in an approximate 50% increase in state funding for the Right-To-Know program. MGCLERC will receive an increase of approximately \$20,000 this year. As part of industry support for the fee increase, the State Emergency Response Commission is working on establishing an electronic reporting system for Ohio. The SERC is investigating the compatibility of the new release of CAMEO software and the USEPA's TIER II SUBMIT software. The TIER II SUBMIT software has the capability to be modified somewhat to include additional reporting requirements of the individual states. Mr. LeBlanc said the SERC is looking for volunteer LEPCs and industries to test the system in 2003. The goal is to have SERC, LEPC and Fire Department capability to accept electronic reporting by March, 2004. Mr. LeBlanc also noted MVRPC is conducting a study of intelligent transportation system options for the freeway system in the Miami Valley. The study will look at the feasibility of dynamic message signs, traffic detection devices, potential video camera locations, highway advisory radio, and a traffic operations center for the region. He said the study will involve law enforcement and emergency responders, especially regarding incident management on the freeways. He also mentioned the Citizen Corps program proposed by President Bush. Fran O'Shaughnessy with the Dayton Area American Red Cross is the key contact locally.

VII. **Compliance Program:** Mr. Bristow noted the committee recently met to examine which companies have quit reporting. He said site inspections at some facilities are being started. Mr. LeBlanc was requested to check on whether Mr. Foley and Mr. Dezarn were still assigned to MGCLERC from the Prosecutor's office in each county.

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VIII. **Special Presentation – Mitch Lach – Miami Valley EMA:** Mr. LeBlanc introduced Mr. Lach, Deputy Director at the Miami Valley Emergency Management Authority. Mr. Lach gave a presentation on Hazard Mitigation Planning, defined as any action to reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural and man-made hazards. He explained the Stafford Act requires communities to have a natural hazards mitigation plan in order to be eligible for future pre-disaster and post-disaster mitigation funds. The process requires forming a core planning group, conducting a hazards analysis, set goals, and identifying possible mitigation activities among the following six categories: preventative; property protection; emergency services measures; structural projects; natural resource protection; and public information. Activities are to be selected based on a scoring matrix. The plan must document the planning process and public input. Prior to adoption by local jurisdictions, the mitigation plans must be reviewed by the Ohio EMA and FEMA. The plans must be approved by FEMA by November 1, 2003 in order to qualify the community for future mitigation plan funding.

IX. **Other Business:** Mr. Bristow said the Haz/Mat team has a new laptop computer. Ms. Anders said there will be a Weapons of Mass Destruction Awareness and Operations class on September 12. The awareness portion will be from 8-12 a.m. and the operations portion will be held from 12-5 p.m. Contact her for more information.

X. **Adjourn:** Mr. Bristow moved the meeting be adjourned at 9:11 a.m., seconded by Ms. Anders. Motion unanimously approved (26-0-0)

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