

MONTGOMERY/GREENE COUNTY  
LOCAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 1998

MIAMI VALLEY REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION  
40 WEST FOURTH CENTRE - 3<sup>rd</sup> FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM  
DAYTON, OHIO 45402

**MEMBERS PRESENT**

Robert Bauer - Southwestern Portland Cement  
Patricia Bernitt - Greater Dayton Area Hospital Assn.  
Gary Caprarotta - MV Emergency Mgmt. Authority  
Cynette Cavalier - General Motors Corporation  
(Alt. for Ed Wroblewski)  
Jeffrey DeVoe - Greene Co. Law Enforcement Assn.  
Michael Dickey - Montgomery Co. Police Chiefs Assn.  
Joann Fritz - Montgomery County Township Assn.  
(Alt. For Doug Zink)  
James W. Gross - Reg. Air Pollution Control Agency  
Ernie Hudson - Amateur Radio Emergency Services  
(Alt. for Ron Moorefield)  
Ed Kovar - Miami Valley Emergency Mgmt. Authority  
Pete Lane - Mont. Co. Agricultural Extension  
Ken LeBlanc - Miami Valley Regional Planning Comm.  
(Alt. for Nora Lake)  
Andrea Lapp - Greene Co. Agricultural Extension  
(Alt. For Jerry Mahan)  
J. Michael Phillips - Mont. Co. Comb. Health District  
David Price - Greene County Fire Chief's Association  
Jerry L. Rapp - A. E. Staley  
Tim Reichard - Ashland Chemical  
Billy Ring - Dayton Regional Haz/Mat  
Aaron Smith - Quality Chemicals  
Andrew Steele - Dayton Fire Department  
(Alt. for Barry Holbrook)  
Bruce Sucher - Dayton Area Managers Network  
Chris Tumbusch - WPAFB

Nancy Wilson - WHIO/WHKO Radio  
Donna Winchester – Dayton Water Department  
Carol Winslow - League of Women Voters

**MEMBERS NOT PRESENT**

Gerald Alcorn - Mont. Co. Fire Chiefs  
Jeanna Bailley - American Red Cross - Greene Co.  
Tim Ballard - Mont. Co. Sanitary Engineering  
T. Shawn Campbell – Greene County Commissioners  
Tim Denger - Greene Co. Public Works  
Chris Foster - Cargill, Inc.  
Jane O'Dell – Greene County Health Department  
Kerry Onyett - American Red Cross - Dayton Area  
Vicki Pegg - Montgomery Co. Commissioners  
Ned Pennock - Miami Conservancy District  
Otis Stanaford - MV Regional Transit Authority

**ALTERNATES (MEMBER ALSO PRESENT)**

Tammi Clements - Dayton Water Department

**NONMEMBERS PRESENT**

Mark Boden – Ohio EPA  
Kevin Chesar - MVRPC  
Scott Glum - MVRPC  
Tim Marcus – USDOE Mopund

I. **Call to Order:** Mr. Price called the meeting to order at 8:36 a.m. He noted a quorum was present.

II. **Introductions:** Mr. Price asked everyone in attendance to introduce themselves.

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III. **Approval of July 31, 1998 Meeting Minutes:** Mr. Lane moved, seconded by Mr. Gross, that the minutes of the July 31, 1998 quarterly meeting be approved with the noted change. The motion was unanimously approved 25-0-0.

IV. **Railroad Haz/Mat Survey:** Mr. LeBlanc presented a summary of the Hazardous Materials Railroad Survey report. A copy of the report was passed out to everyone in attendance. The most frequently observed placard was "1075" representing LPG gas or propane. The next most frequently observed placards were "3082" (Environmentally Hazardous Substances, n.o.s.), "1993" (Flammable Liquid, poisonous; Combustible Liquid; Fuel Oil; etc.), "1830" (Sulfuric Acid), "3257" (Elevated Temperature Liquid, n.o.s., at or above 100°C and below its flash point), and "1017" (Chlorine). The CSXT rail line had a significantly higher number of observed placards. When the totals were combined for both railroads, about half the trains carried placarded cars and about 6% of all rail cars were placarded. Almost all of the placards were on tank cars, with only a few on multi-modal containers and covered hoppers. Also, most of the placarded cars were observed between 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Fourteen different types of EHS were indicated, accounting for approximately 22% of the 466 total placards observed.

V. **Hazards Analysis:** Mr. Caprarotta explained a hazards analysis has been conducted along the rail lines in conjunction with the study. He has been working with local fire departments to accomplish the ability to link the MVEMA hazards analysis information to CAMEO systems used by the fire departments.

VI. **Risk Management Plans:** Mr. LeBlanc said June 20, 1999 is the deadline for submitting risk management plans to USEPA as required by the 1990 Clean Air Act Amendments Section 112r. The most common types of facilities included in the requirement are those with chlorine, ammonia, and propane. Mr. LeBlanc and Mr. Caprarotta are working with a group to organize a local workshop on the requirements. The plans must be submitted to LEPCs. MGCLERC should be investigating how it will deal with public inquiries about plans submitted. Ms. Winchester asked when the plans are to be put on the internet. Mr. LeBlanc said USEPA is looking at putting them on the web just after they are submitted.

VII. **Compliance/Enforcement Committee:** Mr. Kovar said a number of letters were sent to facilities fining them for failing to submit their inventory reports to MGCLERC within the last five years. Many of the facilities filed with the SERC and paid the state fees, however, they failed to file with the MGCLERC and often also failed to file with the local fire department. The letters have a November 25 deadline. Mr. Steele asked if there was a pattern to the type of business not complying, such as size. Mr. Kovar said no.

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VIII. **SERC Report:** Mr. LeBlanc said the State Emergency Response Commission concurred with the 1998 updates to the Montgomery/Greene plan on October 14. He also noted the comment period had closed regarding USEPA's proposed change to the Code of Federal Regulations exempting inventory reporting under SARA Title III for retail gasoline stations having less than 75,000 gallons of gasoline on-site. A decision is expected early in 1999. Mr. LeBlanc also noted Ohio-based speaker kits were sent to all LEPCs by the SERC. He played the short introductory videotape. Ohio's lock box rules became effective September 1. The annual SERC grants to LEPCs have been delayed due to installation of a new Ohio EPA revenue system. Also, the USEPA is beginning a compliance program targeting the plating industry

IX. **New Business:** Mr. Phillips said he and Mr. Caprarotta have talked about adding an annex to the local plan regarding terrorism. He requested a committee be formed of local fire, police, hospital, health, and WPAFB representatives to work on this subject. The committee would bring the concept to MGCLERC for assistance. Mr. Caprarotta said Montgomery County is #40 on the US Department of Treasury's list of key target areas. Funding for training will be available in 2000. Mr. Dickey said a copy of the C-SPAN program on terrorism should be made as a beginning point, possibly showing it at the next meeting. Mr. Phillips suggested a committee with a core group of about seven people. Mr. Phillips, Mr. Caprarotta, and Ms. Bernitt agreed to sit on the committee.

Ms. Bernitt informed the group the State of Ohio has a plan to consolidate three poison control centers into one center in Cincinnati. In the Miami Valley, poison control center funding is through adult hospitals. This is not a common arrangement. In Cincinnati, industry funds it, and in Columbus, the children's hospital and some industries fund it. About \$200,000 per year is needed for funding. A fee of \$75-\$100 per call is being investigated. Mr. Steele suggested a national poison control center. Mr. Dickey said local officials should be informed of the situation via a letter campaign. Mr. Phillips moved a letter of support be sent to local officials, seconded by Mr. Kovar. Motion unanimously approved 25-0-0.

X. **Adjourn:** Mr. Sucher moved, seconded by Mr. Phillips, that the meeting be adjourned at 9:25 a.m. Motion unanimously passed 25-0-0.

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- XI. **Special Presentation – Cessation of Regulated Facilities (CRO) Program:** Mr. Ring introduced Mark Boden, Ohio EPA staff person for the Cessation of Regulated Operations (CRO) Program. Mr. Boden said there are over 11,000 facilities in Ohio having a total of over 400,000 regulated substances. Approximately 300 drop off Ohio EPA's lists each year. There are three cessation classifications: permanently ceased, temporarily ceased, and abandoned. Facilities ceasing operations must notify Ohio EPA within 30 days after ceasing operations and complete any clean-up within 90 days. An inspection is required by state law. If the inspection is refused, Ohio EPA can obtain a search warrant. Facilities must complete an operation and maintenance plan for temporary closures. Approximately 600 facilities have been in the CRO program. Quite a few have been brought into the program via tips by local public officials. Ms. Winchester inquired how asbestos fits into the CRO program. Mr. Boden said there is a line on the CRO form to check yes or no if asbestos is present in the facility. He then notifies the appropriate agency for asbestos clean-up.