Marshall County Local Emergency Planning Committee

Curt Curtner 1101 Main Benton, Kentucky 42025 (270) 527-4739 Curt.Curtner@marshallcountyky.gov

The Marshall County Emergency Planning Committee met at 2:30 pm on Thursday, November 17, 2016 at the Calvert City Training Center. Curt Curtner called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Curt Curtner EM, Darlene Lynn EM, Jean Schneiderman Lubrizol, Jay Fulton Arkema, Corinne Greenberg Carbide Industries, Steve Kelly Coast Guard, Robert Fortier Coast Guard, John Ward Calvert City, Duane Hawes Benton Fire Dept., Ron Jones Westlake, Dustin Davis Westlake, Rebecca Wood 3A Composites, Fred Ross Calvert City Fire Dept.

Curt Curtner called the meeting to order with introductions being made around the room.

Curt Curtner presented the past LEPC meeting minutes report for approval. Minutes were accepted and approved by Duane Hawes and seconded by John Ward. Darlene Lynn presented the Treasurer's report due to Jenny Shelton being unable to attend. Report was approved by Ron Jones and seconded by John Ward.

Old Business:

- a. Tab Q Updates Most of the Tab's will be administrative again this year. Tab's will be sent out by the first of the year and are due back to the EM office by the end of February. We will be losing 2 Company's this year. Gerdau Steel has closed their plant and Air Products has been sold.
- **b. By-law Committee** No by-laws have been found by anyone on the committee. The committee has not met to discuss the by-laws, but John Ward stated that he will get a meeting set up so they can make any changes that may be necessary to the ones that have been put together.
- **c.** Westlake's Annual Exercise Dustin Davis stated that the exercise for this year will be held on December 9th. It will be a spill drill and Dustin will get the the information out as soon as possible. Also, they are hoping to have the E.O.C. finished by next week.

New Business:

- **a.** Jeremy Blansett has been named the new Region 1 EM Manager for this area and will oversee 12 counties.
- b. The Public Right to Know Notice has been published in the Lake News and posted to Sharepoint.
- c. **Good Neighbor Night** was held on November 3rd. It was stated that it was the 3rd highest attendance with approximately 1433 people in attendance.

Training: a) Calvert City Christmas Parade – December 3rd @ 5:15 p.m.

- b) Dickens Christmas in Benton December 10th @ 6:00 p.m.
- c) HazMat IQ Ammonia Ethanol and Chlorine Response in Trigg County February
- d) Responding to Incidents Involving Flammable Liquids Transported by Rail in Fulton on February 25th. (KYEM)
- e) EOC Management and Operation in Trigg County on May 3rd & 4th. (KYEM)

These classes and more can be found on the KYEM website at http://kyem.ky.gov/training.

Open Forum (Additional New Information):

a. A lot of discussion was held about the Train Derailment that happened around 10:00 p.m. on November 1st. There was some misrepresentation on releasing information. Sara Title III is to inform the public with the Right to Know. Code Red was utilized for the citizens of Calvert City with 60% of the calls reached in 17 minutes with basic information only. The news media outlets were not being given the contents of the railcars that were turned over so they were a bit upset with the agencies that were on scene. It was stated that When to Sound the Alarm would be when they ae certain there is an imminent threat.

There were teams on the ground monitoring air quality 24/7 with Hazmat teams holding briefings every morning.

Jay Fulton just wanted to commend everyone on a job well done. He stated that in his opinion, everyone was very qualified, professional and thought it was a success all around.

We still do not know the exact cause of the derailment at this time.

- b. Coast Guard wanted to let everyone know that if there are any flooding or high water issues to give them a call.
- c. Jean Schneiderman with Lubrizol stated that they were moving into their new Administrative building and that it was huge.
- d. Ron Jones wanted to Thank the City for all their work on the Training Center. It has come a long way in looking good and for the upgrades for training. John Ward stated that Bob Futtrell with the City's Facility Maintenance has been on top of accomplishing everything that has been asked.
- e. Rebecca Wood with 3A Composites would like any information on any upcoming 40 hour HazWhopper Classes that may be in our area.

No more business so Duane Hawes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Fred Ross seconded the motion. Meeting dismissed at 3:45 p.m.

Next meeting will be in the Spring. Details will be sent as soon as they are known.