

La Porte, Morgan's Point & Shoreacres



## **Meeting Agenda**

September 10, 2015

11:00 AM

LPISD Support Services Building located at 2015 Sens Road, La Porte, TX

Call To Order

Introductions

Approval of Minutes from Prior Month

Committee Reports

- Emergency Communications: Kristin Gauthier
  - A. Incidents
  - B. Reverse Drills
- Emergency Response and Resources: Richard Bass
- Hazardous Materials Facilities Liaison: Burch Estes
- Planning: Donald Price
- Public Education & Information: Bill Bower
- Safety Fair: Misty Bridges
- Treasurer's Report: Misty Bridges
- Other

Old Business

- Annual Contributions were due March 1<sup>st</sup> – Discuss unpaid contributions
- LEPC Workshop – September 15<sup>th</sup>
- E-Notify User Training – Kristin Gauthier

New Business

- Vote on Public Education Committee Chairperson
- HMEP Grant Application – Kristin Gauthier
- Presentation by David Bierling, Conclusion of Commodity Flow Study
- Presentation by Dr. Holland Jordan, Director of ChemStewards SOCMA
- Presentation by Tim Buchanan, INEOS O&P

Adjournment



## **Meeting Minutes**

August 13, 2015

### **Call To Order**

Jeff Suggs called to order the regular meeting of the LEPC on August 13, 2015 at 11:07 a.m. at 2015 Sens Road, La Porte, Texas.

### **Introductions**

Introductions were made around the room.

### **Approval of Minutes from Last Meeting**

A motion by Kristin Gauthier, City of La Porte, was made to accept the July 9, 2015 meeting minutes. Richard Bass, Kuraray, seconded the motion. A vote was taken; Motion carried.

### **Reports**

#### **a) Emergency Communications – Kristin Gauthier:**

##### **1. Incidents –**

- AkzoNobel Battleground – Ron Wilson: On August 12<sup>th</sup> at approximately 6:00 a.m. the site reported through e-notify that they had experienced a level 2 event. They had a small localized fire in the HPMO area of the plant. The site alarm was sounded and the fire was put out by the site Emergency Response Team. No injuries occurred and there was no off-site impact. The incident was reported as a level 2 as a precautionary measure.
- Lubrizol – Rick Deel: Lubrizol put out a non-level 2 during some training they were conducting. The alert was meant to be put out on the test side but accidentally went out on the live side. They were immediately notified of the error and made phone calls to rectify the situation.
- Albemarle – David Lima: On 7/15/15, an emissions report was submitted from the Albemarle Bayport plant to the NRC, SERC, and LEPC. The report stems from an updated assessment of point source emissions conducted in conjunction with assembling necessary information for an air permit revision. Historical understanding of the process emissions from a particular grade of catalyst manufacture indicated that the nitric acid used in the process was being fully oxidized and emitted as NO<sub>x</sub>, which was reflected and is authorized in the current air permit. Further investigation by R&D suggested that some emissions were actually in the form of nitric acid as opposed to NO<sub>x</sub>. These findings, and a corrective action plan, were fully communicated to TCEQ under the TX Audit Privilege Act. A month prior to the report, a pre-application meeting was held with the TCEQ air permitting group in Austin. Consensus was obtained on a path forward for revising the permit to include options for either a green chemistry solution (reformulation) or abatement technology. Notifications were also made in accordance with EPA guidance. Following submission of these reports, three groups within TCEQ were proactively engaged: 1) Region 12, 2) Air Dispersion Modeling, and 3) Toxicology. Emission quantities and rates were fully assessed by a third party consultant that specializes in air dispersion modeling. These results were submitted to, and reviewed by, the TCEQ air modeling group.
- Kristin spoke in regards to the Emergency Communications Committee. There are only two members and they need more so if you are not a member of a committee yet, please consider joining this committee where there is help needed.

##### **2. Reverse Drills**

- a. 7/20/15 @ 1000 hours: Metton America – Tried to call several times, but the number goes straight to voicemail. Need to check their 24 hour number.
- b. 7/22/15 @ 2000 hours: Linde Gas North America – All clear issued at 2022 hours, no issues.
- c. 7/24/15 @ 0200 hours: Lubrizol – All clear issued at 0249 hours, no issues.
- d. 7/28/15 @ 2000 hours: Nissan Chemical – No answer on any listed line, need to check 24 hour number.
- e. 8/5/15 @ 0200 hours: Noltex – All clear issued at 0218 hours, no issues.
- f. 8/11/15 @ 1000 hours: LyondellBasell Choate – Emerge response at 10:13, but no all clear was issued.

- b) **Emergency Response & Resources – Richard Bass:** Richard's committee will be meeting for the final time today after this meeting to discuss the drill, which is coming up in 2 weeks. All four CIMA zones are participating, but we will be working with the Zone 4 drill. All four zones haven't been done at the same time since 2008. If you haven't put in your commitment forms for the drill, please do so ASAP.
- c) **Hazardous Materials Facility Liaison – Burch Estes:** No update
- d) **Planning –** No update.
- e) **Public Education & Information – Bill Bower:** New teacher orientation has been completed, but the support services training had to be rescheduled. Executive Committee was able to participate in something interesting this past week. The Texas A&M Transportation Institute chose six LEPCs to participate in a focus group to help update the LEPC handbook. Successful and proactive LEPCs were chosen to provide information on their programs. It is a compliment that our LEPC was selected to participate. Kudos to everyone for making our LEPC one of the best.
- f) **Safety Fair – Misty Bridges:** The date has been set for September 26<sup>th</sup> from 9-1:00pm. There is a stack of registration forms in the back of the room and we are still looking for donations in the form of door prizes or food/drinks. So far we have about 50 vendors registered, but still have plenty of spots available. If you are planning to participate, please complete the form and get it back to us ASAP.
- g) **Treasurer's Report:** We received \$4,041.80 this month from member contributions. Total Disbursements of \$10,056.83 which included lunch, secretarial services, Safety Fair supplies, tax audit, Drill & Exercise Design payment and our final SIP Video payment. Ending Balance as of July 31, 2015 was \$77,081.00.

### Old Business

- Contributions Due – Contributions for 2015 were due on March 1<sup>st</sup> and there are still 8 companies who have not paid. Jeff will be visiting with each company that is in attendance personally after the meeting to let them know.
- LEPC Workshop – Kristin wanted to remind everyone that we are co-hosting the EPA Region 6 LEPC Workshop on September 15<sup>th</sup> (\$500 contribution for meals). There are flyers in the back of the room and you must register to attend.
- Vote on Budget – Jeff reminded everyone of the changes proposed for the 2016 budget which ended up with an overall decrease of \$1,126. A motion was made by Kristin Gauthier to approve the budget, motion was seconded by Ron Wilson. Vote was taken and motion carried to approve the 2016 budget as is.
- Attendance – Jeff wanted to discuss attendance at the LEPC meetings. There are quite a few companies who have not been attending, even though they are required to do so and Jeff attributes that to confusion as to which LEPC they may belong to due to having Pasadena addresses. There will probably be a list next month of those not attending in hopes of maybe getting contact information for those facilities who may be your neighbors.

### New Business

- PIO/JIC Training – Dena said they are hosting a training which will be taught by Chuck Wolf and there are still 15 spots available. It is \$285 for the class and registration ends tomorrow so get your employees registered if they're interested. Email Dena for more information.
- Emerge Updates – Dan Heiken: They completed the transition to the new hardware. The upgrade included a new operating system, database and mapping system. There was very little change to the user interface so fixed facility users would not notice many differences. They added more map display and query capability to make the system more usable to pipeline operators. In the notification processing, they are now making sure that every organization notified on any previous submittal of an event gets all notifications, not just the all clear. Also, if a facility downgrades the level of the incident, the email notifications will be based on the highest level submitted for that incident. They have also added the US Coast Guard Sector Houston Galveston to the notifications although with their strict IT regulations, at this point they only receive email and text notifications.
- E-Notify User Training – Kristin wanted to inform everyone there will be a training September 22<sup>nd</sup> in Pasadena and September 23<sup>rd</sup> in La Porte. There is a flyer in the back of the room and you must register to attend. This training is ideal for new employees who are responsible for using the system or new facilities who have come online recently who may not be comfortable with the program yet.
- Sun Products – Scott Eady: It was announced in July that Sun Products entered into a sole source agreement and they will be closing the Sun Products plant on Bay Area Blvd in September. There are 122 employees who stand to lose their jobs and they are working to try to relocate these employees to new jobs in the area. If anyone has any positions open, please let their HR Department know, as they are heading up the task of helping them gain new employment.
- Presentation by Ron Wilson, AkzoNobel Battleground – Gave a presentation regarding the facility and its responsibilities.

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made and passed. Meeting adjourned @ 11:50 a.m.

**2015 Monthly membership meetings:**

January 8, 2015  
February 12, 2015  
March 12, 2015  
April 9, 2015  
May 14, 2015  
June 11, 2015  
July 9, 2015  
August 13, 2015  
September 10, 2015  
October 8, 2015  
November 12, 2015  
December 10, 2015

LA PORTE, MORGAN'S POINT, & SHOREACRES LEPC **TREASURER'S REPORT**



REPORT DATE: September 10, 2015

**BALANCE AS OF LAST REPORT: August 13, 2015**

Checking Account Balance \$77,081.00

**TOTAL FUNDS: \$77,081.00**

**RECEIPTS SINCE LAST MEETING:**

\$18,634.00

**TOTAL RECEIPTS SINCE LAST MEETING: \$18,634.00**

**DISBURSEMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING:**

\$29,104.10

**TOTAL DISBURSEMENTS SINCE LAST MEETING: \$29,104.10**

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Checking Account Balance as of August 31, 2015 \$66,610.90

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**TOTAL AVAILABLE FUNDS as of August 31, 2015 \$66,610.90**

*Misty Bridges*

La Porte LEPC Coordinator

# 2015 LA PORTE EPC MEMBERS

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COMPANY	CLASS	REPRESENTATIVE	INIT	COMMITTEE/ ROLE	ALTERNATE REP	INIT	COMMITTEE/ ROLE
Air Gas	D	Harris, Ashley	AM		Adams, Don		
Air Liquide - Bayport	C	Johnson, Greg	JS	Other	Hollywood, Mark		Other
Air Liquide - La Porte	C	Lopez, Rene					
Air Liquide - La Porte SMR	C	Lopez, Rene					
Air Products, L.P. - La Porte	C	Harp, Steve			Kourpous, Demetrios (Jim)		
AKZO Nobel Chemicals - Pasadena	C	Bower, Bill	BW	PE&I Chair	Martinez, Joshua		
AKZO Nobel Polymers, L.L.C. - Battleground	C	Wilson, Ron	W	PE&I	Tribble, Allen		ER&R
Albemarle, L.L.C. - Pasadena	C	Shilt, Todd	TS		Hance, Erin		
ALTIVIA (formerly Axiall)	C	Christianson, Steve		PMNL	Grimes, Jeff		
AMPAC Fine Chemical		Rau, Dave			Doty, Jeff		
Athlon Solutions	C	Lathan, William	WL	other	Jackson, Jody		
Baker Petrolite - Pasadena	C	Buffington, Stephan		ER&R	Henderson, Michael		
Bayport Industrial							
BASF (formerly COGNIS)	C	Belbas, John	JB	HMFL	Garcia, Gabriel		
BRASKEM, PP Americas	C	Ludwig, Ken		Other	Menard, Huey		
CBSL	D	Kogut, Joe		Other	Gonzalez, Gerardo		Other
Chem-Coast Inc.	F	Detwiler, Rick			Murray, Phil		
Chemical Lime Co. (Lhoist North America)	C	Potter, Watson					
Chemours		<del>BOOZER, LISA</del> Gallion, James		SF	GALLION, JAMES		
Chevron Phillips	C	Royall, Randy	RR	EC	Morris, Russell		Golf Committee

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City of La Porte	E	Gauthier, Kristin		Comm. Committee Chair	Mahan, Dena		
City of Morgan's Point	E	Ditrich, Sherri		Other	Richardson, Bryan		
City of Shoreacres	E	Stall, David		EC	Harrison, Troy	TOH	
Clear Lake Chemicals (No longer Company)	C	Campbell, Rick		Other	Holt, Sara		Other
CTEH	A	Riggs, Dave			Mack, April	JS	
DB Western, Inc.	C	Hextell, Dean	DK	PE&I	Bocksnick, Mike		PE&I
Dana Suttles	D	Birdwell, Donna					
Dow Chemical - Bayport	D	Cook, Ray	RC	ER&R	Upchurch, Dale Russell, Ray	DL	
Dow Chemical - La Porte	C	Cook, Ray	RC	ER&R	Upchurch, Dale		
Dow Pipeline		Cloud, Larry	LC				
DuPont - La Porte	C	McDonald, Lakeah	LM	HMFL/SF	Roberts, Kevin		
E.R. Carpenter L.P.	C	Catron, Mike	MC	PL	Kapfer, Andy		
Enterprise Products Operating L.P.	B	Farmer, James		EC	Ricky Buckhorn Michael Mouton		
Equistar Pipeline	B	Russell, Kevin	KR	Other	LeBlanc, Greg		
Eurecat U.S. INC.	C	Estes, Burch	BE	Hazmat Comm. Chair	McCulloch, Fred		
EXEL Inc.	F	Webb, Corey					
EXXONMobil Pipeline Co.	B	Melendez, Jamie		Haz Waste	Wischnewsky, Chris		
Garner Environmental Services, Inc.	A	Fair, Breanna		ER&R	Carlton, Tonja		
Gas Innovations	D	Brandt, Christ	CB		Madray, Ashley		
Goodyear Tire & Rubber	C	Bainter, Bonnie		PE&I/SF	Hebert, Valerie		

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Greif	F	Ramirez, Ruben		Other	Chirstensen, Patrice		Other
Gulbrandsen Technologies	C	Mejias, Edgar			Walcott, Bryan		
HARCROS Chemicals	C	Childress, Monica		Other	Roger, Mary		
Highway Transport Chemical LLC	D	Mueller, Danny			Hall, Barry		
INEOS Olefins & Polymers USA	C	Buchanan, Tim	<i>TJB</i>	Haz Waste	Turner, Don		
INEOS Oligomers	C	Fowler, Melinda			Dowdy, Jed		
Intergulf	F	Wallace, Stephen	<i>SW</i>	Membership	Minter, Chris	<i>CM</i>	Membership
Invista	C	<sup>S</sup> Maron, Alan	<i>AM</i>	Other	Baker, James D & Zachary Rumph	<i>ZR</i>	Other
ITC (not required to pay contribution)	C	Holley, Carl		ER&R	Davila, Jesus		
Jacobson Warehouse	F	Bay, Curtis			Clark, Edward	<i>EC</i>	
Kinder Morgan		Allen, Darren			Yellot, Aron		
Kior, Corp.		JC Delgado			Steve Hawkes		
Kuraray America EVAL	C	Kuhfeldt, Sheryl	<i>SK</i>	EC	Bass, Richard	<i>RB</i>	ER&R
Kuraray America POVAL		DeVries, Jennifer	<i>JD</i>				
Kuraray America Septon	C	Bass, Richard	<i>RB</i>	EC	Suggs, Jeff		
La Porte ISD	G	Culver, Kimberly	<i>KC</i>	PE&I/SF			
Linde Gas, L.L.C.	C	McClain, Kevin		PL			
Lonestar Ecology		Stringer, Watt		HMFL	Hartley, Joel		
Lubrizol - Bayport	C	Mitchell, Benedict/ Sonnier, David	<i>DS</i>	ER&R	Greene, Scott / Deel, Rick	<i>RD</i>	ER&R
LyondellBasell - Choate	C	Price, Don		PL Chair	Cooper, Tommy		

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LyondellBasell - La Porte	C	Israel, Chris		PL	Freeman, Tereasa		PL
LyondellBasell - BYO		Cooper, Tommy		HMFL	Hardcastle, Lance		
Metton America, Inc	C	McNeill, Gwendolyn		HMFL	Johnson, Judy		Hazardous Waste Team
Nissan Chemical - Houston/Pasadena	C	Pace, Keith		Other	Contreras, Gene		
Noltex	C	Mann, Tim		ER&R	<del>Cameron, Kathy</del>		
NRG - San Jacinto Plant	F	Birbeck, Bruce			Morgan, Roger		
NRG - SR Bertron Plant	F	Birbeck, Bruce			Morgan, Roger		
Odfjell Terminals (not required to pay)	C	Eldridge, Robert		Golf/SF	Stewart, Chad		
Oxyvinyls-Houston Operations (LP/Battleground)	C	Lancelin, Tim Machemehl, Kevin		EC	Cox, Justin		
PeroxyChem - Pasadena	C	Melder, Bud		ER&R			
Port of Houston	G	Rizzo, Colin			Dowda, Jessie		
Praxair Inc	C	Freuler, Tom		PE&I			PE&I
San Jacinto College District	F	Kasch, Jemsha					
Shell Pipeline	C	Atwell, Toni		PE&I	Barker, Phillip		
Solvay	C	Pearce, Kevin		SF	Haertling, Andrea		
South Coast	B	Pham, Dan		HMFL			
Southern Ionics	C	Hackett, Clayton		Chairman PE&I	Boyd, Joey		
Sun Products Corp.	C	Eady, Scott		Golf Tournament	Soto, Jason		Golf Tournament, Emer. Response
Total Petrochemicals	C	Sipe, David		EC	Stokes, Bobby		Other
Trecora Chemical (formerly SSI Chusei)	C	Novak, Jim			Holt, Sara		

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TYCO (Pentair)	F	Speer, Steve					
Zeon Chemicals	C	Owens, Gary	<i>GO</i>	Other	Souris, Jeff	<i>JS</i>	Other
American Red Cross	G	Conerly, Phoebe		PE&I	Compian, Joe		
Centerpoint							
City of Deer Park	E	Hemminging, Robert					
City of Webster	E	Ferro, Joe					
City of La Porte - Fire Marshal	---	Simmons, Steven		SF	Meekins, Clif		
City of La Porte - Fire Department		Ladd, Donald			Henson, Jerod		
City of La Porte - Police Department	---	Bradley, Shaye			Daeumer, Matt	<i>MMD</i>	
Detection & Measurement Systems							
E-MERGE	-	Heiken, Dan	<i>DH</i>				
Harris County - Commissioner - Pct 2	E	Darbonne, Jacque	<i>JD</i>		Valdez, Debbie		SF
--- POLLUTION CONTROL	E	Hill, Craig			Martin, Jonathan	<i>JM</i>	
--- OEM	E	Wade, David					
--- PUBLIC HEALTH & ES	E	McClendon, Mac					
--- SHERRIFS OFFICE	E	Brown, Ron		ER&R/HMFL	Harrison, SGT. Kimball		
Kaneka North America		Blake, Dale					
Lonestar Ecology	A	Stringer, Walt		HMFL	Hartley, Joel		



