

**New Hanover County LEPC  
Meeting Minutes**

**March 12, 2003**

**The following persons were present:**

Forestell, John	NHRMC
George, Mike	NHC Emergency Management
Marlow, Paul	NHC DEM
Pridgen, Frankie	NHC Fire
Stancil, Willis	NHC Fire
Babb, Jeff	NHC
Ollis, Phillip	General Electric
Morgan, Diana	UNCW
Smith, Chris	Vopak
White, Lisa	KOSA
Collins, Tom	NCEM
Jordan, Ron	Wilmington Fire
Ham, Brett	NHC
Harrison, Robert	

**Welcome and Introductions:**

- An LEPC meeting was held at 8:00am on Wednesday, March 12, 2003 at New Hanover Regional Medical Center. Mike George welcomed all LEPC members and called the meeting to order. A roster was circulated to record those members that attended the meeting.

**Program:**

Guests were Mr. Roger Dale with Lenoir County and Mr. Jeff Keyes with ATF. A very informative presentation was made on the explosion and fire at West Pharmaceutical Company in Kinston. It appears that the likely cause was a dust cloud that combined with an unknown ignition source. TIER II reports and MSDS were used in responding to this incident. Particular challenges were dealing with the wide variety of responding agencies and the media.

**Administrative Items:**

- Mike George indicated that members will continue to be called prior to scheduled meetings as a reminder.
- There was interest from the members in a possible class taught by ATF on explosives as well as a general training class on ICS (Incident Command System).

- Mike George will contact all committee chairmen and ask for three objectives the individual committees would like to accomplish this year. He also asked that committee chairmen contact the members of their committee and seek their support.

### **Committee Reports**

There were no committee reports.

### **Adjourn**

Next meeting of the full LEPC will be held on April 9, 2003 at a location to be determined. Check the website for details and look for a fax and/ or e-mail notice.