

New Hanover County LEPC  
Meeting Minutes

November 19, 2003

**The following persons were in attendance:**

Blake, Suzanne	UNCW
Harts, Stan	UNCW
Hollinger, Bob	Elementis Chromium, L.P.
Lee, Warren	NHC Emergency Management
Marlow, Paul	NHC DEM
Parkin, Michelle	PPD
Pridgen, Frankie	NHC Fire
Smith, Chris	South Wilmington Terminal
Stockweather, Allison	PHRST-2
Strickler, Herb	GE/GNF-A
White, Lisa	KoSa
Wingenroth, Kristen	NHC Emergency Management

**Welcome and Introductions:**

The meeting, held at Downtown Library in the Masonboro Room, was called to order at 1200 hours by Herb Strickler. The meeting was hosted by KoSa. The October 8, 2003 meeting minutes were reviewed and approved.

**Membership Announcements:**

Koch Industries, Inc. has purchased Invista formerly DuPont Textiles and Interiors and plans to combine the Invista and KoSa businesses sometime in the 1<sup>st</sup> half of 2004. At this time KoSa does not know what the impact will be on their business.

Stan Hart's described the hazardous response incident that occurred at UNCW.

GE Global Nuclear Fuels' Tactical Rescue Drill is set for November 22, 2003 County and city fire departments will be participating in the drill.

The FEMA required Medical Response Drill will be held this month. The drill will involve the Brunswick Nuclear Plant and Cape Fear Hospital.

The yearly OPA 90 Tabletop drill was held at the KoSa facility last week.

Elementis Chromium is planning an in-house drill in which site resources will be responding to a release SO<sub>2</sub>.

Federal Point's Water Rescue drill will be held this weekend.

### **Outcome of Household Hazardous Waste Day:**

Special thanks were given to Stan Harts and UNCW for hosting the household hazardous waste day and making it such a tremendous success. The event received excellent press coverage. Over 850 vehicles came through. Preliminary numbers for collected waste are as follows: 180 tires, 400 lead acid batteries, 400 lbs of household type batteries, 960 gallons of oil, 360 gallons of antifreeze, ½ a trailer load of electronic waste, 2 pick-up beds of pesticides/herbicides, 4 boxes of fluorescent tubes, 450 gallons of solvents and 130 cubic yards of paint and paint related material. The results of the surveys given to each vehicle are being tabulated and a brief report is being prepared for the NCDENR Bureau of Solid Waste. It was decided both the NCDENR BSW report and the survey results would be posted on the LEPC web site once they are final.

### **Old Business:**

Bylaws subcommittee chairman gave an update on the bylaw revisions. The most significant change was the number of standing committees has been reduced from 5 to 3. They are the Executive Committee, the Emergency Planning and Response Committee and the Community Education and Public Awareness Committee. The revised bylaws were reviewed once more by all LEPC members present. Frankie Pridgen made a motion to adopt the revised bylaws, the motion was seconded by Bob Hollinger and the group voted unanimously to adopt the revised bylaws. Warren Lee will present the revised bylaws at the first County Commissioner's meeting on February 2, 2004.

### **New Business:**

The group decided to extend the review of the Hazardous Materials ESF#10 until January 2004 meeting. There will be an invitation extended to the general public; this will be done by a posting on the LEPC web site, public notice in the local newspaper and through the county cable access channel.

The Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know regulations require that LEPC's consist of representatives from all of the following groups and organizations: elected and local officials, law enforcement, civil defense, firefighting, first aid, health, local environmental and transportation agencies, hospitals, broadcast and print medias, community groups and representatives of facilities subject to the emergency planning and community right- to know requirements. Emergency Management will review which membership organizations have not been participating in the LEPC, contact them and extend an invitation to our meeting in 2004.

The group brainstormed for ideas for upcoming meetings. Ideas suggested include:

- EMS – Decontamination
- Spill Response
- Regional Response Truck
- USAR
- PHRST
- MSO
- SPCC
- Site Tours
- DENR

The group discussed the schedule, logistics and sponsors for the next 6 meetings of the LEPC. They are as follows:

Date	Place	Topic	Host
1/14/04	Downtown Library – Masonboro Room	ESF #10 Review	GNF
2/11/04	Cape Fear Museum – Williston Auditorium	Fire/EMS	NHC EM
3/10/04	Downtown Library – Masonboro Room	DOT/Maritime Security	S. Wilm. Terminal
4/14/04	Downtown Library – Masonboro Room	SPCC Requirements	PBE
5/19/04	KoSa – Highway 421 North	KoSa Site Tour	KoSa
6/9/04	Downtown Library – Masonboro Room	PHRST	PHRST

The next LEPC meeting is scheduled for Wednesday January 14<sup>th</sup> at noon at the Downtown Library in the Masonboro Room. Lunch will be provided. Plans are to have the annual review of the NHC Emergency Operations Plan for Hazardous Materials ESF#10 at this next meeting. Copies of the procedure have been sent to all members for review prior to next month's meeting. Come prepared to discuss any comments or revisions you feel are necessary to improve the procedure.

**Open Forum:**

None