



Tampa Bay LEPC *HazMatters* October - December 2016

Tampa Bay LEPC staff was involved in a number of activities during the quarter. Staff attended the SERC quarterly meetings held at the Sandestin Golf & Beach Resort in Miramar Beach on October 13-14, 2016. The quarterly Tampa Bay LEPC meeting was held on November 16th.

The Tampa Bay LEPC's HMEP Training Subcommittee met on November 16th to strategize expenditures associated with the FY 2016-17 HMEP Training contract. Training needs and desires were identified for each of the LEPC's six Counties, which were all present. It is anticipated that FY 2016-17 HMEP Training expenditures will commence by sending 24 to attend the 2017 Hazmat Symposium in mid-January in Daytona Beach. The following additional training courses identified and may be solicited are: Gasoline Tanker course (all six Counties); Advanced Hazmat IQ Course (cost share with Pinellas County); Chlorine and Ammonia Technician-level courses & pipeline response from various hazmat commodities (Manatee County); Chlorine and Ammonia Awareness level courses (Pasco County); four student to attend 160-Hr. Hazmat Technician Certification course at Florida Fire College (Hernando County); and a Toxmedic course (Citrus County).

In terms of miscellany, LEPC staff additionally: provided LEPC program overview presentation to members of the Tampa Bay Regional Planning Council (October 10th); facilitated the (nearly) monthly meeting of the Pinellas Police Standards Council (October 12th, November 9th & December 14th); attended SERC meetings (October 12-14); transmitted FDEP Executive Rule 62-4.161 (entitled "Public Notice of Pollution") and the proposed public hearing schedule associated with the Rule to LEPC members (October 17th); attended the (nearly) monthly meetings of the Ammonia Handlers/Operators (October 25th & November 29th); picked up four additional boxes of 2016 *Emergency Response Guidebooks* (in Tampa) for further distribution to the Florida Forestry Service (November 2nd); participated in the (nearly) monthly teleconference of the SERC's Hazards Analyses Working Group (November 2nd); attended the bi-monthly meeting of the Tampa Bay Spill Committee (November 8th); attended the triennial meeting of the USCG's Area Contingency Committee (November 8th); provided a LEPC program overview presentation to attendees of the Council's "Open House" (November 14th); participated in the 2017 Hazmat Symposium teleconference (November 30th); participated in the SERC's Training Task Force (nearly) monthly teleconference (November 30th); attended the Hernando County Hazards Analyses site visits actually being conducted by Treasure Coast Regional Planning Council staff (December 1st); attended "unannounced" EPA's EPCRA site visits for two Pinellas County facilities (Molex & Lantmannen Unibake) on December 5th; attended the TSE Industries, South Cross Bayou Wastewater Treatment Plant and Largo Wastewater Reclamation Facility Risk Management Plan Audits/Inspections respectively on December 6-8, as administered by FDEM staff; attended the annual Port Tampa Bay/TCSSI Safety luncheon (December 8th); solicited identification and registration of 24 students to attend 2017 Hazmat Symposium (December 9th); submitted this *Hazmatters* report and LEPC membership changes requested (December 12th); attended the College Football Playoffs Regional Consequence Management meeting held at the Tampa Emergency Operations Center (December 13th); and participated in SERC's Training Task Force teleconference (December 14th).