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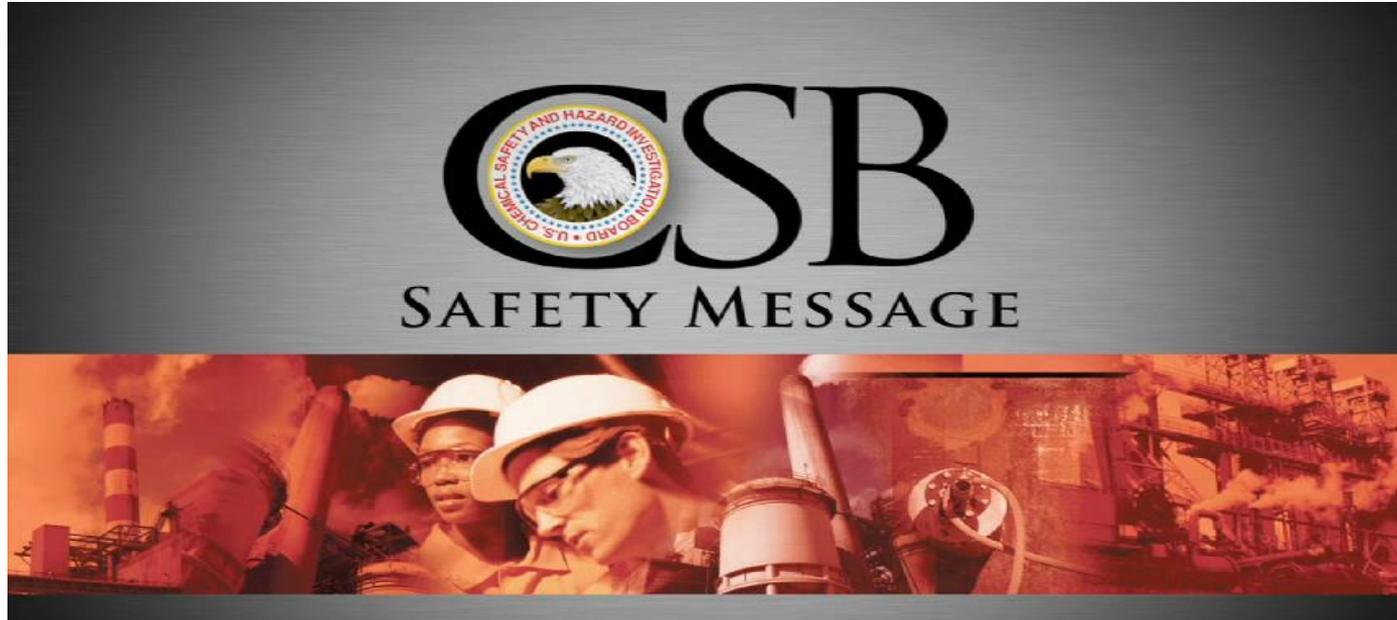


HOMELAND SECURITY AND EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT

LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE

Roles Of The Committee

BACKGROUND



<http://www.csb.gov/videos/reflections-on-bhopal-after-thirty-years/>

U.S. REACTION



- There was no mandatory national program, nor were there comprehensive state and local programs everywhere in the country, to deal with chemical accidents.
- In 1986, Congress passed the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA), also known as Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA).
- In 1989, Illinois passed the Illinois Emergency Planning and Community Right To Know Act [430 ILCS 100]

EPCRA REQUIREMENTS



42 United States Code (U.S.C.) Chapter 116 - EPCRA

- Emergency planning at the state and local levels
- Emergency emissions notifications
- Reports on the storage and transportation of threshold quantities of hazardous chemicals
- Yearly reports of toxic releases of listed chemicals above threshold levels

DuPage LEPC Purpose



- In accordance with the Illinois Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act, the DuPage County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) shall encourage and support emergency planning for responding to all hazards and provide local governments and the public with information to use for planning and response.



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LEPC GOAL



- Increase the protection of the DuPage County community from exposure to chemicals produced, used, stored, and/or transported within the County.



LEPC FUNCTIONS



- Receive and process requests for information from the public;
- Perform a hazard analysis using the information and reports from facilities operating within the jurisdiction of the LEPC, and analysis of the districts transportation risks;
- Establish and maintain a database of hazardous chemical locations and quantities in the district;
- Establish and maintain a computerized system of data management

Additional information: [Section 620.70 Functions of a Local Emergency Planning Committee](#)

LEPC MEMBERSHIP



- Members represent one of thirteen categories (e.g. Fire, Police, Owners/Operators).
- Appointed based on DuPage County Board Chairman's recommendation
- Recommendations are then submitted to the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) annually.
- Each category has one primary vote for the transaction of Committee business.

ALTERNATE MEMBERS



- Each of the 13 categories may include alternate members.
- Alternate members shall be approved by the Committee at any regular meeting of the LEPC.
- Alternate members will be designated as first alternate, second alternate, etc. for the category they represent.
- In the absence of a primary member, an alternate member in that category, in order of their designation, will have voting rights for the transaction of committee business.
- Alternate members **may not** hold elected offices.

ELECTED OFFICERS



- The LEPC shall elect officers by ballot or voice vote at a pre-identified vote event. Officers serve a term of two years with terms expiring on alternating years.
- The Chairperson and Secretary-Treasurer shall serve a one year term with subsequent two year terms while the Vice-Chairperson serves an initial two year term with subsequent two year terms.
- Existing officers may be re-elected to their existing offices if they so indicate a willingness to continue.



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MEETINGS



- LEPC shall meet at least **quarterly**
- Special meetings as needed
- LEPC shall hold at least one public meeting each year for the purpose of discussing the Committee's emergency plan and receiving and processing requests from the public for information under Section 312 and Section 324 of the Act.



SUBCOMMITTEES

Right-to-Know

Public Education and
Information

Executive

Chemical Facilities Liaison

Emergency Response and
Resources



HAZMAT ANNEX



- The DuPage County Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Management wrote an **Emergency Response Plan, referred to as the Hazardous Materials (HAZMAT) Annex**, on behalf of the LEPC.
- The LEPC approved and adopted the plan in 2016.
- The plan meets all requirements and is consistent with State and Federal guidance (e.g. Comprehensive Planning Guide [CPG] 101 framework).

HAZMAT ANNEX EXERCISE

- Partners of the LEPC (e.g. OHSEM, Burlington Northern [BNSF]) exercised this plan in 2016.
- The simulation was a Bakken Crude Oil release.



LEPC ANNUAL SUMMARY



- The DuPage County LEPC represents 33 municipalities serving approx. 930,000 residents.
- During calendar year 2016 and 2017, the DuPage County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) conducted four quarterly meetings, scheduled the 3rd Tuesday of the month.
- Meeting months were February, May, August and November.

THANK YOU!



REFERENCES



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