



**Memphis / Shelby County
Local Emergency Planning Committee
Meeting Minutes
October 21, 2004
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Call to Order: Butch Pennington - 2:37 PM

Roundtable Introductions: All Attendees

Reading of Previous Minutes: Minutes from the September 2004 meeting were read and accepted as read.

Financial Report: Per Larry Hill

Current Balances- Savings: \$6,029.97 Checking: \$9,190.18

Incident Discussions:

- **Sulfuric Acid Overflow** – Butch Pennington reported that Buckeye had experienced a Sulfuric Acid overflow from a tank. Approximately 4,000 gallons overflowed into a secondary containment area. No material spilled outside of secondary containment and there were no injuries. The procedures in place at the plant were activated and addressed the problem correctly.
- **CIBA Railcar** – Peter Henige reported that he was called to the railyard south of the fairgrounds on September 30th in Memphis to inspect a “reported” leaking railcar. The CIBA railcar was marked with the correct placards. An employee had reported a strange odor. The EMA and HAZMAT teams responded. No leak was found.

Task Team Reports:

- None

Old Business:

- **2004 TEMA Grant** – Butch Pennington reported that TEMA had sent a check for \$9,046+ for the conference and drill, but they had sent it to the Shelby County Finance Office. He is working on getting the County to draft a check to the LEPC at this time. EMA might be able to help him do this. This was reimbursement from the 2004 TEMA grant.

New Business:

- **2005 Executive Committee Elections** – Ballots were handed out to the members present for the 2005 elections. Election results were as follows:

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| Chairperson: | Butch Pennington |
| Vice Chairs: | Ruth Henry |
| | Rob Hooper |
| | John Selberg |
| Treasurer: | Larry Hill |
| Secretary: | Terri Gray |

Information Sharing:

- **New Grant** – Butch Pennington reported that he had received information that TEMA has grant money available again in 2005. Should the LEPC decide to apply for the Grant, application must be sent to TEMA by October 27, 2004. Suggestions offered by the membership for Grant money uses included training classes, radios for communication with the EMA, wireless Internet, HAM radios, or a call-down system. A suggestion was made that the LEPC consider inviting members from the National Center of Biomedical Research and Training, Academy of Counter-Terrorist Education, Louisiana State University to make a presentation to the members of the LEPC. This organization provides this training free of charge through Federal Grant funding. He suggested that the LEPC inquire if this training could be given to the MSCLEPC.
- **November meeting** – A member of ATF will give a presentation at the November meeting.

Special Presentation:

“Terrorist’s Weapon of Choice”

Mr. Rob Hooper, CSP
Manager of Safety & Environmental Affairs
Schering-Plough, Inc.

Meeting Attendance: 25

Meeting Adjourned: 3:28 PM

Next Meeting: 2:30 PM, November 18, 2004