

Region 6 LEPC Update

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Amazingly, this is the beginning of our 28th year issuing the Region 6 LEPC Update. We hope it has been valuable to your organization over the years. As always, we appreciate feedback, and welcome any articles which would benefit local planning and preparedness.

In this issue, we bring you the Region 6 Accidental Release Report for 2014, CAMEO updates, Tier II tips for reporting in the new year, a preparedness outreach success story from the Major County, Oklahoma LEPC, and web-based training opportunities from EPA and SERTC – Steve and Hilary



EPA Region 6 -- ACCIDENTAL RELEASE REPORT 2014

*To view the 2014 Region 6 Accidental Release Report for 2014, please review the separate attached file titled

“ANNUAL ACCIDENTAL RELEASE REPORT – 2014”, or email a document request to mason.steve@epa.gov.

CAMEO News

A new MARPLOT installer program has been posted to the EPA CAMEO site.

<http://www2.epa.gov/cameo/download-cameo>
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The new installer updates some MARPLOT operations. The installer fixes and updates elements of Marplot 4.2.5



Upcoming CAMEO Classes

Advanced CAMEO Class
Fort Smith Arkansas, December 15-17, 2014

Tier II Reports are Due between 1 January – 1 March 2015

Please visit respective state's websites to gain specific information on facilities within each of the states. State websites include FAQs, instructions for submitting the Tier II report, fee calculators or tables, and other helpful information.



***Help Out Your Friendly State Tier II Contacts!
Don't Wait Until the End of February to Prepare Your Tier II Report!***

New Mexico: <http://www.nmdhsem.org/tier2.aspx>

View new Tier II reporting process changes for 2014 in New Mexico, instructions for filing and payment, payment table/fee schedule for facilities, and link to download the latest version of Tier II Submit software (Tier II Submit 2014). For questions or help, contact Henry Jolly at 505-476-0617 or at henry.jolly@state.nm.us

Texas: <https://www.dshs.state.tx.us/tiertwo/>

View the fee payment form and instructions for filing in Texas, Tier II training class schedule (Austin, TX), fee calculator, and link to download the latest version of Tier II Submit software (Tier II Submit 2014). For questions or help in Texas, contact the Hotline at 1-800-452-2791 (toll-free in Texas) or (512) 834-6603, or email TierTwoHelp@dshs.state.tx.us

Oklahoma: <http://www.deq.state.ok.us/lpdnew/saratitleiii/tierii.htm>

View electronic reporting and filing instructions, payment instructions, schedule of Tier II personal help sessions (locations throughout Oklahoma), guidance on providing accurate coordinates and contact information, site plan guidance, the electronic Tier II filing website link for Oklahoma, and link to download the latest version of Tier II Submit software (Tier II Submit 2014). For questions or help in Oklahoma, contact Tom Bergman at 405-702-1013 or email through the tom.bergman@deq.ok.gov

Arkansas: <http://www.adem.arkansas.gov/ADEM/Divisions/Preparedness/HazMatRep/index.aspx>

View filing instructions for Arkansas described in the "Tier II Letter" link, Tier II certification letter, list of chemicals and reporting thresholds, and the electronic Tier II filing website link for Arkansas. For Questions or help in Arkansas, contact Kenny Harmon or Latryce Robinson at (501)683-6700 Kenny.Harmon@adem.arkansas.gov
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Louisiana: <http://www.lsp.org/rtk.html#rtk>

See section "Right To Know (RTK), Tier II", and subsections "Tier II Inventory" and "Useful Documents" to access instructions describing the electronic filing process, report filing instructions, and the electronic Tier II filing website link for Louisiana. For questions or help in Louisiana, contact Marta Marcuse at 225-925-6113 x 230, or email rtk.tier2@dps.la.gov

Update your Tier II Submit Software

Filers for reporting facilities must use the latest version of Tier2 Submit. Visit the respective state websites, or EPA's website to get the [latest version of Tier2 Submit](#), which is Tier2 Submit 2014 for Windows and Macintosh.

What's changed in Tier2 Submit 2014?

- Added "Quick Report" button, which displays the selected facility's information in a browser window
- Added a drop-down calendar feature for date fields
- Modified Facility KML export to include facility and 24-hour emergency coordinator phone numbers
- Updated state-specific fields
- Upgraded to FileMaker 13
- Made minor bug fixes and changes

Points to Remember

- Reporting fees and procedures are unique to each state.
- Companies with multiple facilities in multiple states must file Tier II reports following the guidance of the state in which each facility resides.
- Make sure the facility coordinates are accurate! Use the correct lat/long in the correct format.
- ❖ ***Remember - The goal of the Tier II report is to enable local first responders to respond to emergencies at your facility.***
- ❖ ***Give accurate emergency contact names and numbers of a local person who can provide first responders with current first-hand information about the chemicals on site.***
- ❖ ***Provide site plans which are detailed and accurate, so that first responders can make decisions on safety measures and response methods.***
- ❖ ***Filing with E-Plan does not substitute for filing directly with any individual states in Region 6. Any facilities that file with E-Plan must also submit a separate file to the State in which the facility is located.***

Oklahoma's Tier II website offers guidance on site plans and attachments, which users in any state may find helpful. The guidance can be accessed at the ODEQ Tier II website under the [Tier 2 Site Plans](#) section.

The section offers tips on using aerial photos, Google Earth, Microsoft Office Word, and Microsoft Office Paint to create site plans, and shows effective and useful samples.

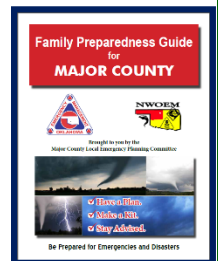
Preparedness Success Story

Major County Family Preparedness Guide

Tresa Lackey of Major County, Oklahoma shares her success story of how the Major County Emergency Management Office and the LEPC worked together to spread preparedness objectives throughout the community.

The idea of putting together a county Family Preparedness Guide wasn't new. Several other entities have published guides previous to ours. However, there were none pertinent to Major County with specific instructions and contact info. When an Emergency Manager / LEPC Chair from a neighboring county was invited to speak at one of the Major County LEPC meetings about the importance of LEPC partnerships in the community, he brought with him some Family Preparedness Guides that he had made specific to his county. His guides had been paid for with grant money for preparedness from his Emergency Management budget.

Several of Major County LEPC members felt that this was an essential project necessary for our county residents and that a guide in every household in the county should be the goal. However, the money was not available to fund this project, so it was agreed upon to form a committee to come up with a way to pay for the printing of these guides. A committee of five met to discuss how to put this project together. After much discussion, it was decided that the LEPC members should sell advertisement spots in the guide. 911 info and Assessor records were used to determine the estimated number of households in Major County. Printing quotes were gathered and advertising costs were set by determining the amount of money needed to fund this project. The committee members felt that this would not only be a way to meet the goals of funding the project but to also a way to allow the community the opportunity to have a vested interest in this project and raise awareness for being prepared.



Then the work began. The committee members met several times over several months ensuring the verbiage in the document included pertinent and accurate information relative to Major County. The committee members stepped out into the community to sell the advertisement spots to local businesses. The community response to this project was overwhelming and in no time all the advertisement spots were spoken for and the project was ready to be sent to the print shop.

The Major County LEPC Membership's goal was to place a guide in every household in Major County. After the guides were printed, the committee members split up and went all directions in the county to distribute the guides. Every student and teacher in every Major County school received a guide as did all the members of the local churches, hospital, nursing home, senior centers, town halls and local businesses. The Major County Family Preparedness guide ended up a bigger success than planned on because it not only accomplished the goal encouraging citizens to be prepared but it also proved that community members can work together to accomplish goals that might seem unattainable!

-Tresa Lackey, Major County Emergency Management, 911 & Safety

This is a great accomplishment for one of our own LEPCs !! A .pdf copy of the brochure is enclosed with this newsletter.

Free Web-Based Trainings Available!

Online HAZWOPER First Responder Awareness Level Training Hosted by EPA Region 6

EPA Region 6 has developed an online HAZWOPER First Responder Awareness Level training. The training meets the requirements of 29 CFR 1910.120(q), and was developed in compliance with NFPA 472.

First Responder Awareness Level Course Description:

Users can access the training through the [Region 6 Regional Response Team website](http://rrt6.org), (<http://rrt6.org>) under the [Training Repository](#) section. Users can launch the training via an active internet connection, or can download a pdf version of the training for use on the desktop offline.

Once users have had the opportunity to review the course materials, they can register and take the test online to receive their HAZWOPER First Responder Awareness Level certification. Examples of personnel who might benefit from the training include facility personnel and operators, municipal and county employees, and anyone who could potentially witness a chemical emergency. **As always, please check with your State Training Program Officers to determine the requirements for certification within your own state.**

The program covers the following:

- Basics of Hazardous Materials
- HAZWOPER Regulatory Requirements
- Identification of Hazardous Materials
- Using the Emergency Response Guidebook
- Physical and Chemical Properties
- Incident Command System 101
- Awareness of Weapons of Mass Destruction
- Putting it All Together

Online Crude by Rail (CBR) Training Hosted by SERTC

The Security & Emergency Training Center (SERTC) operates near Pueblo, Colorado, and for is now offering free web-based training for Crude By Rail (CBR). Users can access the training by going to www.sertc.org, and clicking on Web-Based Training (WBT) under "What's New."

Web-Based Training CBR Course Description:

This program is designed for first responders with railroads passing through their jurisdiction. You will learn basic knowledge to respond to incidents involving CBR. The web-based training is designed for your convenience. You decide when and where to start your training.

Instructors teach this program in a format that is easy for you to understand, and it gives you the foundational information needed to make basic protective decisions in the event an incident happens in your jurisdiction.

The program covers the following:

- History of crude oil
- Planning and working with the railroads
- Basic tank car recognition and design
- Chemical, physical, and toxic properties of the different crude oil transported
- Basic site and damage assessment
- Tactical product control methods, and application of firefighting foam agents, water, and spill control procedures

State EPCRA / LEPC Coordinators and SERC contacts

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| Oklahoma | Tom Bergman Bonnie McKelvey | 405-702-1013 405-521-2481 | tom.bergman@deq.ok.gov bonnie.mckelvey@oem.ok.gov |
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Emergency Response Numbers

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| Arkansas Dept. of Emergency Management | 800-322-4012 |
| Louisiana State Police | 877-925-6595 |
| New Mexico State Police | 505-827-9126 |
| Oklahoma Dept. of Environmental Quality | 800-522-0206 |
| Texas Environmental Hotline | 800-832-8224 |
| National Response Center | 800-424-8802 |
| EPA Region 6 | 866-372-7745 |
| CHEMTREC | 800-424-9300 |



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