



Facility / LEPC Responsibilities under EPCRA



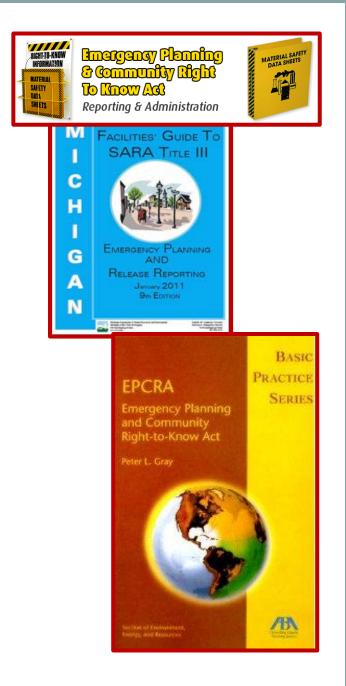


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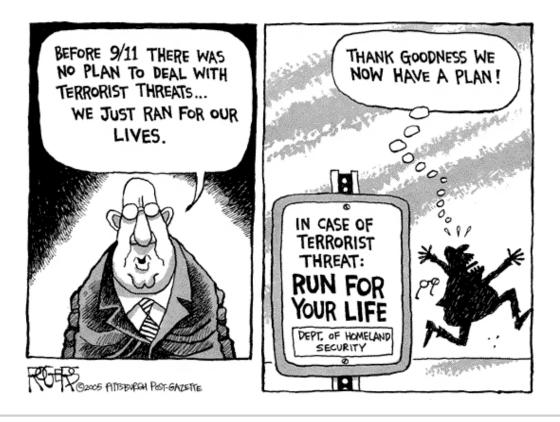


Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act (EPCRA) October 17, 1986

- Congress amended CERCLA in 1986 with Superfund Amendments & Reauthorization Act (SARA).
- Focused on strengthening rights of citizens and communities for potential hazardous substance emergencies.
- Intended to help communities prepare to respond to chemical emergency and to increase public's knowledge of presence and threat of hazardous chemicals.







- Created framework for local government, businesses, and other citizens to plan for chemical accidents
- Ensured officials know chemicals used or stored in community and notified in event of accident



Facility Responsibilities Under EPCRA







 Report to the LEPC, SERC if facility stores or uses more than threshold planning quantity (TPQ) of extremely hazardous substance (EHS)

(Section 302) **One-time report Report due in 1988**



Appoint facility coordinator to work with LEPC if subject to statute

Section 303







• Provide information, requested by LEPC, which will assist in development and implementation of local emergency response plan

Section 303(d)



 Immediately report release of EHS or CERCLA hazardous substance above reportable quantity (RQ) to NRC, SERC, and LEPC
 Section 304(a,b)



Report release to 9-1-1

 or telephone operator
 if release is
 transportation-related

Section 304(a,b)



Release report must include:

- Chemical name
- Indication of whether it is EHS
- Estimate of quantity released into environment
- Time and duration of release
- Whether release occurred into air, water, and/or land
- Any known or anticipated acute or chronic health risks associated with emergency, and where necessary, advice regarding medical attention for exposed individuals
- Proper precautions, such as evacuation or sheltering in place
- Name and telephone number of contact person





 Within reasonable time period, facility is required to file followup report to LEPC and SERC

Section 304(c)



- Information for follow-up should include:
 - Actions taken to respond and contain release
 - Advice regarding medical attention necessary for exposed individuals
 - Any known or anticipated acute or chronic health risks associated with release



- Facility must provide list of chemicals to LEPC, SERC, and fire department
- For EHSs, the TPQ or 500 lbs. whichever is less
- For gasoline in UST, 75,000 gals; for diesel fuel in UST, 100,000 gals at retail stations
- For all other OSHA hazardous chemicals, 10,000 pounds on-site at any one time

Section 311

 Facility will provide SDSs for chemicals if requested by LEPC, SERC





- Facility must provide annual inventory report to LEPC, SERC, and fire department by March 1st of each year for past calendar year inventory
- Same list as Section 311 chemical list
- States have specific reporting (submit software, dissemination to LEPCs, etc)

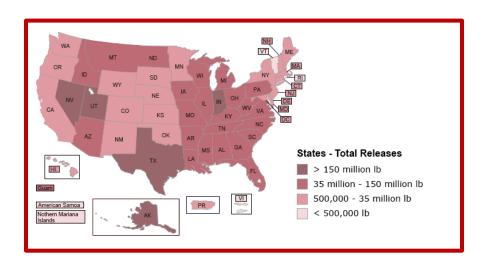
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- Facility must provide toxic release inventory (TRI) report on releases and other waste management to EPA HQ and State by July 1st of each year for past calendar year
- TRI chemical list

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Chemical List	Number	Amount		
EHSs	355	TPQ / RQ		
CERCLA HS	800	RQ		
OSHA Hazardous Chemicals	Hundreds of thousands	TQ		
Toxic Chemical List	690	TQ		



State Considerations – Arkansas

- Spill Reports, Tier II, and TRI reports go to ADEM
- 24-hour spill Line: 800-322-4012
- Tier II Submit reported via CD or through ADEM website electronically in zip file
- Report only to SERC, who will forward to LEPCs and fire departments





State Considerations – Louisiana

- Spill Reports and Tier II reports go to LSP
- TRI reports go to LDEQ
- 24-hour spill Line: 877-925-6595
- Federal RQs as well as State RQs for OSHA chemicals
- Tier II filed online through LSP website
- Tier II report to SERC, LEPC & fire department, unless LSP has agreement with LEPC
- 500 lb. threshold or lower for all chemicals





State Considerations – New Mexico

- Spill Reports, Tier II, and TRI reports go to DHSEM
- 24-hour spill Line: 505-476-9635
- Tier II Submit reported via CD to DHSEM
- Report only to SERC, who will forward to LEPCs and fire departments





State Considerations – Oklahoma

- Spill Reports, Tier II, and TRI reports go to ODEQ
- 24-hour spill Line: 800-522-0206
- Tier II Submit reported online to ODEQ
- Report only to SERC, who will forward to LEPCs and fire departments





State Considerations – Texas

- Tier II, and TRI reports go to TCEQ
- 24-hour spill Line: 800-832-8224
- Federal RQs & few State RQs
- Tier II Submit reported by email to TCEQ
- Submit Tier II report to LEPC & fire departments





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LOCAL EMERGENCY PLANNING COMMITTEE



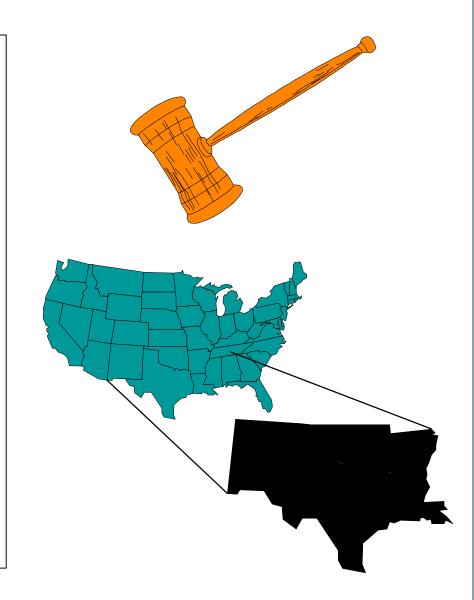
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State and local structure

- § 301 of EPCRA required State to establish Local Planning Districts and appoint LEPC within each district.
- Approximately 530 LEPCs within Region 6, 3,200 nationwide.
- In Region 6, 99% of the LEPCs are based on county/parish jurisdictions





Under § 301 of EPCRA, each LEPC will include representatives from each of following:

- State and local officials;
- Law enforcement, Civil Defense, Firefighting, First aid, Health, Local environmental, Hospital and Transportation
- Broadcast & print media
- Community groups
- Facility owners and operators subject to EPCRA









 Appoint chairperson and establish rules by which committee shall function





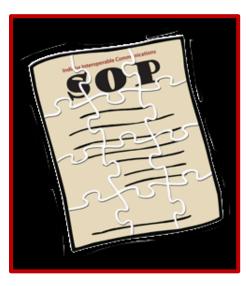
Rules shall cover:

- Public notification of activities of LEPC
- Dissemination of emergency plan, including public comments and responses

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 Establish procedures for receiving and processing public requests for information, including Tier II information

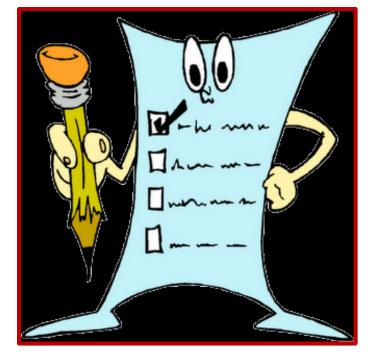




• Designate official to serve as coordinator for information



• Each LEPC required to develop emergency plan by October 17, 1988.





• LEPC required to review plan at least annually to ensure changes in community addressed



 Establish a community emergency coordinator to receive emergency notifications (initial and follow-up) by facilities





- Upon request, make available Tier II information, MSDSs, or emergency notification follow-ups for specific facility within 45 days of request
- Several states take on responsibility for LEPC

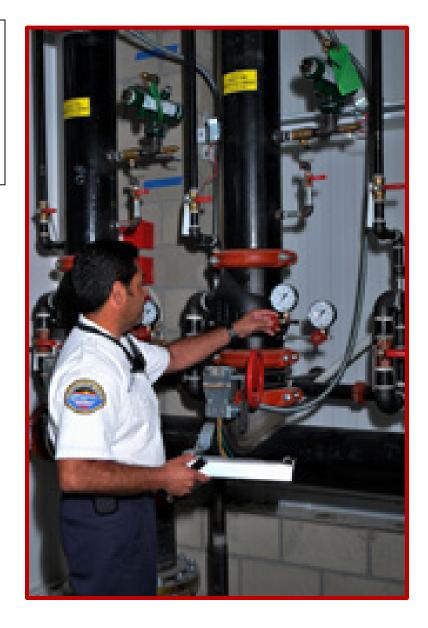


• This information shall be made available during normal working hours at designated location





 Fire department shall have on-site inspection capabilities for any facility filing Tier II information





• Annually publish local newspaper notice on where information can be reviewed

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to 42 USC #11044

The Worth County Local Emergency Planning Committee hereby notifies the public that emergency response plans, hazardous materials data sheets and inventory forms have been submitted pursuant to the Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act. These materials along with any follow up emergency notices may be reviewed at 320 S. Lyon Avenue, Grant City, Mo. upon appointment. Contact (660) 564-3544 to schedule an appointment.

• Ability to take civil action against any facility which does not file required information



LEPC must accomplish following tasks annually:

- Review and update of county response plan
- Publish location during working hours where information may be reviewed by public in accordance with Right-to-Know Act. You can use both broadcast and print media for this, as well as social media
- Update Tier II report file





Other things not required, but should be done annually include:

- Training review: What training was accomplished during the year? What needs to be done next year?
- Outreach review: Was the LEPC activities advertised to the community through events and other avenues?



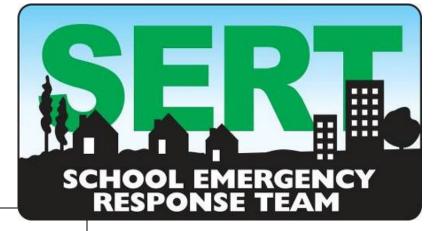


Other things not required, but should be done annually include:

- Money review: Have all funds been expended received through grants, fees, donations, etc.? If not, how do we use remainder? What do we need for next year or future years?
- Membership review: Are there changes needed in membership, such as fewer or more members? Does anyone have a conflict that will prevent service for coming year? Do we need to nominate any new members?.







Conclusion: EPCRA has two main purposes

- Support planning for responding to accidents
- Provide community with data about potential chemical hazards
- For law to work, industry, citizens, and government at all levels must work to plan for accidents and to reduce risk from releases