



State of Connecticut Emergency Response Commission

Minutes of the May 14, 2020 Meeting of the SERC -Approved-

1. Meeting held online via Zoom platform. **Call to Order** at 1:35 p.m. **Attendees** (see next page).
2. **May 14, 2020 Meeting Minutes** approved on a motion by Adam Fox, seconded by Bob Araujo.
3. Jeff Morrissette and Peter Zack reported on **HMEP Grant activities** and **Planning for 2020** was discussed. An RFP was issued to secure a contractor to coordinate with local, regional, state, and federal agencies to implement a full-scale exercise of emergency preparedness. The training will focus on exercising the Naugatuck Geographic Response Plan. The planning, timeline, and activities are subject to adaptation related to the COVID-19 pandemic protocols.
4. Diane Duva reported that **Tier II reports** are similar to last year in numbers and facilities.
5. Diane Duva introduced Dawn Ison, Water Security Division-Emergency Response Team, US EPA, who gave a presentation on **AWIA amendments to EPCRA** that involve continuous improvements in notification practices between state agencies and drinking water providers. Members expressed interest in scheduling additional sessions on this topic at future SERC meetings.
6. **Information sharing between Agencies**, PFAS updates: Agencies shared their experiences with pandemic-related deployments of resources such as the CT National Guard's set up of step down hospitals at state universities and other locations and support of warehouses for materials distribution. The COVID-19 pandemic has affected hazardous materials training sessions, with some cancelled, some postponed, and some modified to online formats.
7. There was no **New Business**.
8. There were no **Public Comments**.
9. **Meeting Adjourned** 3:00 p.m.

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Attendance

In attendance?	Member
Yes	Gerard P. Goudreau - Chairperson Facility member
Yes	Peter Zack , Director, Emergency Response and Spill Prevention Division
Yes	Diane W. Duva , Director, Emergency Response Planning Office Materials Management and Compliance Assurance Bureau CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection
Yes	Jeffrey J. Morrisette , State Fire Administrator Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
Yes	David Kallander, Ph.D. , Toxicologist Environmental and Occupational Health Assessment Program CT Department of Public Health
Yes	Adam G. Fox, P.E. , Principal Engineer, Environmental Compliance, Bureau of Engineering and Construction CT Department of Transportation
No; State EOC activated for pandemic	William J. Hackett , State Director of Emergency Management Division of Emergency Management and Homeland Security CT Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection
Yes	Jeff Saltus (interim), Program Manager, CONN-OSHA CT Department of Labor
Yes	Matthew LaFayette , Budget Analyst Budget and Financial Management Division CT Office of Policy and Management
Yes	William Abbott , State Fire Marshal Office of State Fire Marshal Division of Construction Services, CT Dept. of Administrative Services
Yes	Col. Gerald J. Lukowski, Jr. Connecticut Military Department
Yes	Robert J. Araujo Facility member
Yes	Chief John C. Littell, Tolland Fire Department Volunteer Fire Department member
Yes	Chief Edward N. Richards, Enfield Fire Department Municipal Fire Department member
Yes	Carol Violette , Public member
Yes	Kyle Zimmer, Jr., Public member

Also participating:

Dawn Ison, Water Security Division-Emergency Response Team,

US EPA

3 members of the public; 1 additional DEEP staff