

Broome County  
Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC)  
**LEPC /MEETING AGENDA**  
**8/15/2024**

- Introduction of guests/new members
- Approval of minutes 6/22/2024
- Correspondence /Announcements
  - a) **Training Notices:**
    - a. *Further details on all courses listed above as well as **registration** can be found on the [DHSES Learning Management System \(LMS\)](#).*
    - b. *Useful resources including the DHSES LMS Student Guide and FAQ can be found on the [DHSES Webpage](#).*
  - b) **Williams Pipeline – Emergency Response Information Pamphlet**

### Old Business

- 1) **Committee Updates:**
  - **Health, Human and Animal Needs** – Meeting held on 7/18/24  
Guthrie Lourdes Cyberattack – Status  
Active Shooter Training – Greater Binghamton Health
- 2) **Drills and Training Schedule 2024 – Updates and New Events**
  - Airshow for 2024: July 6-7 Blue Angels
  - Speidie Fest – 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary August 2, 3, and 4th
  - Asset Distribution Exercise – Health Dept/Emergency Services – Date?
- 3) **Chemical Facility Anti-Terrorism Standards (CFATS) authority was allowed to expire on July 28, 2023. *The Program and compliance currently cannot be enforced by CISA (Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency) – Program has still not been renewed.*** Voluntary Program, ChemLock, can be used in the interim. [ChemLock | CISA](#)

### New Business

- 1) **Presentation:** National Weather Service on Tornadoes, Hurricanes and Storms.  
*What is in store through Fall?*
- 2) **2024 LEPC PLANS**  
**Committees:**
  - Public Safety
  - Health, Human, and Animal Needs
  - Infrastructure
  - Training/Exercises – Drills – **NEED TO PLAN RMP DRILL**
- 3) **RMP Facilities must develop plans** for conducting Emergency Response Exercises by December 19, 2023. This consists of notification exercises, field exercises, and tabletop exercises.  
Amrex Chemical has 3 RMP facilities – taking down to 2 facilities in next quarter  
Binghamton Water Department? Endicott Water?
- 4) **OSHA Hazard Communication Standard Update – Affects all workplaces with any Hazardous Chemicals: Took effect on July 19, 2024**
- 5) **Canadian Rail Strike Could Begin on August 22** - Embargoes have been announced on certain goods by CSX Transportation, Canadian National Railway and Canada Pacific Kansas City Limited. TIH/PIH materials (such as Chlorine Gas) is effective immediately. Chlorine is used by water treatment plants and in the manufacture of other major products.

- 6) **DOT Rulemaking:** Industry stakeholders and the public will have a chance to provide input into the development of regulations for transporting hazmat by unmanned aircraft systems (UAS) or "drones" during a public web conference hosted by PHMSA and FAA on August 22, 2024.
- The Rule is currently listed as in the “pre-rule” stage, with PHMSA planning an Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking (ANPRM) for 2025.
  - The requirements for carrying hazmat by UAS are the same that apply to air carriers using “manned aircraft.”
  - In agricultural operations, drones can be used to disperse hazardous materials like poisons, pesticides, or disinfectants. FAA rules for agriculture operations are in 14 CFR Part 137.
  - **Not any drone can carry hazmat.** US FAA regulations prohibit carriage of hazardous materials by “small unmanned aircraft” (14 CFR 107.36). The “no hazmat” rule is one of many restrictions for piloting a drone weighing less than 55 pounds.

*Next Meeting October 17, 2024 at Public Safety Facility (and Virtual)  
Committee Meetings September 19, 2024 (or alternate date as scheduled by committee)*