Gordon County Local Emergency Planning Committee
Minutes for June 13th Meeting

Welcome by – Derek McMillian, Vice-Chairperson

Members present:
Richard Cooper----------EMA/911
Courtney Taylor----------EMA/911
Brad Gibbs----------Henkel
Larry Westerlund----------Henkel
Greg Wesling----------J.M. Huber Corp.
Byron Sutton----------Gordon County Fire/Rescue
Christy Blair----------Gordon County Health Dept.
Steve Moritakis----------UGA Extension
Derek McMillan----------LG Cim
Kelli Walraven----------Gordon County Senior Center
Chief Lenny Nesbitt----------City of Calhoun Fire Dept.
Robbie Evans----------City of Calhoun Fire Dept.
Tim Duvall----------City of Calhoun Fire Dept.
Michael McDougal----------Kerry Inc.
Tim Dorsey----------Mannington

Kristen Bartlett called the meeting to order and asked for the approval of the minutes for the May 9th, 2007 meeting.

Chief Nesbitt motioned to accept. Courtney Taylor seconded the motion. All agreed to accept the minutes.

Kristen stated there were no committee reports at this time.

Kristen asked if there were any reportable quantity spill reports. No spill reports from either the County or the City.

Status of City and County signing the ordinance: Chief Nesbitt reported that he had talked with Eddie Peterson with the City Council who is going to discuss the ordinance with Mayor Palmer this week. It is slated to possibly be signed within the next two weeks. Richard Cooper reported that he had talked with Suzanne Hutchinson about the County. She stated that she will work on getting it signed also possibly within the next two weeks.

Kristen brought up about Tier II Electronic reporting for the Fire Depts/EMA and the LEPC. Chief Nesbitt suggested that the LEPC via EMA be the central repository for the Tier II reports and that the facilities would only have to submit to one entity. All three

agencies plus the LEPC would have access to the TIER II reports. Kristen stated that she would have to check with Kent Howell at GAEPD to be sure that this would be in compliance with the EPCRA regulations for both the agencies and the industries that are submitting the reports. Kristen will update the group at next month's meeting. Kristen also stated that she will also request from Kent Howell Gordon County's Tier II report submittals for reporting year 2006.

LEPC Website Status: Richard Cooper gave an update on our website going live. He spoke with Keith King, Gordon County IT, stated that the County has decided to contract out the entire County website for a complete makeover. This makeover will result in all departments within the County having control over their portion of the website and will manage all updates to their respective websites. This will include the site for Gordon County LEPC. Richard Cooper, Courtney Taylor and the officers of the LEPC will have passwords to be able to change and update the LEPC website. It was stated that this overhaul may take at least 2 months to complete; therefore, the LEPC website will not go live until then. Kristen did request members to continue to think about what they want to see on the website and to provide Kristen with the ideas and/or information.

Kristen asked the emergency response agencies present about future drills that the LEPC can participate in. Richard stated that there would be a hazmat drill in Whitfield County on September 8. Kristen stated that the LEPC needs to participate in at least one mock exercise or tabletop exercise before the end of the calendar year. Chief Nesbitt stated that there is a potential to receive funding to conduct a drill as long as the drill is a regional drill and it is coordinated through the All Hazards Council.

Funding Update: Kristen asked Richard to update the group concerning LEPC funding through GEMA. Richard stated that he and Courtney had received had received an application from Randy Howard of GEMA to be completed to receive funding. Once the document is completed and submitted, the LEPC is slated to receive $3200.00 from GEMA. Kristen stated that she had received a check from the OMNOVA Foundation for $2000.00. This check was deposited into the LEPC checking account on 6/13/07.

<u>New business discussed:</u>

Kristen stated that she would be talking with Kent Howell at GAEPD about obtaining 2006 Tier II reports for Gordon County. She also stated that she would inquire if his department also has a listing or database of RMP facilities in Gordon County (EPA Risk Management Plan facilities). The reason for this is to assist the emergency response agencies in updating the LEOP for Gordon County with this information.

Kristen gave a brief overview of the new Department of Homeland Security Chemical Facilities Ant-Terrorism Standard (6 CFR Part 27). This covers security standards for chemical facilities that have certain chemicals in storage at prescribed threshold quantities. There is an associated list of chemicals and threshold quantities in Appendix A of the rule. However, even though the rule was effective on June 8, Appendix A is not yet final. Actions be taken by covered facilities do not take effect until after Appendix A is finalized in the Federal Register. Kristen stated that this list of chemicals is different from any OSHA list or EPA list, so facilities should obtain a copy of the rule to check applicability. Chief

Nesbitt stated that chemical facilities are not the only ones being effected by the Department of Homeland Security. Fire Depts and EMAs are also being required to comply with certain new rules.

Four new attendees were present at today's meeting: Tim Duvall and Robbie Evans with the City of Calhoun Fire Dept. along with Brad Gibbs and Larry Westerlund with Henkel Corp.

Byron Sutton mentioned about looking into an additional email notification of our monthly meetings on the day of the meeting as a last minute reminder. Byron suggested that maybe this could be done via the County's mass email system. Richard stated that he would inquire about this with Gordon County IT Department.

The next LEPC meeting will be held July 11, 2007 @ Gordon County EOC.

Richard Cooper made the motion to adjourn. Byron Sutton seconded the motion. All agreed.