

Future Direction of CEPP Program

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Little General Store Propane Explosion – WV January 30, 2007



BP America Refinery Explosion
March 23, 2005



Imperial Sugar refinery – Georgia
February 7, 2008



Chemicals in Schools



What's happened so far....

- Bhopal – 1984
- EPCRA passed – 1986
- CAA – 112(r) RMP – 1990
- DOT provides funding to States for chemical emergency planning and response
- Chemical Safety Board (CSB) formed – 1998
- 9/11 – 2001
- DHS formed bringing in FEMA and CG – 2002

What's happened along the way...

- Regulations developed (EPCRA, RMP, PSM, CFATS, etc)
- SERCs and LEPCs formed
- Facilities report accidents, inventories, and prevention plans to SERCs, LEPCs, and communities
- DOT and DHS provide funding to States for emergency response and preparedness training and homeland security activities

But what is really happening...

LEPC plans are developed, relationships among stakeholders are built, facilities and communities work together to prevent accidents, information is available to the public, school labs get cleaned up, responders get trained, and

Where do we go from here....?

- Build upon State and local infrastructure for chemical accident prevention and preparedness
 - Share/exchange ideas and efforts
 - Identifying measures of success
 - Ensuring facilities and LEPC are working together/coordinating on planning and prevention
- Focus on high risk facilities
 - Inspecting high risk facilities under RMP
 - Encouraging SERCs and LEPCs to use EPCRA authority
 - More proactive use of CAA GDC at chemical facilities
 - Training inspectors on high risk facilities such as refineries, etc.
- Improve data collection, quality, and analysis
 - Learning more from the information we have – RMP database, Tier II information, lessons learned from accidents, etc. – and adjusting our programs and efforts
