HM TAC Minutes January 16, 2007

Chief Locher opened the meeting with the introduction of new members (health, FBI, LEPC) and guests.

Chief Locher then introduced the two new Co-Chairs; Tim Flock, EMA Director of Crawford Co. and Harry Burdick, EMA Director of Marion Co.

Tim Flock talked about the TAC Chair Quarterly meeting held on Thursday, 1/11/07. (min. from meeting sent to Chief Locher and co-chairs via J. Dwertman). Tim also touched upon the two presentations given at the meeting. One was from Miami University, and covered civilian/private resource collection & typing. The other was from First Energy, which talked about what they do to move their people and equipment across the state or the country for a mutual aid response during an event.

It was thought that the TAC's could take something away from both presentations in there endeavors to create resource listings and SOG's for responding.

Discussion – Tom Beatty stated that HM teams will be defaulted to Type 4 until information is documented/team is validated to a specific Type. He also stated that only a Type 3 and up Team will be requested/dispatched through the Ohio Fire Chief Response (OFCR) Plan.

Several teams not included in OFCR Plan since they are private (industry) teams. Cost Recovery for such a team would be handled through the requesting responder to the Spiller. There is no cost recovery mechanism through EMAC or IMAC. Also EMAC and FEMA cost recovery differs.

Question on participation – if a team will not leave their county, are they put into the OFCR Plan? It is noted in past min. that a team accepting regional grant money; they must be willing to respond within their region, per Grant Guidance.

Regional Coordinators are to continue collecting county HM Team information and pass it along to OFCR Regional Coordinators.

ODH gave a presentation on how the Rad. Section is organized, job duties, and their role for Radiological Responses. The discussion was centered on what assistance the county's can expect from the state in the event of a dirty bomb incident or any other type of response. The conversation centered around "what does the state/TAC have to build to deal with two separate tasks; Prevention / Protection. Also mentioned were other resources within the state such as OSP, PUCO, and the 52nd. No definite outcome was voted upon, further discussion needed.

Mark Vedder reviewed Team Typing, self typing, and certification teams (3 people, site visits, aprox. 2 yr. process).

The need for MOU's were discussed. The Ohio Fire Chiefs are working on MOU's to cover Workers Comp, Vehicle Ins., etc.

Also discussed – Who should have to sign the MOU; Fire Chief vs. Chief Operating Officer of a County, City, TWP, etc.

Mel House brought up that the 07 DHS Grant is at OEMA and will be going out soon. He gave a general overview of the amount of money Ohio was receiving, and grant guidance. He encouraged Reg. Coordinators to work within there regions on what is needed and be ready to submit or put in for grant moneys.

Next meeting: 10:00 AM, Tuesday, February 20th, 2007, at OEMA.