State Emergency Response Commission
Training Task Force (TTF) (minutes)

Hilton Cocoa Beach Oceanfront
Sea Oats Meeting Room
1550 North Atlantic Avenue
Cocoa Beach, Florida 32931
July 12, 2018 – 9:30 AM

I. Pledge of Allegiance

II. Introductions

III. Approval of Minutes from April 12, 2018 Meeting

- Meeting minutes for April 12, 2018 were approved: motion made by Chief Jonathan Lamm and seconded by Mr. TJ Smith.

IV. TTF Conference Call Updates

- Chief Matt Marshall stated that the TTF is recommending the fire service to follow the recommendations of the Firefighter Cancer Support Network and support the efforts of the Florida State Fire Marshal with regards to cancer prevention legislation.

V. Current Business

1. Project Boxes – Matt Marshall

   - Toxmedic Protocols: Mr. Rick Stilp briefed that he and Mr. Toby Bevelacqua have prepared a draft update to the Toxmedic Protocols, this update also includes a Canine Dog component. They are currently “vetting” the draft document with various agencies and disciplines from across the State. The updated document, which currently contains 62 pages of protocols, will be presented in association with the upcoming SERC meeting. Chief Matt Marshall indicated that the next step will be to establish a Competency Checklist/Task Book.

   - Offshore HAZMAT Response Project: Mr. Forest Willis (USCG) advised that the joint off-shore hazmat response initiative between the United States Coast Guard (USCG) and the local hazmat teams in off-shore hazardous materials incidents remains a work in progress. Need to determine teams and their respective locations to develop regional training programs. Chief Scott Ehlers, Chief Steve Shaw, Chief Mike Murphy were previously requested to participate and have accepted. Mr. Willis indicated that one of the major universities recently received a sizable grant for the
establishment of a marine hazmat program. Mr. Willis concluded his remarks by identifying that he would like to see classroom portion component offered at the 2019 Hazmat Symposium.

- TTF SharePoint Portal: Chief Frank DeFrancesco identified that an ongoing initiative remains to bring all documents into one location. The documents would be stored on password-protected State Portal, yet others can and would be provided access if appropriate and justified.

2. 2018 Hazmat Assessment Process — Scott Chappell

- Mr. Scott Chappell was unable to attend, Chief Matt Marshall stated that the Florida State Fire College partnered with FFCA, FLAHR, SERC, TTF, and our LEPCs in revising the hazmat team assessment process to make it user friendly for all involved parties. The group combined two of the assessments tools into one. Recommend that each LEPC send the Self-Assessment Tool and a Hazmat Assessment Letter to each team in their region, they will use the spreadsheet to record the results from each team in their region. The SERC Assessment Scoring Tool is to be used to capture the results and to record the findings of the self-assessments. The assessment documents will be distributed mid/late July.

VI. New Business

1. FirstNet Presentation — Daryl Wise

- Mr. Daryl Wise presented on behalf of FirstNet a First Responder Priority Communications service. Mr. Wise discussed quality of service, priority and preemption when communications are in disarray during an emergency.


2. Institute for Disaster and Emergency Preparedness — Andre Roy

- Mr. Andre Roy from Nova Scotia University’s (NSU) discussed South East Area Maritime Industry Safety Training (SEAMIST) & Hazardous Materials Maritime Industry Response Training Safety Initiative (HazMITSI) program. Project SEAMIST has provided hazardous materials worker health and safety training to individuals employed on ships or those working in the marine shipping industry.

VII. Update from Agencies and Organizations

1. Florida Fire Chief’s Association (Chief Murphy)

- No update, Chief Murphy was unable to attend due to a conflict with the FFCA executive meeting.


- Chief Frank DeFrancesco indicate that the Florida Association of Hazardous Material Responders meeting Friday July 13, 2018 at 1:30 PM.

3. Florida State Fire College (Scott Chappell)
• Mr. Scott Chappell was unable to attend but Mr. John Kohnke stated that the Domestic Security Task Force Committee is looking for the capabilities of each team and recommendation of equipment, he added they are in the process of vetting the recommended list to support the teams.

4. Florida Department of Health
• Chief Matt Marshall stated that by the next SERC meetings we will have new representative from the Department of Health.

5. Other Agencies and Organizations
• Pipeline Emergency Response Initiative (PERI) and 2019 Hazmat Symposium:
  Chief Jonathan Lamm indicated that the PERI is a partnership with the pipeline industry which will be administered under the Hazmat Symposium. It is designed to provide direct links between the pipeline industry and first responders.

VIII. Upcoming Events
1. Schedule Next Conference Calls
   • August 22, 2018. @1:30 PM (EST)
   • September 19, 2018. @1:30 PM (EST)
2. Next Meeting October 18, 2018 – Destin, FL

IX. Adjournment