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Region 6 LEPC Update

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This month we bring you a new and exciting product for Region 6, the 2016 Region 6 Accidental Release Report, LGR success stories, and recaps of the 2016 LEPC Workshop tour and the HOTZONE conference, and updates on Interagency Operational Plans.

-Steve and Hilary

So You Have Heard of CAMEO, ALOHA, and/or MARPLOT...

... but just not too sure what they are, or if they will assist you in your work at your company or jurisdiction.

Well Region 6 EPA has developed a new product to help you make that decision.

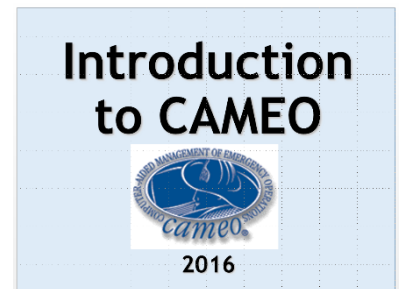
CAMEO Orientation is a presentation that will walk you through all the elements of the CAMEO Software Suite, including:

- The History of CAMEO
- What CAMEO Includes
- How You Can Use CAMEO
- Compatible Programs
- What Each Component Can Do – MARPLOT
- How to Get CAMEO Suite Software and Support
- Who Uses CAMEO
- What Each Component Can Do – CAMEO Chemicals
- What Each Component Can Do – CAMEOfm
- What Each Component Can Do – ALOHA

To access this presentation to learn more about CAMEO and its ability to help you manage your programs, go to:

www.epaossc.org/region6lepcs

Click on the Documents tab at the top of the screen, and then click on the CAMEO Orientation tab on the left side of the screen.





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ACCIDENTAL RELEASE REPORT 2016

***To view the Region 6 Accidental Release Report for 2016, please review the separate attached file titled “ANNUAL ACCIDENTAL RELEASE REPORT – 2016”, or email a document request to mason.steve@epa.gov.**

Success Stories

Local Government Reimbursement

EPA’s Local Governments Reimbursement Program (LGR) enables local governments to recoup costs spent in emergency response to hazardous substances. The program allows locals to apply to up to \$25,000 worth of reimbursement per incident, enabling local governments that do not have funds available to pay for hazmat response actions.

Livingston Parish, LA	Awarded \$6,950 for costs incurred while responding to multiple drug labs between October 23 rd , 2015 – June 2 nd 2016.
Terrebonne Parish, LA	Awarded \$8,786.18 for costs incurred while responding to an abandoned hazardous substance.
City of Athens, TX	Awarded \$19, 488 for costs incurred while responding to a hazmat fire.

Application for reimbursement through the LGR Program is relatively quick and simple, and is available to all local communities. For information on how to apply, visit

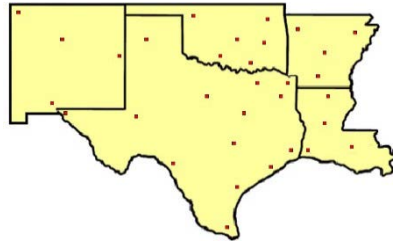
<https://www.epa.gov/emergency-response/local-governments-reimbursement-program>

LEPC Region 6 Workshop Tour 2016



The 2016 EPA Region 6 LEPC Workshop Tour came to a close this past October. EPA, OSHA, DHS, and state representatives collaborated to present 32 workshops between May and October 2016. A big “Thank You” to all of the state and local officials who coordinated to

host the workshops, and to the 1,480+ representatives of local, state, federal government, and industry representatives who came and shared their valuable input and perspectives. Approximately 292 of 519 LEPC’s within Region 6 were represented at the workshops - **that’s 56% of the LEPCs in our region!**



NM	OK	TX	AR	LA
18 / 33 LEPCs Represented	67 / 77 LEPCs Represented	122 / 270 LEPCs Represented	34 / 75 LEPCs Represented	51 / 64 LEPCs Represented

The presentations used during the workshops are posted at:
www.epaosc.org/lepcworkshops

WORKSHOP AGENDA

- EPCRA – 30 Year Anniversary
- Local Government Reimbursement Program
- Using Poison Control Centers during an Incident
- DHS – Chemical Safety Programs for your Facility
- Don’t Forget the Other Groups for Your LEPC
- Gee, Where Do You Think That Release is Going?
- OSHA – Worker Safety During a Disaster
- State Programs / Issues
- Revisions to EPCRA / RCRA / RMP / SPCC as they relate to LEPCs
- Questions / Closeout

WORKSHOP ORGANIZERS AND PRESENTERS

- Arkansas Department of Emergency Management (ADEM)
- Louisiana State Police (LSP) / Governor’s Office of Homeland Security and Emergency Preparedness (GOHSEP)
- New Mexico Department of Homeland Security and Emergency Management (NMDHSEM)
- Oklahoma Department of Environmental Quality (ODEQ) / Oklahoma Emergency Management (OEM)
- Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ)
- U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS) Region 6
- U.S. Department of Labor / Occupational Safety and Health Administration (DOL/OSHA) Region 6
- U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Region 6

Thank you to all those who emailed Steve Mason with feedback and positive comments. EPA Region 6 was able to share over 200 comments in the final report to EPA headquarters. This is how EPA Region 6 is able to show headquarters the value of conducting these LEPC workshops.



Training for Responders by Responders



17th Annual HOTZONE Conference

Local, state, and federal partners put together another great conference in 2016. The HOTZONE Conference, held each October in Houston, TX, offers training to attendees on hazmat response and planning. Nationally acclaimed speakers provide over 60 workshops on a wide variety of topics including chemical-specific response, hazmat chemistry, PPE selection, monitoring and detection equipment, mitigation, ICS, and CAMEO. HOTZONE also continues to host an LEPC-specific track of workshops. Over 500 people attended the conference, many on scholarships provided by HOTZONE. To view information about HOTOZNE, including future conference dates, visit www.hotzone.org.

UPDATE Federal Interagency Operational Plans

FEMA has released updated Federal Interagency Operational Plans (FIOP) for three of the five mission areas outlined in the National Preparedness Goal: Mitigation, Response, and Recovery.

- FEMA is hosting a series of 60-minute informational webinars with interested stakeholders to discuss the updates to the FIOPs. These webinars look to provide information regarding changes and updates as well as to answer questions related to the FIOPs.
- Advanced registration is required due to space limitations. Registration is on a first come, first serve basis.

To download the FIOPs, register for a webinar, or for more information on national preparedness efforts visit:

<http://www.fema.gov/national-preparedness>.

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Emergency Response Numbers

Arkansas Dept. of Emergency Management	800-322-4012
Louisiana State Police	877-925-6595
New Mexico State Police	505-827-9126
Oklahoma Dept. of Environmental Quality	800-522-0206
Texas Environmental Hotline	800-832-8224
National Response Center	800-424-8802
EPA Region 6	866-372-7745
CHEMTREC	800-424-9300



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