### SEDGWICK COUNTY, KANSAS
### EMERGENCY OPERATIONS PLAN

#### ESF10-Hazardous Materials

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Purpose

Emergency Support (ESF) #10 describes the prevention, preparedness, response and recovery activities actions unique to oil and hazardous materials response. ESF #10 addresses:

- Response to oil and hazardous materials incidents at both fixed sites and on transportation routes
- Specialized local, regional, state and federal mutual aid resources
- Hazardous materials planning and reporting requirements
- Short and long-term environmental clean-up

Scope

ESF #10 is a functional annex to the Local Emergency Operations Plan (LEOP) and, to the extent possible; information contained in other sections of the LEOP will be referenced but not be repeated in this ESF Annex.

Most of the agencies with ESF #10 responsibilities have existing emergency plans and procedures. ESF #10 is not designed to take the place of these plans; rather it is designed to ensure that specific hazardous materials planning requirements are met. When appropriate, ESF #10 will reference and support the departmental staffing and procedures already in place.

Policies

ESF #10 applies to all agencies with assigned emergency responsibilities as described in the LEOP.

Authorities and references specific to ESF #10 – Oil and Hazardous Materials Response (A general list of authorities and references is found in the Basic Plan.):

- Title III of the Federal Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act of 1986 (Public Law 99.499)
- Kansas Emergency Planning and Community Right-to-Know Act, KSA 65-5701-65-5712
- By-Laws of the Sedgwick County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC), Aug 11, 2009

The ESF #10 Coordinator and the support agencies are critical members of the EOC Team and will work within the EOC structure described in ESF #5 – Emergency Management.

Concept of Operations

General

Sedgwick County Fire District No. 1 along with Wichita Fire Department are the primary agencies for providing ESF #10 technical assistance, resources and support during response activities. Support from local fire departments is provided through mutual aid agreements.

Close coordination is maintained with local, state and federal officials to determine potential needs for support and the most
expeditious means of acquiring that support. Various incident management systems will be used for collecting, processing, and disseminating information.

**Responder Certification**

All firefighters are trained to at least the first responder operations level in accordance with 29 CFR 1910.120. Hazardous Materials team members are trained to the hazardous materials technician level under the same regulation. All EMS personnel are trained to at least the hazardous materials awareness level, as well as EMS competencies for NFPA 473 Level 1.

Providers of specialized equipment are responsible for ensuring the proper training and certification of equipment operators.

**Organization**

Small scale hazardous material incidents occur almost daily and are routinely handled by local fire departments, often with the assistance of utility companies and/or hazardous material (HAZMAT) clean-up contractors. For larger scale incidents or those involving more dangerous hazardous materials, specially trained and equipped fire service HAZMAT Teams are required, accompanied by a HAZMAT Medical Support Team. Responsibility for the clean-up of hazardous materials lies, under Kansas law, with the spiller. The County Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) is responsible for reviewing the adequacy of hazardous materials plans, available resources and responder training.

Wichita-Sedgwick County Hazardous Materials Task Force – Serving as part of the Kansas HazMat Regional Response Team, sponsored by the Kansas State Fire Marshal’s Office, this joint response effort involves funding, personnel, and equipment from Sedgwick County Emergency Management, Sedgwick County Fire District No. 1, and the City of Wichita Fire Department. Incidents requiring advanced capabilities anywhere within the borders of Sedgwick County are handled by the Task Force, while less demanding incidents receive a response limited to the appropriate jurisdiction’s team.

The Incident Commander will make all tactical field decisions using their Hazardous Materials Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs). These SOPs are maintained by Sedgwick County Fire District #1 and the City of Wichita Fire Department.

**Types of Incidents**

The release of a hazardous material into the environment can pose a significant threat to the community. The most likely occurrences of such releases are in the following areas:

- **Transportation Routes**

  Major highways, railroad lines and pipeline routes are primary corridors for the transportation of hazardous materials. The county’s major highway and railroad lines are contained in the Sedgwick County Hazards Analysis Plan. Pipeline maps are included with other information specific to that company in the pipeline section of this annex.

  Notification of a hazardous materials spill or release from transportation incidents is normally made through the 9-1-1 Dispatch Center, which will notify the respective jurisdiction’s fire department, the City of Wichita Environmental Services duty officer as well as the Sedgwick County Emergency Management duty officer.

- **Business & Industry**

  The County LEPC maintains a list of facilities reporting extremely hazardous substances (EHS) under the provisions of Title III of the Superfund Amendments and Reauthorization Act (SARA).

  In the event of a spill/release potentially endangering public safety, the facility is responsible for immediately notifying the Fire Department in the jurisdiction in which the incident has occurred. Notification will be accomplished by calling 9-1-1 and the appropriate Fire Department. The industry has the legal obligation to notify the LEPC, NRC, and KDEM on all releases. This
emergency notification must include:

- Chemical name and whether it is an extremely hazardous substance
- Estimate of the quantity released into the environment
- Time and duration of the release
- Medium into which the release occurred
- Any known or anticipated acute or chronic health risks associated with the release
- Advice on medical attention for exposed individuals
- Necessary precautions such as evacuation or in-place shelter
- Name of a contact person

The facility is required to provide ongoing information and assistance to the Fire Department, the Emergency Management Department and the EOC as required by the situation.

Any facility producing, using or storing one or more hazardous materials must also notify the National Response Center, the KDEM, the Kansas Department of Health and Environment and the Local Emergency Planning Committee (LEPC) of any release that exceeds the reportable quantity for that substance. Subject to this notification requirement are all materials on the CERCLA list and those on the list of extremely hazardous substances established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA).

- **Agriculture**

Pesticides, fertilizers and other common agricultural chemicals may also pose a threat to the environment if involved in an uncontrolled release or otherwise used improperly.

- **Illegal Dumping**

Used motor oils, solvents, paints, etc. can also threaten health and the environment if not disposed of properly. Biological and medical wastes can pose similar threats.

- **Radioactive Materials**

Interstates, railroads, and even commercial airlines are authorized routes for the shipment of certain types of radioactive materials. Fire district HAZMAT Teams provide the primary source of radiological monitors and radiological response teams for the county. There are no fixed nuclear facilities located in Sedgwick County, and there are no planned nuclear shipments in the future through the County.

**Public Warning and Notification**

Any wide-scale public warning will be accomplished through a combination of different media including, but not limited to: Emergency Alert System (EAS) notifications over radio/television stations and cable TV networks, paging systems for responders & the hearing impaired, public address equipment on fire and police vehicles, and door to door notifications, when feasible.

If requested by the IC, the EOC will notify any special facilities located in the affected area. In the event a special facility cannot be notified by telephone and it is safe to do so, a Police Officer will be dispatched to make direct contact with the facility using the appropriate personnel protective equipment.

For amplifying information on warning and notification activities, see ESF #2 – Communications.

**Decontamination**

Hazardous materials decontamination should be directed toward reduction of absorption, prevention of systemic exposure, confinement of the material to specific areas and the prevention of personnel contamination.
Decontamination personnel outfitted with proper personnel protective equipment will establish a decontamination area as directed by the IC. At a minimum, decontamination should consist of a minimum two-stage process of deluge water flushing – attention should be paid to water runoff.

Decontaminated victims should be prepared for transport with the proper clothing. Weather conditions may require adjustment of the decontamination procedures used.

The personal effects and equipment of individuals will be removed, collected, decontaminated, documented and properly contained.

The IC is responsible for ensuring that hospital personnel are notified of the following:

- The victims have suffered exposure to a hazardous material
- The type of hazardous material and amount of suspected exposure
- Approximate number of victims involved and their estimated time of arrival to facility
- Current status of the victims (i.e., decontamination in progress)

The receiving hospital will notify EMS providers at the scene of special procedures to follow (access route to emergency room, etc.) and the current capacity of their facility. All communications between hospitals and on-site EMS personnel should be coordinated (for additional information, see ESF #8 – Health and Medical Services).

Resource Augmentation

Regional Hazardous Materials Teams and Chemical Assistance Teams throughout the State of Kansas can assist if additional resources are needed under the authorization of the Kansas State Fire Marshal. McConnell AFB has special fire fighting foam that may assist with petroleum fire.

Outside Resources

- CHEMTREC

The Chemical Transportation Emergency Center (CHEMTREC) is a public service of the Chemical Manufacturers Association that provides immediate advice for those at the scene of an emergency and promptly contacts the shipper of the hazardous materials involved for more detailed assistance and appropriate follow-up.

CHEMTREC operates around the clock can usually provide hazard information guidance when given the identification number or the name of the product and the nature of the problem. When contacting CHEMTREC as much of the following information should be provided as possible:

- Name of caller and callback number
- Nature and location of the problem
- Guide number in use
- Shipper or manufacturer
- Container type
- Railcar or truck number
- Carrier name
- Consignee
- Local weather conditions

The successful use of the Hazardous Materials Emergency Response Guidebook may depend upon contact with CHEMTREC as soon as the incident has been surveyed and the immediate needs of the people involved in the situation have been handled.
Surrounding Jurisdictions

There are resources available from surrounding jurisdictions to augment those of Sedgwick County Fire District #1 in the event of a major hazardous materials incident. Sedgwick County Fire District #1 maintains mutual aid agreements with other jurisdictions.

State and Federal Resources

Several state agencies are available to provide resources and technical assistance to Sedgwick County including those of the Kansas Department of Transportation (KDOT), Kansas Department of Health and Environment (KDHE) and the Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM). The resources of the Federal Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and the Regional Hazardous Materials Response Teams may also be available to supplement County resources.

To request state or federal resources see ESF #5 – Emergency Management.

Spill Reporting

Federal and state laws require that federal, state and local agencies be notified in the event of a spill, discharge or accidental release of any material that may endanger people or pollute the water, air or soil. The responsibility for reporting these spills lies with the facility owner/operator or, for transportation incidents, the shipper. Initial notification is made by calling 9-1-1. [Insert text] will then call the necessary fire units and, if needed, a HAZMAT team and the HAZMAT Medical Support Team.

In addition to notifying 911, the spiller is also responsible for notifying the appropriate state and federal agencies depending on the type of incident. The [insert text] will check with the responding [insert text] to insure that proper notification has been made to the National Response Center (NRC) as needed. Other notifications will be made in accordance to State and Federal requirements per standard operating procedures.

For spills of hazardous materials covered under SARA Title III, the 9-1-1 call fulfills the spiller’s obligation to notify both the fire district and the County LEPC. Similarly, the call to the Kansas Division of Emergency Management (KDEM) constitutes the spiller’s notification of the State Emergency Response Commission (SERC). For fixed-facility spills that either affect or have the potential to affect other counties, the spiller has an additional obligation to notify the LEPC in each of those counties. If a spill occurs during transport, the shipper is required only to call 9-1-1. Regardless, CERCLA, EPCRA, Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA), or Oil Pollution Act (OPA) notifications must be made to KDEM, KDHE, and the NRC.

Notifications

Sedgwick County Emergency Management is notified of all hazardous materials incidents through paging systems and radio monitoring. If necessary, the Emergency Manager, or designee, will activate the County EOC and notify the appropriate officials.

A fire department representative will report to the EOC to serve as the ESF #10 – Oil and Hazardous Materials Response Coordinator. As additional EOC staffing needs become apparent, other agencies with support responsibilities may be asked to report to the EOC by the ESF #10 Coordinator or Sedgwick County Emergency Management.

Actions

Preparedness

- Maintain this ESF Annex and its attachments
- Ensure personnel are appropriately trained and equipped to deal with hazardous materials incidents
- Develop and maintain standard operating guides and checklists for hazardous materials incidents
- Ensure notification and call-up lists are current
- Participate in Emergency Management training and exercises
Response

- Deploy appropriately trained personnel to the incident
- Deploy a representative to the Sedgwick County EOC if requested
- Request mutual aid as needed
- Request assistance from the EPA, KDHE and others as dictated by the situation
- Coordinate the activities of all responding agencies
- Conduct other specific response actions as dictated by the situation

Recovery

- Continue to coordinate the activities of all responding agencies.
- Support community recovery activities
- Participate in after-action briefings and develop after-action reports.
- Develop and implement mitigation strategies
- Make necessary changes in this ESF Annex and supporting plans and procedures to improve future operations

Prevention

- Participate in the hazard identification process and identify and correct vulnerabilities
- Develop emergency preparedness programs for hazardous materials incidents

Direction and Control

The IC will attempt to isolate, contain and stabilize a hazardous materials incident until the material can be removed or disposed of properly. However, an incident could occur that is beyond immediately available resources and the only actions that may be taken are evacuation, shelter-in-place or other measures to protect local inhabitants and responding personnel.

The ESF #10 Coordinator will oversee and coordinate all responding organizations and assess their needs. The ESF #10 Coordinator work with the EOC Team to will help responding hazardous materials response resources obtain resources and ensure necessary medical services are provided.

Responsibilities

All tasked agencies will:

- Develop applicable standard operating procedures, guidelines and/or checklists detailing the accomplishment of their assigned functions
- When requested, deploy a representative to the EOC to assist with ESF #10 activities
- Provide ongoing status reports as requested by the Hazardous Materials Response Coordinator
- Maintain updated resource inventories of supplies, equipment, and personnel resources, including possible sources of augmentation or replacement
- Document all costs and expenses associated with response and recovery activities taking care to clearly separate disaster related work from daily work in the event that State and Federal reimbursement becomes available
- Maintain up-to-date rosters for notifying personnel and 24-hour staffing capabilities
- Perform other emergency responsibilities as assigned

Federal Assistance
The 73rd Weapons of Mass Destruction Civil Support Team (WMD-CST) based at the Kansas National Guard facility in Topeka provides support to local and state authorities at domestic WMD/NBC incident sites by identifying agents and substances, assessing current and projected consequences, advising on response measures, and assisting with requests for additional military support. The WMD civil support team is able to deploy rapidly, assist local first-responders in determining the nature of an attack, provide medical and technical advice, and pave the way for the identification and arrival of follow-on state and federal military response assets. The team can provide initial advice on what the agent may be, assist first responders in that detection assessment process, and are the first military responders on the ground, so that if additional federal resources are called into the situation, they can serve as an advance party that can liaise with the Joint Task Force Civil Support.

**HazMat Operations (per Wichita Fire Department)**

Gather as much information as possible before committing resources. Develop an incident action plan. Slow down and get the big picture, remembering that in some situations it might be better to let the incident stabilize itself. Be sure that decon is established before allowing entry into the hot zone.

- Establish Operations Staff
- Assist Command in determining hot, warm and cold zones

- **o Hot Zone**

- **o Warm Zone**

- **o Cold Zone**
  - Communicate the boundaries of all three zones to personnel
  - Determine resource needs
  - Assign decon team
  - Assign entry team
  - Assign back-up team

**Administration and Support**

**Support**

Requests for emergency assistance will be resolved at the lowest level direction and control facility with appropriate response resources capabilities. Unresolved assistance requests will normally flow upward from cities to the county, and/or field deployed command posts to responsible representatives in the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC), and as required to other states or the federal government for assistance support.

**Agreements and Understandings**

All agreements and understandings entered into for the purchase, lease, or otherwise use of equipment and services, will be in accordance with the provision of laws and procedures.

The Proclamation of a State Disaster issued by the Governor may suspend selected rules and regulations that affect support operations. The primary agency will determine the specific impact of the situation and inform the ESF group members.

**Status Reports**
The primary agency will maintain status of all outstanding assistance requests and unresolved ESF-related issues. This information will be summarized into periodic status reports and submitted in accordance with applicable operating procedures.

**Expenditures and Recordkeeping**

Each ESF agency is responsible for establishing administrative controls necessary to manage the expenditure of funds and to provide reasonable accountability and justification for federal reimbursement in accordance with the established guidelines.

The first source of funds for expenditures by agencies in response to an emergency, imminent disaster, or recovery from a catastrophic incident, is to be coordinated through the Sedgwick County Division of Finance and the Purchasing Department.

**Critiques**

Following the conclusion of any significant emergency event/incident or exercise, the primary agency representative will conduct an after action review of the group activities during the event/incident/exercise.

Support agencies will provide written and/or oral inputs for this critique and the primary agency representative will consolidate all inputs into a final report and submit it to the Sedgwick County Emergency Management Director.

**Attachments**

- List of hazardous materials and radiological resources
  - Suppliers
  - Services/contracts
  - Equipment
  - Equipment operators

- Location

- Quantity

- Type

- Area LEPC contacts
- Map of pipelines

- Map of water ways (Wyandotte County only)

- Map of fixed facilities

- List top 10 sites

- Radiological Incident Response Checklist

- Inventory of Radiological Instruments

- Radiological Incident Response Checklist

- Special populations and facilities that may be vulnerable to a hazmat incident

- Sample forms and logs

- Checklist of Actions