HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION November 17, 1993, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, KINAU HALE FIRST FLOOR CONFERENCE ROOM

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	Mufi Hannemann, Director, DBEDT or Representative		Jay Sasan, Hawaii LEPC or Representative
	Roger Fujioka, Director Environmental Center or		

Representative

Hawaii State Emergency Response Commission November 17, 1993

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BRIEF DR. LEWIN DR. ANDERSON

NOVEMBER 17, 1993

HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION MEETING #18

AGENDA

I. CALL TO ORDER (DR. LEWIN)

Updated copies of the current HSERC members and the newly appointed LEPC members are available. Contact Laura Young at the HEER office if additional copies are needed.

A training team from EPA is planning two two-day training sessions in Honolulu in Mid March, one specifically for federal facilities and the for industries already required to report under EPCRA. Contact Laura Young.

Review and Approval of Meeting #17 Draft Summary

11. UPDATE BY ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE (DR. LEWIN)

Kathy Ho is off island today and could not attend this meeting. There were no outstanding issues for the Attorney Generals Office, are there any issues that need to be brought up at this time.

III. HAZARDOUS MATERIAL TRANSPORTATION ACT (HMTA) UPDATE (DR. LEWIN TO INTRODUCE AL KANG)

Present an update of the progress of the HMTA grant including a review of the training course being provided, how grant funds are being expended and about how many people have gone through training.

IV. REVIEW OF REIMBURSEMENT POLICY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE FUND (Dr. LEWIN TO INTRODUCE LAURA YOUNG)

A draft policy is currently being reviewed by Dr. Bruce Anderson, the policy needs also to be reviewed by the Attorney Generals office and the Environmental Resource Office.

V. LEPC NOMINATION REVIEW/APPOINTMENT FOR MAUI COUNTY

The appointment of Maui LEPC nominations was deferred at the last HSERC meeting. At this time Maui County has provided nominations for appointment. Everyone should have a copy. Any Questions or comments? Are there any nominations from the HSERC to this LEPC? Motion

VI. SCHEDULE NEXT HSERC MEETING #19

We would like to schedule the next meeting after the end of the next legislative session. The HSERC staff would like to focus on assisting the new LEPCs, presenting HEPCRA workshops for federal facilities and industry and work generated by the \$100.00 filing fee.

JOHN C. LEWIN, M.D. DIRECTOR OF HEALTH

STATE OF HAWAII

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH

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HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION MEETING #18

November 17, 1993 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Department of Health Kinau Hale 1st Floor Board Room 1250 Punchbowl street

AGENDA

I.	Call to Order		
	A. Opening Remarks/Announcements B. Discussion/Approval of Minutes from Meeting #16		
II.	Update by Attorney Generals Office		
III.	Hazardous Material Transportation Act (HMTA) Update		
IV.	Review of Reimbursement Policy for Environmental Response Fund		
V.	LEPC Nomination Review/Appointment for Maui County		
VI.	Schedule Next HSERC Meeting #19		

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TO:

The Hawaii State Emergency

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FROM:

John C. Lewin, M.D., Chairman

The Hawaii State Emergency Response Wommission

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SUBJECT: NOTICE FOR HSERC MEETING #18

This is to invite you to attend the next meeting of the Hawaii State Emergency Response Commission (HSERC) to be held on Wednesday, November 17, 1993, 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. at the Department of Health, Kinau Hale Boardroom, 1st Floor, located at 1250 Punchbowl Street.

Topics of discussion will be the draft reimbursement policy for the Environmental Response Fund, appointment of LEPC representatives for Maui County, and an update on the Hazardous Material Transportation Act grant.

Enclosures:

Agenda for Meeting #18 Draft Meeting Summary Meeting #17 Meeting Summary for Meeting #16

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HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION MEETING #6 STATE CAPITAL, CONFERENCE ROOM 214 WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 8, 1989, 9:00 A.M.

AGENDA

- I. Opening Remarks
- II. Status of the Governor's Conference on Oil and Hazardous Substances Emergency Response for Public Officials
 - A. Speaker's Presentations
- III. State of Hawaii's Oil and Hazardous Substances Emergency Preparedness Program
 - A. Hawaii's Oil and Hazardous Substances Emergency Response Plan (Draft V)
 - B. Results of the Statewide Training Needs Assessment
 - C. Training and Exercise Update
- IV. County Representation on the HSERC
- V. Proposed legislative package for the upcoming legislative session
- VI. Other Business
- VII. Closing Remarks/Adjournment

JOHN WAIHEE



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MEETING SUMMARY HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION MEETING #5 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH BOARD ROOM 1 AUGUST 1989, 9:00 A.M.

SERC Commission Member Attendees:
Dr. John Lewin, Chairman, HSERC, DOH
Bruce Anderson Ph.D., Vice-Chairman, HSERC, DOH
Robert Boesch, for Suzannne Peterson, DOA
Tom Smyth for Roger Ulveling, DBED
Harlon Hashimoto Ph.D., School of Public Health
Major General Alexis Lum, DOD
Tom Kam for William Paty, DLNR
Ron Hirano for Edward Hirata, DOT
Jiggie Hommom, Red Cross
Clyde Yamachi for Marvin Miura, OEQC

Other Attendees: Rusty Nall, PENCO Jerry Willis, Clean Island Council Erwin Kawata, Honolulu Board of Water Supply Robert Roberts, HSPA Gerald Kinro, DOA Gregory Jones, USCG Captain Piche, USCG Captain Tanos, USCG Bruce Klimek, USCG Walter Nishimura, City DOH Barbara Sherwood, EMS-KCC Captain DeCosta, Honolulu Police Department George Souza, C&C Office of Information and Complaint Chief Kahoohanohano, Honolulu Fire Department Thomas Duarte, Maui Fire Department Roy Price, SCD Tom Batey, SCD Harry Kim, Hawaii Civil Defense Sel Menor, Maui Civil Defense Ken Higa, UNOCAL Ms. Nishioka, Hawaiian Electric Company

Joe Reed, Oahu Civil Defense
Thom Diggs, Oahu Civil Defense
Richard Kawakami, DBED
Eugene Lee, C&C DPW
Carter Davis, Honolulu Fire Department
Danny Dagdagan, PRI
George Kekuna, Oahu Civil Defense
Donna Maiava, DOH-EMS
Dr. J.K. Simms, DOH-EMS
Grace Simmons, DOH-Solid and Hazardous Waste Branch
Dr. Ron Metler, Kauai District Health Office

OPENING REMARKS

Dr. John Lewin, Chairman, spoke to the purpose of the meeting which was to review the progress made since the last HSERC meeting, and to approve Hawaii's Oil and Hazardous Substances Emergency Response Plan and Training Guidelines.

II. STATE OF HAWAII OIL AND CHEMICAL EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PROGRAM

A. Title III Progress

Mr. Jeff Klein gave a brief report of Title III. The total number of facilities that have reported Tier IIs to HSERC at this date is 203, excluding gas stations (Oahu-122, Kauai-25, Hawaii-24, and Maui-32). Difficulties with Data Management were noted: 1) turnover in trained personnel creates discontinuity in data management; 2) the need to coordinate information with the LEPCs and Fire Departments to ensure that the data received by one corresponds with data received by the others; and 3) the difficulties of acting as an emergency responder and other functions, as well as working on Title III issues.

B. Local Emergency Planning Committees

Ms. Nancy Gilder provided an update on the LEPCs. Due to last November's county elections there were changes in some LEPCs. For example, Hawaii is modifying its LEPC membership list and looking forward to more participation by the new administration. Kauai has assigned Mr. Clifford Ikeda as Hazardous Materials Specialist in charge of Title III. He is undertaking a "Plan of Action" charting LEPC activities through July 1990. The LEPC emergency response plan is also being revamped. Maui has assigned the mayor's Executive Assistant Valorie Peris as a Co-Vice-Chairperson to replace Floyd Miyazono. Maui is meeting with facility owners/managers to complete the facility profiles as

required under SARA Title III. They are also reviewing and updating their Plan.

The Honolulu LEPC has organized four Standing Committees: 1) Legislative, 2) Community Awareness/Right-to-Know, 3) Hazard Vulnerability Analysis, and 4) Planning. They have made twenty-two site visits and have prepared an emergency response plan for each facility. This represents a "risk mapping" of Oahu showing transportation routes to and from the facilities, and a hazard vulnerability area of 1/2 mile radius. The county has authorized and funded a Hazardous Materials Planning Officer to be filled by September 1.

C. Training Exercises Update

Nancy Woo-Larkin presented the upcoming training exercise schedule. Honolulu will have a full field exercise October 20, 1989. The pre-exercise briefing will be October 19th. Maui will hold a tabletop exercise October 24, 1989. The pre-exercise briefing will be October 23rd.

D. Spills Update

Jeff Klein provided a spill update. In 1988 the Department of Health responded to 45 spills. As of July 31, 1989, the total for the year is 73 which is a 278% increase. Oil is the predominant material being spilled. Two reasons were given for the increase: 1) greater public awareness, and 2) increased ability of the program to respond.

III. REGIONAL RESPONSE TEAM AND USCG UPDATE

The USCG noted that the Dispersant Agreement between the EPA and the Coast Guard has been signed. They reported that the RRT plan is being revised in response to the Valdez incident, at which time it was evaluated. It will address a worst case scenario, looking at the maximum potential spill, and the maximum "realistic" spill. Six billets funded by EPA will maintain a level A response support for the State only until June 1990.

IV. INITIATIVES AND PROPOSALS

A. Hawaii's Oil and Hazardous Substances Emergency Response Plan

Dr. Lewin moved to adopt the plan and open the floor for discussion. It was seconded.

The following was offered as necessary changes to the plan:

- * State Civil Defense noted that the plan is too specific. For example in the incident command structure, and assigning the Fire Department as the IC. They suggested changing the words "will" to "should".
- * SCD also suggested the section on State Information Systems was misleading. In that the CAMEO system is not networked to every agency such as the Civil Defense, it is not an encompassing state information system. Carter Davis mentioned the upcoming capability for CAMEO interaction with other systems. DOH and SCD will meet to further discuss this issue.
- * As a supplement to the State of Hawaii Plan for Emergency Preparedness Volume III, it should be general in format, consistent, and allow for flexibility. It should make reference to Volume III as necessary.
- * The method requesting federal assistance which requires the Governor's approval needs to be coordinated through FEMA and needs to be cross-referenced and not established separately.
- * Finally, it was suggested to better define the Red Cross's role in sheltering.

B. Training Guidelines

Nancy Woo-Larkin reviewed the 5 training categories and requested the HSERC approval of the Training Guidelines in order to move forward with the survey for the statewide need for training. Once staff complete the training needs assessment the TSERC will design an ongoing training program and request funding for the training in the future Department biennium budget submission. DBED noted there was no mention of private industry in the guidelines.

C. Governor' Proclamation

From previous TSERC meetings came a suggestion for a Governor's Proclamation of a HAZMAT Week and/or an Emergency Preparedness Week to raise public awareness of the issue of oil and hazardous substances spills and Hawaii' state of preparedness. The Proclamation should be made around the time of the proposed Governor's Conference on Oil and Hazardous Substances and Hawaii's Emergency Response for Public Officials planned for the fall.

D. HAZMAT Conference

A draft agenda for the Governor's Conference on Oil and Hazardous Substances and Hawaii's Emergency Response for Public Officials was opened for discussion to the Commission and the general audience. The following comments were offered:

- * Another topic, perhaps more related to Honolulu, such as transporting chemicals, or a potential spill at the harbors be included at the conference.
- * A field exercise should be held at the same time to "exercise" the plan.
- * A session for the private sector be should be included.
- * Vendors should be provided an opportunity to display their equipment and videos of equipment in use.
- * DOSH assistance should be solicited due to their experience in similar undertakings.

IV. OTHER BUSINESS

The Fire Department has 15 positions for a Honolulu HAZMAT Team included in the Fire Department's budget on the condition that the Department exert effort on the State to recover part of the \$306,000.00 for salaries.

Hawaii County's LEPC Chairman requested County representation on the HSERC. Dr. Anderson said the Commission would give it serious consideration. Due to the fact that the Governor appoints the SERC membership, he would have to develop a recommendation.

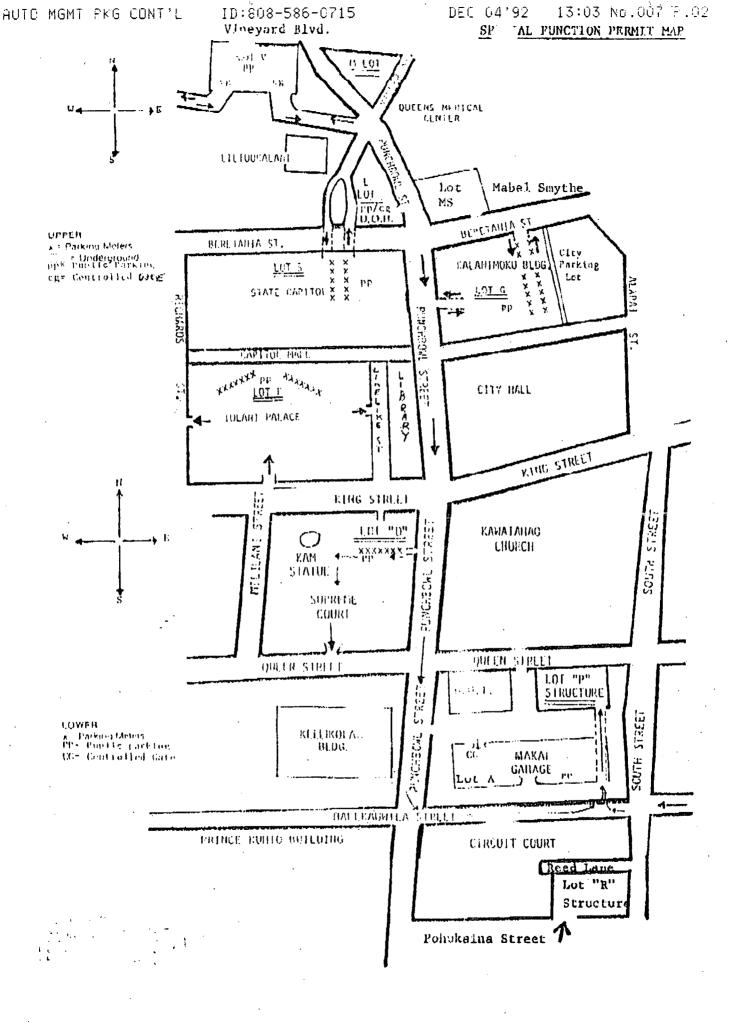
V. CLOSING REMARKS/ADJOURNMENT

Dr. Anderson asked everyone for their continued support in emergency response preparedness for the state of Hawaii.

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August 31, 1993

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Meeting Summary HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

Thursday, May 13, 1993 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Department of Health Kinau Hale Board Room, 1st Floor 1250 Punchbowl Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96814

HSERC Commission Members and Representatives

John C. Lewin, M.D., Chair, HSERC, DOH
Roy Price for Major General Richardson, DOD
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Russell Charlton, for Dayton Nakanelua, DLIR
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Ralph Moore for Rex D. Johnson, DOT
Eugene Lee for Chris Takeno, Honolulu LEPC Coordinator
Clifford Ikeda, Kauai LEPC Co-Chair
Harry Kim, Hawaii LEPC Chair

Other Attenders

Blake Vance, Hawaii Sugar Planters Association Mike Choy, Hawaiian Electric Company Kathy Ho, Attorney Generals Office Jay Sasan, Hawaii County Safety Office Carter Davis, Honolulu Fire Department Joseph Blackburn, Maui Fire Department Laura Young, DOH, HEER Rhonda Goyke, DOH, HEER Steve Armann, DOH, HEER

I. The Sixteenth Meeting of the Hawaii State Emergency Response Commission was called to order at 9:10 am, May 13, 1933.

Approval of Minutes

The draft summary of the Fifteenth Meeting of the HSERC were

approved with no changes.

II. Update by Attorney Generals Office

Three issue from HSERC meeting #15 were addressed by Kathy Ho. The first issue was the compensation for equipment used during a hazardous material emergency response. According to the Environment Response Law 128D(4)(c) there are two modes to request compensation 1) Request compensation from the Director of Health and it is at the discretion of the Director to reimburse the responders for equipment used, decisions cannot be appealed. Under 128D(19) if the agency is ordered by the Director to clean up a chemical release and the request for compensation is denied, the decision may be appealed. Dr. Lewin stated that a DOH policy needs to be developed. Joe Blackburn's request for compensation for an incident that occurred on Maui was authorized.

The second issue pertained to representation of the LEPC by the Attorney Generals Office. As set forth in HB 1653 Section 5, Functions and Duties of the LEPC, if sued, a member may request assistance from the AG office if the LEPC member is within the scope of his duties and is acting in an official capacity. The request for representation will more than likely be granted. The final decision for each case is at the discretion of the Attorney General.

The third issue was enforcing EPCRA compliance. EPCRA has strict reporting requirements that can be enforced by the agency, statute provides for sanction, a citation system will be legislative, we will have to go back to the legislature to amend the statute.

III. Steve Armann update the HSERC on HB 1653. HEPCRA was passed by the legislature and is awaiting Governor Waihee's signature. There was little opposition to the bill. The \$100.00 filing fee will go into General Fund and at the next legislative session those funds can be requested to meet the general operating needs of the Hawaii Emergency Planning Community Right to Know Act. Dr. Lewin stated that we did have the option to ask for more funds than collected.

IV. HMTUSA Update

Roy Price announced that he did get a confirmation call for the HMTUSA grant on May 12, 1993. The contract was in the mail.

V. HIOSH Training

Russ Charlton gave overview of training and distributed the Title 12, DLIR, Chapter 99 Hazardous Waste Operations and Emergency Response. Focused on five sections: Purpose, Scope and Application, Definitions, Training, and Emergency

Response to Hazardous Substance Releases by Employees.

Appendix E was reviewed for releases of hazardous substances in the work place, the three categorized included 1) releases that are clearly incidental 2) releases that may be incidental or require an emergency response depending on the circumstances and 3) releases that require and emergency response regardless of the circumstances.

Specialist employees 12-99-18(f) can include DOH employees that must show competency annually, should be advisors to county agencies, not incident responders.

Training Section 12-99-18 the five major categories of emergency responders were reviewed.

- 1. First responders awareness level
- 2. First responder operations level
 - 3. Hazardous material technicians
 - 4. Hazardous materials specialist
 - 5. On-scene incident commander

OSHA has a response team located in Salt Lake

Refresher training

Post emergency response operation training requirements are very different from those described for responders, being more stringent as described in 12-99-17

For information on Training contact

Worker Training and Education Branch Occupational Health and Technical Services NIEHS, North Campus Building, Room 1810 Research Triangle Park, North Carolina 27709

Roy Price announced the following training courses

Hazardous Materials Contingency Planning San Jose, CA June 28 - July 2, 1993

Western Fire Chief's Conference Maui July 27 - 29, 1993

Chemistry of Hazardous Materials Honolulu August 9 - 19, 1993

Hazardous Materials Technicians's Course Honolulu October 4 - 15, 1993

Emergency Response to Hazardous Materials Incidents

Technician Level Honolulu October 11 -15, 1993 Hilo October 18 - 22, 1993

Emergency Response to Hazardous Material Incidents Honolulu, May 9-13, 1994

Safety and Health Decision Making for Managers Honolulu April 26 - 28, 1994

Civil Defense command post type exercise will be held in June to resolve hazmat items that occurred during Hurricane Iniki.

Ralph Moore asked if anyone is monitoring movement of infectious and hazardous waste. Some of the waste solids are reactive/ignitable when mixed or come in contact with water.

At this time DOT does not have control or adequate equipment to determine what is being transported in sealed containers. Dr. Lewin suggested John Harder join us at the next HSERC meeting and address this issue. Steve Armann stated that the Office Solid Waste Management was not in charge of transport.

Roy Price stated that many people or businesses don't know of regulations, mandates are passed with no resources to implement or educate those affected by them.

Harry Kim stated the Hawaii County Civil Defense continuously looks to HEER office for assistance. Steve Armann stated that the HEER Office will always respond to request for assistance from neighbor islands.

Ralph Moore described incident of an abandoned drum on freeway near Red Hill, since the drum was not leaking the fire department left the scene and did not remove the drum. DOT finally got two employees to move drum, DOT is still in possession of the drum. Ralph Moore stated that it was not clearly understood who has the responsibility for the drum removal but he took care of it. Harry Kim stated that the Incident Command system should have been implemented till drum removed. Who was responsible for it and follow-up. HEER Office would have hired a contractor for removal. Since many incidents involve DLNR and DOT they should be made aware of their responsibilities.

VI. LEPC Membership Representation

The lists for LEPC membership representation for Maui was received just before the meeting and contained only seven

nominations. Dr. Lewin postponed any appointments until the list from the Island of Hawaii and Maui can be checked with EPCRA to determine if all requirements for LEPCs are being met with the nominations. Dr. Lewin also requested that lists from the Honolulu City and County LEPC and the County of Kauai present their LEPC membership list at the next HSERC meeting.

VII. Other Business

Announcement: Peter Hirai of The American Red Cross announced that Rheta Thielen, Director of Disaster Relief Services will be taking the place of Jiggie Hommon.

Roy Price asked about the possibility of HECO or one of the larger companies to sponsor a series of workshops on outer islands to review hazmat training and emergency response systems in place on the outer islands. Harry Kim also suggested approaching local Chambers of Commerce as sponsors.

VII. Meeting adjourned at 11:00 am

Respectfully Submitted

Environmental health Specialist

October 22, 1993

DRAFT MEETING SUMMARY

HAWAII STATE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMISSION

Friday, August 30, 1993 9:00 am to 12:00pm

Department of Health
Kinau Hale Board Room, 1st Floor
1250 Punchbowl Street
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I. CALL TO ORDER

A. Opening Remarks/Announcements

The 17th meeting of the HSERC was called to order at 9:15 am on August 30, 1993.

Dr. Lewin requested that HSERC Commission members submit official designation letters for their representatives. The designated person has all powers and authorization of directors.

B. Discussion/Approval of Minutes from Meeting #16

One correction on the minutes of Meeting #16 and approved.

II. UPDATE BY ATTORNEY GENERALS OFFICE

There was no outstanding business for the Attorney General.

III. REVIEW OF REIMBURSEMENT POLICY FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESPONSE LAW

Steve Armann gave a review of the reimbursement policy. Joe Blackburn's request for reimbursement is being reviewed and sets the precedent for cost recovery in Hawaii. Steve Armann estimated that the draft policy will be available at the next HSERC meeting. However, if the draft policy is ready sooner he will distribute it to commission members to review and discussion can take place at HSERC meeting #18. There is only a limited amount of money in the Environmental Response Revolving Fund, and we don't want to exhaust the fund leaving nothing for emergency responses. Emergency response expenditures are many times not recoverable because responsible parties cannot be identified.

The HEER office would like to develop a program and fund just for cost recovery. We must make sure that reimbursements from the ERRF will be recoverable from responsible parties, so the net effect on the fund will be close to zero. Dr. Lewin asked how fast can the fund be depleted. At this time there is about \$140,000 in the ERRF but litigation settlements should provide substantial contributions to the ERRF. The underlying public health purpose of the fund is for a clean and protected environment and if more money is needed to be appropriated from the legislature, it should be approached.

Captain Joe Blackburn's cost recovery item concerns included personnel costs in regards to overtime, travel, and medical monitoring.

Captain Carter Davis raised his concerns regarding an outer island need for the Hazmat team, thus necessitating the recall of personnel in Honolulu to provide coverage in Honolulu.

The ERRF is available for emergency response actions to hazardous substance releases. The Oil Tax Fund, established under Act 300, is restricted to petroleum responses only.

Provisions for training costs were questioned as a cost from the ERRF, Civil Defense has received 40% of \$62,000 of HMTUSA grants that will be used for training and planning. Kapiolani Community College was contracted to provide training to the public and the private sector in basic awareness of hazardous substances.

Don Gransback requested assistance from Dr. Lewin in establishing two training positions at State Civil Defense. A letter will be sent to Sharon Miyashiro of the Department of Personnel Services supporting the establishment of the two training positions.

IV. LEPC NOMINATION REVIEW/APPOINTMENT

Motions to appoint the nominations to the LEPC by the respective county mayors of Kauai, Honolulu and Hawaii were carried.

A motion to defer Maui County LEPC nominations until awareness and education can be conducted by Captain Joseph Blackburn with Mayor Crockett Lingle and her staff was also carried.

Any changes in nominations must be approved by the HSERC. Jim Vinton of BHPPA (H) asked if the chairman of the LEPC must be a member of the LEPC. Steve Armann stated that the LEPC chairman must be from the LEPC and cannot be appointed by the Mayor or the head of the lead agency. The Mayor of each county is asked only to designate a lead agency for administrative support and funding purposes.

V. Training Needs

Joe Blackburn was interested in State funding a Specialist course for Response to Hazardous Materials, much of his staff is not trained. There has been a lag in offering courses. Don Gransback said a lack of instructors may contribute to the delay. Carter Davis stated that instructors are available, but there is only one person in charge of training. Don Gransback asked for assistance in establishing the two training positions that have not been passed by personnel since the transfer of training responsibilities two years ago. Dr. Lewin supported Civil Defense efforts to establish these positions by sending a letter from him to Sharon Miyashiro of the Department of Personnel Services.

VI. Schedule for HSERC Meeting #19

The next meeting is tentatively scheluled for Monday, November 15, 1993.

The 17th meeting of the HSERC was adjourned at 10:45 am, August 30, 1993.