

## MINUTES

Eugene Toxics Board – Industry Subgroup  
Fire Conference Room, Second Floor  
Eugene Emergency Services Center  
1705 West Second Avenue, Eugene

December 19, 2013  
3:00 PM

PRESENT: Sheena Gardner, Rick Nicol, members; Joann Eppli, Fire Department staff.

ABSENT: Wendy Cecil, member.

Ms. Eppli called the meeting of the Toxics Board Industry Subgroup to order at 3:10 PM.

### I. PUBLIC COMMENT

There were no members of the public in attendance to offer public comment.

### II. TOXICS PROGRAM GAP/IMPACT ANALYSIS

Toxics Board Industry Subgroup members reviewed and discussed a chart showing a comparison of Toxic Reporting Requirements between Local, State and Federal programs, as well as information submitted to the subgroup from Ms. Cecil who was unable to attend the meeting. Mr. Nicol also distributed copies of reporting information for his company. Ms. Eppli asked Toxics Board Industry Subgroup members to review the Toxics Reporting comparison chart, and let her know if they had any changes.

Ms. Gardner commented that reporting for the Eugene Toxics Right-to-Know Program takes a lot more time than the other agencies hazardous substance reports, even though data reported are the same.

Ms. Gardner then drew a chart on the whiteboard showing areas of reporting duplication for her company, and opined that characteristic chemicals (waste) are not duplicative during the inventorying process, however it is duplicative in the overall reporting process and use of staff time. She suggested looking into making what is reported under the Eugene Toxics Right-to-Know Program more useful and more manageable for industry. Eliminating reporting of characteristic chemicals would result in less City staff time spent on all aspects of reporting, as well as less industry staff time. Ms Gardner noted that when characteristic chemicals are disposed of as hazardous waste, there is no minimum number that triggers reporting. She proposed raising the topic for discussion at the next full Toxics Board meeting. Mr. Nicol agreed.

Ms. Gardner and Mr. Nicol also agreed that the information submitted by Ms. Cecil was similarly representative of the situation for both of their organizations. They directed Ms. Eppli to check-in with Ms. Cecil about forwarding the information to the full Toxics Board in preparation for discussing this topic at the January 9, 2014 Toxics Board meeting

The meeting adjourned at 4:25 PM.

*(Recorded by Jo Eppli)*