

## Exercise 2

### COML Interactions with IC/LSC

### Unit 2 – INSTRUCTOR VERSION

#### Purpose

The purpose of the exercise is to provide the students with an opportunity to practice receiving, organizing, and requesting all of the appropriate information during the initial briefing by the IC/LSC.

#### Objectives

Students will:

- Identify the key information provided to the COML by the IC/LSC during the Initial Briefing.
- Recognize any incomplete information and ask questions accordingly.
- Draft an ICS 201 form.

#### Exercise Structure

This exercise is scheduled to last approximately 30 minutes. The instructor will read from the Train Derailment ICS 201 form and the IC/LSC briefing in the instructor guide. The exercise is an instructor led discussion and students will ask questions during the exercise. Based on this information, students will discuss the significance of the information received and draw conclusions (students will fill out an ICS 201).

#### Rules, Roles, and Responsibilities

Students will work individually, led by the instructor.

Following are the specific activities/ instructions for your participation in the exercise:

1. Listen to the IC/LSC briefing.
2. Ask appropriate questions to complete the briefing and perform as a COML.

Instructors moderate discussions, answer questions and provide additional information as required.

### Exercise 2 Schedule

Activity	Duration	Participation Type
Instructor Briefing	10 minutes	Classroom
Question and Answer/Discussion	20 minutes	Classroom

## IC/LSC Briefing (FOR INSTRUCTOR USE ONLY)

### Instructions

Use the train derailment ICS 201 form and the bulleted information as an IC/LSC would use to generate discussion. You do not have to use all of the bulleted information. The questions on the following page are information not included, but the COML should have, and that students should ask. Have the students remove the blank ICS 201 form to take notes as you review the information. At the conclusion of the exercise, the students should have a draft of their ICS 201.

### Update of the Situation

- Our AHIMT has been assigned to the Railroad incident.
- There are numerous Hazmat concerns: Contamination of the Roaring River with diesel and other chemicals, chlorine release along with anhydrous ammonia, LPG railcars have already exploded with other unknown LPG railcar conditions.
- Central City Police Department (CCPD) on scene reporting chlorine gas clouds downwind of leaking railcars
- As of now, the CCPD is in charge of evacuating residents immediately adjacent to the spill on both sides of the river due to danger posed by the chlorine gas
- Five Hazmat teams are en route from surrounding areas
- The Mayor has requested assistance from the state
- Red Cross is establishing an evacuation center at North High School in Central City
- Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is en route due to the contamination of the Roaring River and the killing of Coho Salmon
- DNR is closing the Roaring River 25 miles downstream to fishing and other recreation
- Agencies from fire, police, environmental health, DNR, Red Cross, Coast Guard, EPA, Emergency Medical Agency (EMA), railroad, among others are converging at the Incident Command Post (ICP)
- ICP is at the Central City Community Park eight miles north of the incident
- Due to the possibility of more LPG railcars igniting, power to the immediate areas is being shut off
- There are downed power and phone lines in the area of the incident
- Emergency Dispatchers are receiving calls from outlying areas from concerned families and friends
- Emergency responders are extremely understaffed and this is taking a toll on the responders

### Specific Information

- We are to support the ongoing operations and develop plans to integrate or assume command at some future time.
- Emergency workers are being overwhelmed and are not being adequately cared for. More will most likely be needed before this mission is completed.
- Rescue and mitigation operations are ongoing and will continue for an unknown period of time.
- As the communication unit leader you need to assemble your staff, procure equipment and be ready fulfill the needs of the communication unit in supporting this mission.
- We need to know what resources and equipment are assigned, what resources and equipment have been ordered, what resource and equipment orders have been filled and what resources and equipment are needed
- Establish a relationship with the Emergency Operations Center (EOC), ordering point, and the ordering process.

### Information Needed to Assist in Setting Up a Communications Unit (not in order of importance)

#### **Where is the communication center located?**

The location is needed for the COML to make contact with local comm. techs and find out what systems and frequencies are set in place (if any) for emergency use. The Communication Center for this incident is at the Liberty County Communication Center. (LCCC)

#### **What is the ordering process?**

Must know to expedite getting equipment, supplies and personnel for this incident. It may be different for each incident or event. This incident goes through ORDERING.

#### **What is the work schedule? Day/night operational periods?**

12/24 hour shifts? Needed to plan for staffing of the unit. This incident will have day and night operations and run 12hour shifts.

#### **What are the policies and operating procedures?**

Who has jurisdiction and is there an agreement in place for mutual aid. Through agreement the IMT has set up Unified Command with Central City and Liberty County.

#### **What assigned contractors for communications do we have? (satellite, phone, cell phone company, etc.)**

These services have not been ordered.

#### **What types and numbers of resources are committed and where are they located?**

Need to know to order specific supplies for communication i.e. batteries and extra radios.

#### **What types and numbers of resources are ordered and en route?**

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**What is the current and anticipated situation?**

Due to the nature of a Hazmat incident the current situation is slow and tedious to make sure we are getting as much information as possible. The anticipated situation is it will be a long time before everything is cleaned up.

**What is the expected duration of the incident?**

Unknown. It depends on the Hazmat teams mitigating the railcars. Don't count on a quick solution. Plan on a long incident.

**What are the safety hazards for the IMT at the ICP?**

The biggest concern is if there is a change in wind direction. However, the ICP has been located far enough away as to not be of concern for contamination.

**What are the time keeping procedures?**

Ensure each of your personnel turn in daily time sheets. Also ensure they have an adequate work to rest schedule.

**What other agencies are involved?**

Agencies from fire, police, environmental health, DNR, Red Cross, Coast Guard, EPA, Emergency Medical Agency (EMA), railroad, among others are converging at the Incident Command Post (ICP)

**What are the meeting schedules for Logistics, Planning, etc.?**

Logistics meetings will be at 1000hrs, Planning meetings will be at 1100hrs for the night shift and 2000hrs for the day shift. Day briefing will be at 0600hrs with night briefing at 1800hrs.

**What is the availability of local utilities?**

There are personnel from power and gas companies that will be liaisons for the incident.

**What is the availability of local communication personnel?**

The LCCC has a shift supervisor that is available for any question or needs you might have.

**What are the sleeping arrangements for both day and night shift personnel?**

Facilities Unit Leader is working on places for both day and night sleeping.

**What frequencies and systems are being used for communications?**

Right now we are using one of the command frequencies and tactical frequencies from LCCC.

**Are there aircraft in use?**

No. The only aircraft that might be used would be a medical helicopter and that is not assigned to the incident. (Refer to the 206)

**Is there a Medical Plan initiated for the personnel assigned to the incident?**

Yes. Follow the procedures for both ground response and air response.