

**MINUTES**  
**UTAH STATE LPG BOARD**  
March 18, 2016

Approved

**BOARD MEMBERS PRESENT**

Don Adams, Chair  
Karl Humphrey  
Ellis Willson

**BOARD MEMBERS EXCUSED**

Amanda Cross  
Les Whitney  
Tracy Halladay

**STATE FIRE MARSHAL'S OFFICE STAFF**

Ted Black, Chief Deputy  
Kurt Nielsen  
Robert Erickson  
Boyd Cook  
Kevin Bolander  
Jana DeMille

**STAFF EXCUSED**

Coy Porter, SFM

Members of the LP Gas Industry

**Item #1** - The meeting was called to order at 10:00 a.m., with Chair Don Adams presiding. Board Members Amanda Cross, Les Whitney, and Tracy Halladay were excused. Coy Porter, State Fire Marshal, was also excused.

**Item #2** - Because there was not a quorum of Board Members present, the approval of meeting minutes for December 11, 2015 was tabled until the next Board Meeting. .

**Item #4** - Robert Erickson reported on the Rocky Mountain Propane Association meeting held March 10-11, 2016 in Idaho. On the 10<sup>th</sup>, Robert attended the class "Expanding Sales through Customer Service." Although the SFMO doesn't sell product, this class offered good information on providing customer service to propane companies. The next day, attendees separated into groups by State. The group from Utah was very small and it was decided to hold this meeting at a later day still to be determined.

**Item #5** - Kurt Nielsen offered a preliminary report on his investigation of the Turner Gas rollover near Brigham City on March 8, 2016. Kurt was notified of the accident and arrived on scene approximately 4:30 pm. He found the truck rolled on the driver's side. It was pulling doubles and the pup was upright. The accident was on SR13 facing westbound, blocking both east and westbound lanes. No other vehicles were involved. There was loss of product. Liquid propane was coming out of the 1<sup>st</sup> pressure relief valve. The fire department had sprayed water on the tanker, which caused the propane to freeze and minimize the leak. Mountain States was on scene getting the truck pumped down so the pressure relief valve would be in the vapor space and the leak would stop. The truck was eventually able to be uprighted. The highway was closed from approximately 1:30 pm until 8:30 pm for cleanup. The driver had been with Turner Gas for about 20 years, and his certification and training are current. Turner Gas also has a

current license and has always maintained a current license. The driver did sustain some injuries, and is reportedly doing fine. Kurt did receive a copy of the police report from Utah Highway Patrol. The driver was cited by UHP. Kurt will continue his investigation and will give a final report to the Board at the next meeting. At this time, Kurt recommends no action against the driver or Turner Gas due to their good standing and training. The driver is no longer employed by Turner Gas.

**Item #3** – Boyd Cook reported to the Board on the status of the online testing program. There have been a few glitches that have been or are being worked through. The testing site is being used and overall is working well, and we have received good feedback. Boyd provided handouts to the Board with additional information. Copies of the handouts are filed with the minutes. Boyd asked that Board members give any or suggestions they have to the SFMO.

**Item #6** - Because there was not a quorum of Board Members present, the election of a new Board Chair and Vice Chair was tabled until the next Board Meeting.

**Item #7** – No old business was discussed.

**Item #8** – No new business was presented to the Board

**Item #9** – The next Board Meeting will be held on Friday, June 10<sup>th</sup> 2016 at 10 am, at the Murray City Hall, Council Chambers, 5025 South State Street, Murray, UT 84107.