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Webinar #1: Massachusetts Contingency Plan (MCP) 2024 Amendments Training Part 1 (MCP Non-Subpart I)

January 23, 2024, Live Webinar via Zoom from 10:00am – 12:15pm

Presenter Biographies:

Elizabeth Callahan has over 30 years of experience working in the Massachusetts Department of MassDEP's Waste Site Cleanup Program. In her current role as Acting Assistant Commissioner for the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup (BWSC), Liz oversees the programs managed by BWSC, including site cleanup under the MGL c. 21E and Massachusetts Contingency Plan, sites regulated in coordination with USEPA, emergency response, Marine Oil Spill Prevention and Response, and Natural Resource Damages. Liz previously served as BWSC's Division Director for Policy and Program Development and has held positions in MassDEP's Northeast Regional Office BWSC site management and audit units. Liz has a Bachelor's degree in Biological Sciences from Wellesley College and a Master's degree in Public Policy from Harvard Kennedy School.

Paul Locke is a retired MassDEP employee returning to the Department part-time to develop and present in-person and on-line training. Prior to his December 2022 retirement, Mr. Locke worked at the MA Department of Environmental Protection for 35 years, most recently as the Acting Deputy Commissioner for Operations, where he worked with all the MassDEP Bureaus and Regions on the implementation of the Department's programs. Paul has also served as Acting Deputy Commissioner for Policy & Planning, focusing on the development of MassDEP programs.

Previously Paul held a number of positions within the Bureau of Waste Site Cleanup, including serving as the Assistant Commissioner. The Bureau oversees the notification, assessment, cleanup, closure, and restoration of sites contaminated with oil and hazardous materials. Prior to that, Mr. Locke led the Risk Analysis Group within the MassDEP Office of Research and Standards.

Mr. Locke holds a Bachelor's degree in Chemistry from Harvard College and a Master's degree in Civil Engineering from the Tufts University program in Public Health.

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