

Eric Deselich

Tetra Tech, Inc: Planner / Responder / Trainer / Chemist

Mr. Eric Deselich is retired from the Kansas City Missouri Fire Department where he spent 24 years as a firefighter and chemist on the department's hazardous materials (hazmat) team. He has worked as Project Manager in Tetra Tech's Disaster Management / Community Resilience Group for 12 years overseeing projects for local, state, and federal government clients, as well as private industry, involving emergency response and operational planning, first responder training, program evaluation, and preparedness exercises. Mr. Deselich has also conducted several hazmat response capability assessments at the county, regional, and statewide levels. In 2016, he served as Project Manager and Technical Lead for a two hazardous materials commodity flow studies (CFS) in Kansas designed to fill information gaps about the flow of hazmats through numerous communities and allow local public safety agencies to make informed decisions regarding a host of planning and response issues.

As a trainer, Mr. Deselich has served as a Lead Instructor for the EPA Region 3 First Responders Program and routinely provides hazmat technician-level training and specialized instruction to responders throughout the country. As a responder, he provides technical assistance and serves as a responder in support of Federal On-Scene Coordinators deployed to hazmat/oil spill/discharges throughout Region 7. Response duties include: regular training on response equipment; development of health and safety plans; 24/7 response support; and technical reporting.

### **Overview of Hazmat Commodity Flow Studies (CFS)**

- Introduction
- CFS Goals and Objectives
- Project Methodologies
- Data Collection: New and Existing Data
- Reporting of CFS Findings
- Use of CFS Results
- Q & A