Region 6 Update for the week of February 20, 2017

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Catahoula Oil Spill, Larto, LA – Response

On February 21, 2017, the EPA and EPA contractors plan to mobilize to the Catahoula Oil Spill site in Larto, LA, to begin development of an oil well Plugging/Abandonment (P&A) plan with the Army Corps of Engineers as well as with State officials. Subcontract approval for the P&A work has been provided.

Corpus Christi Drinking Water Response Final - Data Posting

During the week of February 20, 2017, data from the Corpus Christi drinking water response is expected to be posted on the TCEQ website. Final lab data from the EPA Houston Lab has been received and assimilated into data tables and maps. Data tables and maps will be shared with TCEQ.

Chocktaw Bayou Oil Spill, Iberville, Parish, LA - Update

As of February 12, 2017, the Responsible Party's (RP) contractor, Oil Mop (OMI) continues to collect free oil and oily debris from the impacted areas of the Choctaw Bayou Oil Spill site in Iberville Parish, LA. The oil is very difficult to collect because soap was applied to the oil for many months. OMI also began sediment sampling. Sample results for the storage tanks should be received this week and will be used to determine disposal options. EPA continues to provide oversight and coordinate with Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office (LOSCO), Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) and the RP. At this time the RP continues to be financially responsible for the cleanup activities.

Explo Systems, Camp Minden, LA - Update

As of February 15, 2017, the total amount of M6 propellant destroyed to date is 13,039,997 pounds, equating to 81.5% of the total. The Citizen's Advisory Group (CAG) meeting was held on February 13th and the Contained Burn System was the main topic of discussion. The site On-Scene Coordinator (OSC) and Community Involvement Coordinator (CIC) met with the Chairman of the Webster Parish Police Jury. The Chairman's main concerns regarded the prior National Priority List (NPL) listing of the site and other waste potentially buried at Camp Minden that was not covered by this current removal or past EPA assessments. The Louisiana Military Department (LMD) revised the L2 Clean-up work plan and submitted a final revision to EPA and Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ). EPA plans to conditionally approve the work plan subject to LMD posting the document to the LMD website for public feedback. EPA reviewed LMD's submittal of the Operations and Maintenance Plan and provided comments. The next CAG Meeting is scheduled for March 13, 2016.

Inspections
CWA 311 Spill Prevention Control and Countermeasure (SPCC) and Facility Response Plan (FRP)

Facility Name	Statute	Action	City or County	State	Projected Inspection Date	Targeted Prompt
Anderson TB, Hough Oil & Gas	CWA	Inspection	Osage County	OK	2/15/2017	Referral/Complaint
Bluestem D&E TB, SM Oil & Gas, Inc.	CWA	Inspection	Osage County	OK	2/15/2017	Referral/Complaint
Sol Robinson/Thomas TB, Graham Oil	CWA	Inspection	Osage County	OK	2/16/2017	Referral/Complaint
B.M. Johnson Lease TB, Jireh Resources	CWA	Inspection	Osage County	OK	2/16/2017	Referral/Complaint
B.J. Lease TB, G.C. Bickham	CWA	Inspection	Pontotoc County	OK	2/22/2017	Referral/Complaint
Hoffman No. 1 TB, Randy & Jan Walker	CWA	Inspection	Seminole County	OK	2/22/2017	Referral/Complaint
RB No.2 TB, Phoenix Oil & Gas	CWA	Inspection	Pottawatomie County	OK	2/22/2017	Referral/Complaint
West Lake Verret Facility, White Oak	CWA/OPA	Inspection	Morgan City	LA	2/22/2017	USCG Referral (SPCC/FRP/Drill)
LM #36-1, ALM #37-1 Commingling Facility, Castex	CWA/OPA	Inspection	Houma	LA	2/23/2017	FRP Approval
Fina Fee D #1, Bayou Jean LaCroix Field, Desco	CWA/OPA	Inspection	Houma	LA	2/23/2017	FRP Approval
Hackberry Storage	CAA/RMP	Inspection	Hackberry	LA	2/14/2017	High Risk

Jacobs A. Hands WWTP	CAA/RMP	Inspection	Las Cruces	NM	2/14/2017	
Pilgrim's Pride – Mt. Pleasant Prep	CAA/RMP	Inspection	Mt. Pleasant	TX	2/15/2017	High Risk, NEI
INEOS USA LLC/Hobbs Fractionation Complex	CAA/RMP	Inspection	Seminole	TX	2/21/2017	High Risk
MarkWest Javelina	CAA/RMP	Inspection	Corpus Christi	LA	2/22/2017	High Risk, EJ/MVD

Pilgrim's Pride, Mount Pleasant, TX – Inspection

On February 22, 2017, EPA Region 6 Risk Management Plan staff will be conducting an inspection of the Pilgrims Pride facility in Mount Pleasant, Texas. The regulated facility is a High Risk facility which falls under the National Enforcement Initiative for ammonia. Appropriate enforcement actions will be taken based on the final inspection report submitted to the Enforcement Officer.

City of Carrolton, TX - Inspection

Inspection of sewage collection system to evaluate sanitary sewage overflow (SSO) issues and capacity management operation and maintenance program for controlling SSOs. This inspection will take place February 22-23, and we anticipate representatives of the TCEQ to accompany the Region.

Osage Mineral Reserve – Inspection

Osage Mineral Reserve inspections are ongoing as part of the Region's direct implementation program activities. EPA inspectors respond to produced waters discharge complaints, conduct compliance and follow-up inspections, and witness scheduled routine activities such as mechanical integrity tests and well pluggings.

Eldorado Chemical Superfund Site – Sampling

During the week of February 27, EPA and USGS plan to sample wells located on the Eldorado Chemical Facility as well as two wells located adjacent to the Site. The purpose of the sampling event is to have an updated understanding of the conditions of the wells.

Amarillo Phosphine Incident, Amarillo, TX – Sampling

During the week of February 20, 2017, EPA expects to share the air sampling data from the Amarillo Phosphene incident with the established Unified Command. Preliminary data for the air sampling was shared with Unified Command in early February. EPA has received the final results for the confirmative air sampling that was completed by EPA. The data is being validated and upon validation completion will be shared with Unified Command.

Metairie Energy Oil Spill, Plaquemine, LA – Sampling

During the week of February 20, 2017 EPA expects to continue sediment sampling from the Metairie Energy oil spill that occurred near Plaquemine, LA in late January, 2017. The majority of free oil and oiled debris has been collected and is staged on-site awaiting disposal. Disturbance of the underwater sediment within the impacted area generates additional oil at the surface of the water. A significant amount of oil may be resting on the surface of the sediment. Sediment sampling has begun and will continue through the week. Sampling results will determine the strategy to address any submerged oil. EPA, US Coast Guard (USCG), Louisiana Oil Spill Coordinator's Office (LOSCO), and Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality

(LDEQ) are performing oversight of the clean-up efforts.

Grants Mining District – New Mexico Environment Department Visit

During the week of Feb. 20, EPA will visit the offices of New Mexico Environment Department to review and retrieve archival documents pertaining to uranium mining in the Grants Mining District, New Mexico. If time allows, the enforcement team will visit the Cibola Beacon to review archived newspapers to gain additional information on the operational history of the area.

Tar Creek Superfund Site – Meeting

On February 23, 2017, the Technical Assistance Services for Communities (TASC) contractor intends to meet with the community at the Tar Creek Superfund site. The TASC contractor will be providing assistance in interpreting the Data Gap Summary Report to the L.E.A.D. Agency and other community participants on the Tar Creek Operable Unit 5 Remedial Investigation.

Griggs and Walnut Ground Water Plume NPL Site – Technical Meeting

On February 23, 2017, EPA intends to meet with the City of Las Cruces Water Utilities Administrator and consultants, in Las Cruces, to discuss the City's technical comments on the EPA's First Five-Year Review Report. In the report dated September 2016, EPA deferred on making a protectiveness statement until additional data can be collected to assess the potential indoor air vapor intrusion pathway for several residences and other potential future land uses at a primary source area. The City is a Potentially Responsible Party that currently operates the site ground water remedy.

Homestake Mining Company Superfund Site - Technical Meeting

On February 22, 2017, representatives from Homestake Mining Company intend to visit the EPA Region 6 Office to meet with the Superfund site team. The purpose of the meeting is to discuss the status of the ongoing Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study status and the potential siting of a solar plant west of the large tailings pile. Homestake is partnering with a commercial entity and wants to discuss this project with EPA.

Shreveport, Louisiana – Meeting

On February 22 and 23, 2017, Brownfields staff will be meeting with the City of Shreveport officials as part of EPA's Strategic Framework Assistance for moving the Jackson Iron and Metal Scrapyard to an alternate location as part of the City's land swap. All of these activities are tied to the City of Shreveport's area wide planning grant in 2013 which focused on redevelopment of the Cross Bayou area. This technical assistance will assist the City of Shreveport in moving one step closer to redevelopment of the Cross Bayou area.

Jackpile-Paguate Mine Superfund Site – Briefing for Council Members

On March 4, 2017, EPA Remedial Project Manager and EPA's National Decontamination Team

representatives, intend to brief the Laguna Pueblo Council members regarding the findings from the October 7-9, 2016, Aerial Gamma Radiation Survey. EPA's briefing will describe the aerial survey as an additional method for identifying focused areas of interest for future sampling. The October 2016 survey was an expanded follow-up to a 2009 survey, conducted on behalf of Region 6's Emergency Response and Removal Program, working within the Grants Mining District legacy area. Despite enhanced technical advancements for conducting the aerial gamma survey, similar results were observed within the overlapping areas, indicating relatively low to moderate levels of gamma radiation within the site boundaries

Petro-Chemical Superfund Site Consent Decree - Conference Call

During the week of February 20, 2017, EPA Remedial Project Manager, Site Attorney, and Enforcement Officer plan to have a conference call with the Department of Justice Attorney to discuss EPA Region 6's response to Beazer's comments on the draft Consent Decree Amendment #2.

Sikes Disposal Pits Five Year Review Follow-up - Conference Call

On February 22, 2017, EPA intends to hold a conference call with the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality Project Manager, to discuss plans to continue addressing sediment sampling and ground water monitoring issues identified in the Sikes Disposal Pits Superfund Site Fifth Five Year review that was completed in September 2016.

South Cavalcade Superfund Site Consent Decree - Conference Call

During the week of February 20, 2017, EPA Remedial Project Manager, Site Attorney, and Enforcement Officer plan to have a conference call with the Department of Justice (DOJ) Attorney to discuss EPA Region 6's response to comments submitted by Beazer, the Potentially Responsible Party for the site, on the draft Consent Decree Amendment #2. EPA Region 6 is requesting input from DOJ before finalizing the responses. The Consent Decree Amendment 2 is to address the Record of Decision Amendment #2. Beazer's primary comments included construction work conducted on-Site and adjacent to the Site by Third Parties. Their position is they will not pay for EPA's costs for review of work plans and discussions that EPA has with Third Parties. The Consent Decree comments we have sent the DOJ includes clarification of the Site Property and the Technical Impracticability (TI) Zone and that any Third Party discussions and reviews that EPA does that pertains to the Site and/or TI Zones will be Beazer's responsibility to pay.

Issuance of Final NPDES Permits – EPA Permits

The weeks of February 13-24, 2017, the following permits are expected to be issued/reissued by EPA following signature of the final permit and transmittal letters by the Water Division Director. Should issues arise, the permit issuance dates could be delayed, which could affect the permit effective date for authorization to discharge for new permits.

NPDES Number	Facility Name
TX0124024	Plains All American Pipeline, L.P.
TX0134020	J.B. Bomba – Guinn Operating (west of the 98th meridian oil and gas produced water discharge)
TX0134032	CMR Energy, L.P.
TX0134043	Delek Logistics Operating, LLC
TX0134044	Beckville Gas Processing Plant
LA0050971	Chitimacha Tribe of LA WWTP No 1

Little Rock Wastewater - Fourche Creek Wastewater Treatment Plant (NPDES Permit AR0040177) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to issue a letter with comments to LDEQ regarding the proposed permit modification of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by the February 22, 2017.

Arkadelphia - Sun Bio Project (NPDES Permit AR0052761) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to issue a letter with comments to ADEQ regarding the proposed issuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by February 24, 2017. The regulatory due line is March 9, 2017.

FutureFuel Chemical Company (NPDES Permit AR0035386) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to send a response to ADEQ regarding the proposed reissuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by the regulatory due date March 1, 2017.

Ouro Mining, Inc. - Bates Mine (NPDES Permit AR0051900) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to send a response to ADEQ regarding the proposed reissuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by the regulatory due date March 1, 2017.

Remington Arms Company, LLC - (NPDES Permit AR0001163) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to send a response to ADEQ regarding the proposed permit modification of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by the regulatory due date March 1, 2017.

City Water and Light Plant of the City of Jonesboro - Eastside Wastewater Treatment Plant (NPDES Permit AR0043401) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to send a *response to ADEQ regarding the proposed reissuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination* System permit by the regulatory due date March 1, 2017.

Tyson Poultry, Inc. d/b/a River Valley Animal Foods (NPDES Permit AR0042455) - State Permit Review

NPDES Permits and TMDL Branch proposes to send a response to ADEQ regarding the proposed reissuance of the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit by the regulatory due date March 1, 2017.

Louisiana Offshore Oil Port (LOOP), LLC, Deepwater Port Complex, (joint venture of Marathon Pipe Line LLC, Valero Terminaling and Distribution Company, and Shell Oil Company) (LPDES Permit No. LA0049492, AI No. 4634) - State-EPA Joint Permit

The existing wastewater permit which was jointly issued by EPA & LDEQ expired September 30, 2013. EPA and LDEQ are continuing to work together on the proposed reissuance of the permit regarding appropriate permit requirements for brine discharges. This situation is similar to the Strategic Petroleum Reserves (SPR) under the U.S. Department of Energy, (Big Hill Oil Storage, TX0092827, and Bryan Mound Oil Storage, TX0074012) which EPA reissued in Nov. 2014. (Note: LDEQ included LOOP as an FY2017 "Priority Permit." If it cannot be issued in FY 2017, EPA R6 must get EPA HQs approval to "switch" to another Priority Permit Candidate which LDEQ can issue in FY2017 to meet our R6 commitment for End-of Year.) Next steps include an internal meeting the week of Feb. 21 or 27, followed by a call with LDEQ probably the first week of March 2017. The joint LDEQ/EPA permit will be reissued ASAP.

INVISTA S.à.r.l., wholly-owned subsidiary of Koch Industries, (formerly duPont), Victoria County (TPDES Permit No. TX0006050, Texas State Permit No. WQ0000476000) – State Permit Review

EPA R6 issued an Interim Objection and Request for Additional Information to TCEQ on July 25, 2012. TCEQ finally responded in November 2016 with a revised proposed permit package and also provided corrected information in January 2017. EPA R6 is currently re-reviewing the old and new documentation and will issue *either*: 1) a Withdrawal of Interim Objection Letter, if the issues have been resolved, **or** 2) a Follow-up Letter (re: the original July 25, 2012 action), stating specifically what the remaining issues are and offering suggestions for resolution, if appropriate. Letter to be issued to TCEQ by approximately March 1, 2017.

Cal-Maine Foods, Inc., Cal-Maine Farms Pine Grove Complex (LPDES Permit No LA0115894, AI No. 94326) - State Permit Review

An Interim Objection and Request for Additional Information was *drafted* for issuance on

October 7, 2016; however, LDEQ requested that LDEQ and EPA continue to work informally to resolve EPA's concerns regarding this Concentrated Animal Feeding Operation (CAFO) of approximately 800,000 laying hens which produces poultry eggs. LDEQ anticipates sending a revised proposed permit package to EPA R6 in the near future. EPA anticipates that LDEQ has resolved the concerns and EPA R6 expects to issue a Letter with any final comments by approximately March 1, 2017.

City of Denton- Pecan Creek Water Reclamation Plant WWTF (TPDES Permit No WQ0010027003, EPA No. TX0047180) - State Permit Review

TCEQ has resolved issues raised in January 12, 2017, Interim Objection. Branch proposes to issue a Withdrawal of Interim Objection letter regarding the proposed reissuance of the Texas Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (TPDES) permit. The regulatory due date is February 24, 2017.

UIC Permit to Convert a Production Well into a Class II Injection Well, Osage County, Oklahoma - Permit

The public comment period on this draft permit has ended with no comments received. The final permit is ready for issuance to Performance Energy Resources, LLC. Permit No. 6466.

UIC Permit to Modify a Class II Injection Well and Operating Parameters, Osage County, Oklahoma - Permit

The public comment period on this draft permit has ended with no comments received. The final permit will be issued to Warren American Oil Co., and will allow placement of a 4.5" steel liner inside the 5.5" long-string casing, reduce the frequency of mechanical integrity testing, and reduce injection pressures. Permit No. 5133

Americas Styrenics – CAFO

On February 21, 2017, EPA expects to file a Consent Agreement and Final Order (CAFO) with Americas Styrenics, LLC ("AmSty") for flaring-related violations of NSPS and MACT requirements at AmSty's facility in St. James, Louisiana. Violations include failing to comply with good air pollution control practices by over-steaming the flare and causing poor combustion. As part of the settlement, AmSty has agreed to install and operate enhanced monitoring systems at its flare and comply with a combustion zone net heating value standard that ensures high combustion efficiencies. In addition, AmSty will pay a civil penalty of $27,500. AmSty has also agreed to install the same enhanced monitoring equipment and operate to the same standard as its other flare as a Supplemental Environmental Project for the cost of $110,000. AmSty has also agreed to several mitigation projects including an equipment/engine replacement of an old fire water truck with a new Tier 3 fire water truck and the use of the thermal oxidizer to manage emissions when applicable tanks are degassed or opened to the atmosphere.

Final UIC Authorization to Inject for a Class II UIC Well, Osage County, OK - Letter

Final approval letter authorizing injection into a Class II injection well in Osage County, Oklahoma as part of an enhanced oil recovery operation for Performance Operating Company, LLC (UIC permit 6308).

Mescalero Closure of Spring Sources - Letter

EPA Region 6 intends to notify the President of Mescalero Apache Tribe that we have acknowledged the closure of their spring sources of public drinking water. Their springs have been disconnected and two public water systems have been combined into one, the Mescalero Community Water System. Goal date to send letter: Feb. 17, 2017

New Mexico 2016 Annual Monitoring Network Plan - Letter

Approval of New Mexico Environment Department's (NMED's) 2016 Annual Monitoring Network Plan for the Particulate Matter Network. EPA conducted the technical review in accordance with Clean Air Act requirements for Ambient Air Quality Surveillance (40 CFR Part 58 and its Appendices). The Associate Director for the Air Branch is scheduled to sign the approval letter on February 22, 2017.

Louisiana Department of Health Drinking Water Program Asbestos Waiver - Letter

Letter from EPA Region 6 to LDH commenting on an asbestos waiver request allowed under the Safe Drinking Water Act. The letter outlines steps that should be taken by LDH to demonstrate asbestos is not present in source waters or transmission and distribution lines, and therefore eligible for the nine-year waiver request. Louisiana and all Region 6 states have received this waiver request in the past. LDH has completed robust source and distribution system sampling and analysis to confirm the lack of asbestos in source water and transmission and distribution lines at public water systems. Goal date to send letter: Feb. 22, 2017

Iowa Nation on Level 2 Assessment - Letter

EPA Region 6 intends to notify the Iowa Nation of our findings from the Level 2 Assessment that was conducted during January 19-20, 2017. The assessment was completed by EPA Region 6 in response to two consecutive Level 1 triggers under the Revised Total Coliform Rule for drinking water systems. Since the Level 2 assessment was completed, the water system has been communicating with EPA, correcting findings, and responding to follow up activities including a schedule for addressing the remaining findings. Goal date to send letter: Feb. 17, 2017

Jicarilla Apache Nation on Multiple Violations Under the Surface Water Treatment Rules - Letter

EPA Region 6 intends to notify the Jicarilla Apache Tribe of the recent issues found and a summary of violations at Jicarilla Dulce Water System, pertaining to the Surface Water Treatment Rules. A recent review of their monthly operating reports (MOR) going back in time, shows turbidity excursions and highlights the need for the water system to address the surface water treatment issues before they negatively impact public health. Goal date to send letter: Feb. 17, 2017—**Approved for release**

Total Petrochemicals Consent Decree - Stipulated Penalties Demand Letter

As early as February 21, the Department of Justice is expected to issue a soft demand letter to Total Petrochemicals & Refining, USA, Inc., for acid gas, tail gas, and hydrocarbon flaring incidents at its Port Arthur, Texas, refinery. Pursuant to the 2007 consent decree, EPA determined that stipulated penalties have accrued in the amount of $408,435. EPA discussed flaring incident reports with Total and clarified all factual information used in its evaluation prior to requesting that DOJ issue the demand letter.

ExxonMobil Baton Rouge Consent Decree - Stipulated Penalties Demand Letter

As early as February 21, EPA intends to issue a demand letter to ExxonMobil Refining and Supply Company for an acid gas flaring incident its Baton Rouge, Louisiana, refinery. Pursuant to the 2005 consent decree, EPA is assessing a total penalty of $82,500. Half of this total is paid directly to LDEQ as a partner in the CD, and they are aware of this action. EPA discussed flaring incident reports with ExxonMobil and clarified all factual information used in its evaluation prior to preparing the demand letter.

Kickapoo Traditional Tribe, Eagle Pass, Texas – Violation Letters

Violation letters to the Kickapoo's Traditional Tribe and Pecan Farm water systems for not monitoring for disinfection byproducts during Quarter 4 2016 in December 2016. Water system is encouraged to return back into compliance by sampling for disinfection byproducts in March 2017 at the correct sampling sites. Goal date to send letter: Feb. 23, 2017

Sole Source Aquifer - Letters

Anticipate approximately 15 letters to various requesting governmental agencies clearing federally funded projects from ground water protection provisions under the Sole Source Aquifer program of the Safe Drinking Water Act. This program requires all federally funded projects located on recharge areas for Sole Source Aquifers to obtain EPA approval for the funded project, in an effort to assure protection of the drinking water aquifer.

San Jacinto River Waste Pits, TX – Issue General Notice/104(e) Information Request Letters

During the week of February 20, 2017, EPA will issue letters to McGinnis Industrial Maintenance Corp. and International Paper Corp. (two of the Site's five Potentially Responsible Parties (PRPs)) on their Financial Assurance Requirements to comply with the Administrative Order on Consent (AOC) for the Time-Critical Removal Action (TCRA) and the Unilateral Administrative Order (UAO) for the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS). Letters will notify both PRPs that they shall present to the EPA for approval a form of financial assurance that reflects work cost of $1,000,000 as specified for the AOC TCRA and they shall also present to the EPA for approval a revised form of financial assurance that reflects work cost of $1,000.000 as specified for the UAO RI/FS.

SBA Shipyard, Jennings, Jefferson Davis Parish, LA – 30 Day Extension Letter

During the week of February 13, 2017, 104(e) Information Request Extension letters are planned for Chevron and Cytec Industries Inc., Hess Corporation, CF Industries Holdings, Inc., and Axiall Corporation. The EPA anticipates that there will be additional 30 Day Extension Requests.

Star Lake Canal, Groves, Jefferson County, TX – 104(e) Information Request letters

During February 2017 the EPA will issue a 104(e) Information Request letter(s) to the refinery/refineries that TCEQ reports indicate had released hazardous wastes onto Molasses Bayou. Molasses Bayou is a marshy land area that is part of the Site. Also during February 2017 the EPA will issue a 104(e) Information Request letter(s) to the current owner(s) of the part of Molasses Bayou onto which the hazardous wastes had been released.

CES Environmental Services, Inc.- Houston, Houston, TX –General Notice letters and/or 104(e) Information Request letters

On Thursday February 23, 2017, David Bates (Lubrizol, CES PRP) will meet in Dallas with the EPA to present Lubrizol's findings concerning its search for additional PRPs. Mr. Bates has advised the EPA that Lubrizol has identified approximately 800 parties, in addition to those the EPA has already identified. The EPA plans to review Lubrizol's records and findings before making any decisions concerning action on the identified parties.

Delta Shipyard, Houma, Terrebonne Parish, LA – 104(e) Information Request Letter

During February 2017 the EPA will issue a 104(e) Information Request letter to the current owner of the site, Dean Services West, L.L.C. requesting additional ability to pay information.

Dupont LaPorte - Request for Reimbursement Letter

By February 17, 2017, a Request for Reimbursement letter will be issued to Dupont for EPA costs expended on the removal action at the site. Past costs total $78,018.72.

New Mexico Environment Department Grant Amendment

This action is an amendment to the 2017 New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) grant which funds their hazardous waste program. The amendment provides $30,000 to support additional actions critical to developing a Title 6 Program and to resolve a specific complaint on the Triassic Park RCRA facility. The grant amendment is scheduled to be signed by the 6MM and 6MD Directors on February 22, 2017.

No Migration Petition Deficiency Notification for Vopak, Deer Park, Texas - Email

An email is in preparation to Vopak transmitting deficiencies and the proposed decision fact sheet and compliance conditions for their request for reissuance of an exemption to the land disposal restrictions for its hazardous waste injection well. The well is used to dispose of waste, both hazardous and nonhazardous, related to their storage tank farm operation (e.g., wastes from

cleaning of the tanks). The tank farm has 243 tanks with over seven million barrels of storage capacity. Vopak also currently accepts hazardous waste from external sources for processing and disposal. This reissuance is to extend the operational life of their injection well.

Alexandria/Pineville, LA - Data Assessment Report

Providing the draft Community Environmental Data Assessment Report for Alexandria and Pineville, LA, to the Louisiana Department of Environmental Quality (LDEQ) for review and input. The Community Environmental Data Assessment Report is designed to provide the community and members of the Community Sustainability Network (CSN) with an overview of *the Making A Visible Difference* in Communities project, including EPA soil sampling results at Hunter Park in Alexandria, and soil, air and indoor wipe sampling results at the Rapides Training Academy in Pineville. The Associate Director for the Hazardous Waste Branch is scheduled to sign the request for review letter on February 22, 2017.

2016 NMED PWSS Program End of Year Review—Report

EPA Region 6 intends to send an End of Year Report summarizing EPA's 2016 annual review of NMED's Drinking Water program by February 28th. EPA is required to conduct an annual review of the state's delegated program to ensure New Mexico continues to meet all conditions needed to retain primacy for the Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) program.

2016 TCEQ PWSS Program End of Year Review – Report

EPA Region 6 intends to send an End of Year Report summarizing EPA's 2016 annual review of TCEQ's Drinking Water program by February 24th. EPA is required to conduct an annual review of the state's delegated program to ensure TCEQ continues to meet all conditions needed to retain primacy for the Public Water System Supervision (PWSS) program.

2016 Arkansas Drinking Water Program End of Year Review - Report

Description: The Arkansas Drinking Water Program End of Year Review was conducted in December 2016 at the Arkansas Department of Health's (ADH) Engineering section in Little Rock, Arkansas. The program reviews the actions performed by ADH over the year regarding implementation of drinking water rules, number of sanitary surveys conducted, availability of state funding and staff resources, along with enforcement actions. Date: March 3, 2017

Chaco Canyon Project – Environmental Impact Statement (EIS)

On February 20, EPA intends to issue a Cooperating Agency letter regarding the Chaco Canyon Project. The purpose of the EIS is to evaluate mineral leasing and associated activities in the San Juan, Rio Arriba, McKinley, and Sandoval Counties in New Mexico, which encompasses approximately 4,200,000 acres of land, including approximately 1,900,000 acres of Tribal surface land; 1,300,000 acres of BLM-managed land; across 17 Navajo Nation chapters; individual Indian allotments; and numerous Chapter House residents. This is a non-issue.

Pojoaque Basin Regional Water System – Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS)

On February 27, EPA intends to issue a DEIS letter regarding the Pojoaque Basin Regional Water System project. The project will reduce reliance on groundwater in the Pojoaque Basin and to allow the Settlement Pueblos to receive a portion of the water provided under the Settlement Act. The project would capture water from the Rio Grande, treat it to drinking water standards, and distribute it to residents via a series of pipes and storage tanks. This is a non-issue.

FOIA R6-2016-003705 Response to Aaron Mintzes, Earthworks, on New Mexico UIC Program Delegation

The request was for the delegation agreement between EPA and New Mexico for the UIC program. The requestor was emailed the links to the publically available documents on the state's website.

FOIA R6-2016-001377 Response to the *Dallas Morning News* on UIC Disposal Wells in Texas

A response has been prepared to a FOIA request from the *Dallas Morning News* requesting copies of correspondence related to Texas disposal wells. However, *the response is on hold* while being reviewed by ORC.

FOIA R6-2016-003483 Response to Clean Water Action on Oklahoma UIC Program Delegation

A response has been prepared to a FOIA from Clean Water Action requesting records related to UIC program delegation for the Oklahoma Corporation Commission, EPA's annual UIC evaluation reports, etc., including OCC's original 1981 application for delegation. Although ORC agrees no exemptions are applicable to this material, *release of the response is on hold* awaiting a courtesy check with HQ by ORC as to whether they wish to review the materials before release.

FOIA R6-2016-003375 Response for NPR Reporter (Joe Wertz, OKC Affiliate) on Oklahoma Earthquakes

A voluminous response is being finalized. This reporter has done several segments on Oklahoma earthquakes over the last few years. Due date 2-24-17.

FOIA R7-2016-008159 response for Oklahoma City Law on Information Related to Oklahoma and Kansas Earthquakes

A voluminous response is being finalized. The requesting firm has been associated with some of the litigation against oil and gas operators over seismicity. Due date 2-24-17.

FOIA EPA R6-2017-002546 response to NRDC on State Reports

EPA Region 6 intends to respond to the FOIA request from NRDC regrading two state (OK and TX) drinking water program end of year (EOY) reports and annual compliance (ACR) reports, and correspondence regarding these reports per the FOIA. The FOIA for OK, requested and was

provided the EOY reports, ACR reports and correspondence relating to these reports from 2010 to present. The FOIA for TX, requested and was provided, similar reports but for the period from 2010 to 2014. Goal date to send letter: Feb. 17, 2017.

~~**Saliva sampling event at the Regional Tribal Operations Committee Summit in Dallas, Texas**, from April 4-7, 2017~~

~~Dates: April 4-7, 2017~~

~~Staff: EPA Office of Research and Development and EPA Region 6~~

~~Under the EPA Region 6 Regional Applied Research Effort (RARE) program, EPA Region 6 has partnered with the Office of Research and Development to understand waterborne exposures to tribal populations. The aim of the project is to provide an understanding of what waterborne pathogens are native to a population and which are emerging. At the Regional Tribal Operations Committee Summit's vendor booth area, potential volunteers will be recruited to participate in this sampling event. Participation in the sampling event is voluntary and the volunteer can elect to stop at any time. Volunteers selected must be 18 years of age, provide consent, answer a brief health questionnaire and then provide a saliva sample by rubbing one's gums with a cylindrical sponge attached to a handle for approximately 1 minute. For this sampling event, the project team has received Institutional Review Board approval from the Office of Human Research Ethics from The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, EPA Human Subjects Approval and an approved study protocol from the Office of Research and Development. This sampling event will take place from April 4 to April 7.~~