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SUBJECT: Review of Cabot Information

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On January 6, 2012, EPA issued a request for information pursuant to §104(e) of CERCLA to Cabot, asking for certain information regarding drilling activities in the Dimock, Pennsylvania area, and sample results from that area.

By letters dated January 9, 2012 and January 10, 2012, Cabot supplied EPA with information and documents, in CD format that it stated were partially responsive to EPA's request. Received information includes:

1. Received January 10, 2012 - A partial response to Request No. 1 – Specifically the following subparagraphs a-e that included results for the sampling events that took place on May 11, 2011, August 4, 2011, and September 2, 2011, including analytical data from the lab. In addition, URS Report Information (December 2011).
2. Received January 10, 2012 - A response to Request No. 2 – Sample results from Test America, conducted by Plaintiff's experts, Brickhouse Environmental and results of samples analyzed by Duke University.
3. Received January 11, 2012 – A partial response to Request No 2 - Cabot's copies of PADEP testing results spanning three years.
4. Received January 12, 2012 (without letter) – A replacement CD for the January 9th submission due to some corrupted files being encountered by EPA.

Since receipt of this information, as the Lead OSC, I have delegated responsibility to other EPA OSCs and contractors to promptly review the information, and compile and analyze it. Further, I have requested these OSCs to coordinate their review with ATSDR and the Region III Water Division, and to share with them information relevant to the review of home well water quality in Dimock. Such coordination has continued on a daily basis.

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