Message

From: Gross, Bonnie [/O=EXCHANGELABS/OU=EXCHANGE ADMINISTRATIVE GROUP (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/CN=RECIPIENTS/CN=A8199FC139994AA39E37E800F73CB9FE-BGROSS02]
Sent: 10/24/2017 9:20:36 PM
To: Lindsey, Deborah [/o=ExchangeLabs/ou=Exchange Administrative Group (FYDIBOHF23SPDLT)/cn=Recipients/cn=ce46a259227a40bf8f8dae58f8284cd1-Lindsey, Deborah]
Subject: Re: Parkersburg fire

Thanks Deb

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On Oct 24, 2017, at 5:17 PM, Lindsey, Deborah <Lindsey.Deborah@epa.gov> wrote:

We have not been requested to do any water sampling

Debbie Lindsey
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From: Gross, Bonnie
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 5:16 PM
To: Lindsey, Deborah <Lindsey.Deborah@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Parkersburg fire

See below. Have we been asked to provide any water support?

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Begin forwarded message:

From: "D'Andrea, Michael" <DANDREA.MICHAEL@EPA.GOV>
Date: October 24, 2017 at 5:07:18 PM EDT
To: "Servidio, Cosmo" <Servidio.Cosmo@epa.gov>
Cc: "Rodrigues, Cecil" <rodrigues.cecil@epa.gov>, "Melvin, Karen" <Melvin.Karen@epa.gov>, "Gross, Bonnie" <Gross.bonnie@epa.gov>, "Burns, Francis" <Burns.Fran@epa.gov>, "Gross, Bonnie" <Gross.bonnie@epa.gov>, "Searfoss, Renee" <searfoss.renee@epa.gov>, "Purnell, Rhonda" <Purnell.rhonda@epa.gov>, "Ferrell, Mark" <Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov>, "Lewis, Jacqueline" <Lewis.Ja
Subject: FW: Parkersburg fire

Cosmo,

Mark Ferrell, our WV Liaison, has been deployed as a Liaison to the Parkersburg fire response where he is working in the joint information center.

See below for a message about a conversation that Sen. Manchin had with Admin. Pruitt. It appears that Sen. Manchin's request for some additional support will be handled through the proper channels through the state and then to us if they need our help.

Just want you and HSCD to be aware of this most recent communication.

Mike

From: Ferrell, Mark
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 4:32 PM
To: Purnell, Rhonda <Purnell.rhonda@epa.gov>; Searfoss, Renee <searfoss.renee@epa.gov>; D'Andrea, Michael <DANDREA.MICHAEL@EPA.GOV>; Miller, Linda <miller.linda@epa.gov>
Subject: Fwd: Parkersburg fire

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Begin forwarded message:

> **From:** "Venuto, Sarah (Manchin)" <Sarah_Venuto@manchin.senate.gov>
> **Date:** October 24, 2017 at 4:26:51 PM EDT
> **To:** "Ferrell, Mark" <Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov>
> **Subject: RE: Parkersburg fire**
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> Mark –
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> Just to follow up – my boss did speak with the Administrator and thanked him for the work on air quality monitoring and stressed the importance of that ongoing work. He also flagged the concerns we are hearing regarding water contamination and asked for assistance on that front. I believe the Administrator may be reaching out to Jimmy Gianato who is our emergency response lead in state.
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> Thank you
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> Sarah
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> **From:** Ferrell, Mark [mailto:Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov]
> **Sent:** Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:52 AM
> **To:** Venuto, Sarah (Manchin) <Sarah_Venuto@manchin.senate.gov>
> **Subject:** Re: Parkersburg fire
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> Sarah I am on my way to Parkersburg and can better answer those questions once I'm there on scene.

~Mark

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From: Venuto, Sarah (Manchin) <Sarah_Venuto@manchin.senate.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 11:35 AM
To: Ferrell, Mark
Subject: RE: Parkersburg fire

Thank you Mark. Very helpful. My boss is very concerned and may reach out to Administrator Pruitt at some point today – no complaints – just making sure he is aware and that JM would like everyone here in DC to be helpful. Our scheduler is coordinating that with Troy Lyons.

I can be reached at 202.228.5658.

I'm hearing that the WV National Guard is providing foam to help fight the fire. Are there concerns re water contamination? The Little Kanawha River is about 300 yards away. And we have had problems in WV with PFOA in foam contaminating groundwater before (e.g . problem in Martinsburg is ongoing)

Thank you!

From: Ferrell, Mark [mailto:Ferrell.Mark@epa.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 10:08 AM
To: Venuto, Sarah (Manchin) <Sarah_Venuto@manchin.senate.gov>
Subject: Re: Parkersburg fire

Hi Sarah

Just sharing with you some clips I gathered this morning, most of which you've prob already seen.

~Mark

Gov. Justice declares state of emergency in response to fire

http://wvpublic.org/post/justice-declares-state-emergency-response-wood-county-industrial-fire

Wood County moves forward after emergency declaration
http://wvpublic.org/post/wood-county-moves-forward-fire-response-after-emergency-declaration#stream/0

Burning warehouse had history of environmental problems
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZNmJXp1Hx8k

Air quality questions persist
http://www.newsandsentinel.com/news/local-news/2017/10/air-quality-questions-persist-as-fire-burns-at-former-ames-plant/

State of emergency, downtown closures, schools closed
http://www.newsandsentinel.com/news/2017/10/downtown-closures-due-to-ames-fire-air-quality-concerns/

Fire may burn for several more days
https://www.wvgazettemail.com/news/cops_and_courts/update-fire-at-old-ames-plant-in-parkersburg-may-burn/article_eda794d2-6355-5bd1-a20a-f3f8f53f1796.html

Closing blamed on fouled air
http://www.mariettatimes.com/news/2017/10/closings-blamed-on-fouled-air/

Shelter in place advised, but people still out and about
http://wvmetronews.com/2017/10/23/a-shelter-in-place-in-parkersburg-but-people-are-still-out-and-about/

Health officials promoting masks
http://www.thenewscenter.tv/content/news/Masks-promoted-to-use-as-precautions--452594273.html

Smoke continues, hospital visits up
http://www.thenewscenter.tv/content/news/As-smoke-from-Ames-Plant-sticks-around-hospitals-start-to-see-more-patients-452557993.html

Fire Marshall says likely unintentional
http://wvmetronews.com/2017/10/23/fire-marshal-deadly-fires-in-parkersburg-logan-accidental/

Progress, and caution, expressed over enormous fire
http://wvmetronews.com/2017/10/23/progress-and-caution-expressed-over-enormous-parkersburg-fire/

Local historian explains some of Ames Plant history
http://www.thenewscenter.tv/content/news/Local-Parkersburg-historian-explains-some-of-Ames-history-452351173.html

Raw video from Ames plant fire
http://www.thenewscenter.tv/video?vid=452131653

YouTube drone footage
https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZNmJXp1Hx8k

From: Venuto, Sarah (Manchin) <Sarah_Venuto@manchin.senate.gov>
Sent: Tuesday, October 24, 2017 8:59 AM
To: Ferrell, Mark; Gunasekara, Mandy
Cc: Kungel, Wes (Manchin)
Subject: Parkersburg fire

Mark & Mandy –

I apologize if you are not the correct points of contact regarding this but I wanted to get our office in touch with yours regarding the burning fire in Parkersburg, WV at the Ames plant – particularly in light of the respiratory advisory. We are also in touch with the CDC and Coast Guard. Since Governor Justice declared a state of emergency, we are also coordinating with our state folks as well at WVDEP.

Senator Manchin wants to be sure Parkersburg is getting everything it needs in terms of resources. I believe that you all have sent air monitoring equipment to the state but wanted to see if there is anything else that we can be doing.

I can be reached at 202.228.5658.

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