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Subject: Hydrogen Fluoride Release at FujiFilm Electronic Materials

Dear Steve:

This email is in response to your communication on 14 July 2016 to Alexis Strauss, Acting Regional Administrator for EPA's Pacific Southwest Region, regarding implementation of the Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act, emergency response and an alleged release of a large quantity of hydrogen fluoride from a FujiFilm Electronic Materials Fuels facility in Mesa, AZ. EPA shares the concerns of Don't Waste Arizona regarding robust implementation of EPCRA by state and local agencies and we will continue to work with those agencies on that implementation.

After investigations by a number of agencies, including EPA's Criminal Investigation Division, the agencies concluded that the report of the release was not accurate and that no release had occurred. I apologize that we did not get back to you sooner regarding this finding.

During our conversation of 19 July, you referred another facility, Hickman's Egg Ranch, in Tonopah where you believe ongoing releases of ammonia from manure piles are occurring. On June 1, 2016, EPA sent a request for information pursuant to Section 114 of the Clean Air Act, 42 U.S.C. § 7414, to Hickman's Egg Ranch, Inc. regarding its facilities in Arlington, Arizona, and Tonopah, Arizona.

If you have further questions, do not hesitate to call. Specific questions about EPCRA implementation can be directed to Kathryn Lawrence at 415.972.3039 or Bill Jones at 619.235.4776.

Regards, Dan Meer

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