To: Thaxton, Steven[Steven.Thaxton@fema.dhs.gov]
From: Cristiano, Gina
Sent: Tue 7/22/2014 6:18:18 PM
Subject: RE: Region VIII FYSA – ND – Industrial Fire, Williston ND

The NRC says they get over 40,000 spill reports per year…and the states can get more because they may have more stringent reporting requirements and/or they get reports of other types of incidents. It's a mess out there, I tell you ☺ What outlets or reports do you all watch for these? I'm just curious how it might compare to the NRC.

From: Thaxton, Steven [mailto:Steven.Thaxton@fema.dhs.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 12:12 PM
To: Cristiano, Gina
Subject: RE: Region VIII FYSA – ND – Industrial Fire, Williston ND

I tried that once, but somehow the emails still found me ☹ Thanks for the update. Just saw a truck chemical spill in MT too. I guess you don't realize how stuff is out there. Sheesh.

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Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 12:10 PM
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Subject: RE: Region VIII FYSA – ND – Industrial Fire, Williston ND

Does that mean I should send you to junk mail?? ☺ haha Kidding! Another fyi- got word the OSC won't be there til later this afternoon. We coord by phone to the extent we can until we get on the ground but not likely to have much more info for a while.

From: Thaxton, Steven [mailto:Steven.Thaxton@fema.dhs.gov]
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Thanks Gina. Figured as much, but you know how I like to spam folks ☺

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Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 11:56 AM
To: Thaxton, Steven
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Subject: RE: Region VIII FYSA – ND – Industrial Fire, Williston ND

Hi Steve,

Thanks for reaching out. I don't know if we've ever discussed this but, just for your general info - we receive spill notifications from the National Response Center for any discharge/release greater than the Reportable Quantity as defined by various environmental statutes (as well as citizen complaints, anonymous reports, most state reports, etc). That said, we received notification of this incident. We have been talking/coordinating with state and local agencies, CST and the responsible party. We have dispatched an OSC to the scene; he is accompanied by our technical assistance contractors. I don't know his departure time or when he will arrive…it's possible he's there already. The RP has also has an environmental contractor that is on site working to keep contaminated water and sediments contained at the property.

At this time, I'm not aware of any need for assistance from other federal agencies but if that changes we will activate the Regional Response Team (RRT). OSC Peronard will be coordinating with affected jurisdictions at the scene so state, locals and others will be involved with whatever unified command is in place/appropriate.

Thanks, Gina

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Sent: Tuesday, July 22, 2014 10:40 AM
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A massive fire at an oil company warehouse has shut down Highway 1804 in Williston early Tuesday morning. Due to the intense flames, personnel are allowing the blaze to burn while making sure it does not spread. Williston officials are allowing the fire to burn because fighting it with water could cause runoff into spill canals that flow into the Little Muddy River.

A regional hazardous response team and North Dakota National Guard officials are monitoring air quality around the site of a massive fire still burning at an industrial area in Williston.

A Williams County Emergency Management official said the fire at Red River Supply broke out about midnight local time. Explosions could be seen and heard at the scene. Police attributed them to barrels but didn't immediately say what was in them. Red River Supply serves as a loading facility for BNSF, and handles dry goods, crude oil and dry pipe and casing.

The site is just east of Williston's downtown. No one is being allowed within a half-mile of the site. Businesses within that zone are closed until further notice. State Highway 1804 in the area remains closed and traffic is being rerouted to highways 2 and 85.

Crews are still trying to determine the cause of the blaze. There are no reports of injuries.

Source of Information:

NOC Media

http://www.wday.com/content/update-500-foot-flames-reported-fire-williston-oilfield-supply-company

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