Message

**From**: schafer, joan [schafer.joan@epa.gov]
**Sent**: 6/7/2018 9:01:39 PM
**To**: Pratt, Stacie [Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov]; Rice, Scott [Rice.Scott@epa.gov]; frankel, michael [frankel.michael@epa.gov]; Armstead, John A. [Armstead.John@epa.gov]; daw, harry [daw.harry@epa.gov]
**CC**: Jamieson, Cheryl [Jamieson.Cheryl@epa.gov]; Libertz, Catherine [Libertz.Catherine@epa.gov]
**Subject**: RE: Press Inquiry

Thanks for this info, Stacie.

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**From:** Pratt, Stacie
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 4:41 PM
**To:** Rice, Scott <Rice.Scott@epa.gov>; schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>; frankel, michael <frankel.michael@epa.gov>; Armstead, John A. <Armstead.John@epa.gov>; daw, harry <daw.harry@epa.gov>
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**Subject:** RE: Press Inquiry

Joan – We received the levels from PADEP, as I recall.

Thanks.

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**From:** Rice, Scott
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 4:40 PM
**To:** schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>; frankel, michael <frankel.michael@epa.gov>; Armstead, John A. <Armstead.John@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>; daw, harry <daw.harry@epa.gov>
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Here you are Joan. The reporter has a copy of the NON, which identifies the PCB concentration in soils that Coplay Aggregates is using as construction fill dirt at their site in Whitehall, PA. Let me know if you need additional information. regards

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**From:** schafer, joan
**Sent:** Thursday, June 7, 2018 4:32:41 PM
**To:** Rice, Scott; frankel, michael; Armstead, John A.; Pratt, Stacie; daw, harry
**Cc:** Jamieson, Cheryl; Libertz, Catherine
**Subject:** RE: Press Inquiry

Scott – can you share the NON -- -- and where are you/she getting the levels of the PCBs?
Please advise...thanks.
joan

**From:** Rice, Scott
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 4:06 PM
**To:** frankel, michael <frankel.michael@epa.gov>; Armstead, John A. <Armstead.John@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>; daw, harry <daw.harry@epa.gov>
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Ok, so these answers were for everyone's review and comment. If they are OK, I believe I have included everyone in the e-mail thread, with the exception of Terri. I'm not sure who that is so can someone else please forward. If there is any editing or additional information is needed, let me know and I will fix it up and resend. Best regards

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**From:** frankel, michael
**Sent:** Thursday, June 7, 2018 3:31:31 PM
**To:** Armstead, John A.; Rice, Scott; Pratt, Stacie; daw, harry
**Cc:** Jamieson, Cheryl
**Subject:** Re: Press Inquiry

Joan is on the original inquiry -- Folks lets loop her into the reply BEFORE it goes to HQ

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**From:** Armstead, John A.
**Sent:** Thursday, June 7, 2018 3:28 PM
**To:** Rice, Scott; Pratt, Stacie; daw, harry

**Cc:** frankel, michael; Jamieson, Cheryl
**Subject:** RE: Press Inquiry

Hey folks, please loop Joan, Terri, and or Cathy in.

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**From:** Rice, Scott
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 3:25 PM
**To:** Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>; daw, harry <daw.harry@epa.gov>; Armstead, John A. <Armstead.John@epa.gov>
**Cc:** frankel, michael <frankel.michael@epa.gov>; Jamieson, Cheryl <Jamieson.Cheryl@epa.gov>
**Subject:** Re: Press Inquiry

Answers:

**Deliberative Process / Ex. 5**

Let me know if you need additional information or have questions.

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**From:** Pratt, Stacie
**Sent:** Thursday, June 7, 2018 2:54:26 PM
**To:** daw, harry; Armstead, John A.
**Cc:** frankel, michael; Rice, Scott; Jamieson, Cheryl
**Subject:** FW: Press Inquiry

FYI –

Scott – Need your help.

**From:** Wzorek, Katherine
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 2:52 PM
**To:** frankel, michael <frankel.michael@epa.gov>; Pratt, Stacie <Pratt.Stacie@epa.gov>
**Subject:** FW: Press Inquiry

Mike and Stacie?

Looks like this is an LCD question—the reporters deadline is tomorrow.

Here are her questions, I'll copy below the entire email: Questions are about: Coplay Aggregates and they're located at 5101 Beekmantown Road in Whitehall, PA. The docket number on the violation was listed as 03-18-0028.

1. Did Coplay Aggregates receive violations and what, if anything, the property owners have done to remediate the problem?
2. Does the PCB recorded level of 6.75ppm pose any risk for those residents living near the site?

My name is Sarah Wojcik and I'm a reporter for the Morning Call in Allentown, Pa. I am working on a story about an EPA violation at a quarry reclamation project in Whitehall, PA. The property is called Coplay Aggregates and they're located at 5101 Beekmantown Road in Whitehall, PA. The docket number on the violation was listed as 03-18-0028.

I was hoping to confirm whether Coplay Aggregates received the violation and what, if anything, the property owners have done to remediate the problem.

Neighbors to the site have complained for years about airborne debris blanketing their property. I was also hoping to learn more about PCBs and whether this level recorded (6.75ppm) poses any risk for those residents living near the site.

I am working on a deadline for tomorrow's paper, so if you could get back to me this afternoon, I'd be most appreciative. I can be reached at 610-778-2283 or on my personal cell at 724-513-2611.

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**From:** Sternberg, David
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 2:47 PM
**To:** Scott, Gail <Scott.Gail@epa.gov>; daw, harry <daw.harry@epa.gov>; Chelius, Kyle <Chelius.Kyle@epa.gov>
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Upon further review, this is a TSCA case. Looping in Harry Daw and Kyle Chelius.

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**To:** Scott, Gail <Scott.Gail@epa.gov>

**Cc:** Maldonado, Zelma <Maldonado.Zelma@epa.gov>; Seneca, Roy <Seneca.Roy@epa.gov>; Mastro, Donna <mastro.donna@epa.gov>; frankel, michael <frankel.michael@epa.gov>; Wzorek, Katherine <wzorek.katherine@epa.gov>; Brown, Kinshasa <Brown.Kinshasa@epa.gov>; Connor, Garth <CONNOR.GARTH@EPA.GOV>; schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>
**Subject:** FW: Press Inquiry
**Importance:** High

Hi Gail,

This looks like an air question, although it's somewhat unclear. Can you let me know if APD took an enforcement action at this facility.

Thanks,

David

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**From:** schafer, joan
**Sent:** Thursday, June 07, 2018 1:21 PM
**To:** Seneca, Roy <Seneca.Roy@epa.gov>; Sternberg, David <Sternberg.David@epa.gov>; Wzorek, Katherine <wzorek.katherine@epa.gov>
**Subject:** FW: Press Inquiry
**Importance:** High

Can one of you follow up on this and work on this? Sounds familiar – David, did we hear about this before about the air issues?
Please advise –thanks.

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**From:** Wojcik, Sarah [mailto:swojcik@mcall.com]
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**To:** schafer, joan <schafer.joan@epa.gov>
**Subject:** Press Inquiry
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