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To: Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]
Subject: FW: Daily Ops for Friday December 16, 2016 - Update to Corpus Christi Drinking Water Incident

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From: Rhotenberry, William
Sent: Friday, December 16, 2016 9:04 AM
To: R6 Daily Ops <R6_Daily_Ops@epa.gov>
Subject: Daily Ops for Friday December 16, 2016 - Update to Corpus Christi Drinking Water Incident

Update for Corpus Christi:

EPA continues to support the State of Texas and the City of Corpus Christi. EPA has sent personnel to TCEQ's office in Austin, TX and the TCEQ regional office located in Corpus Christi. EPA R6 has activated its Regional Emergency Operation Center. Various EPA programs are supporting the response providing support in drinking water technical expertise, laboratory support, risk assessment and public affairs.

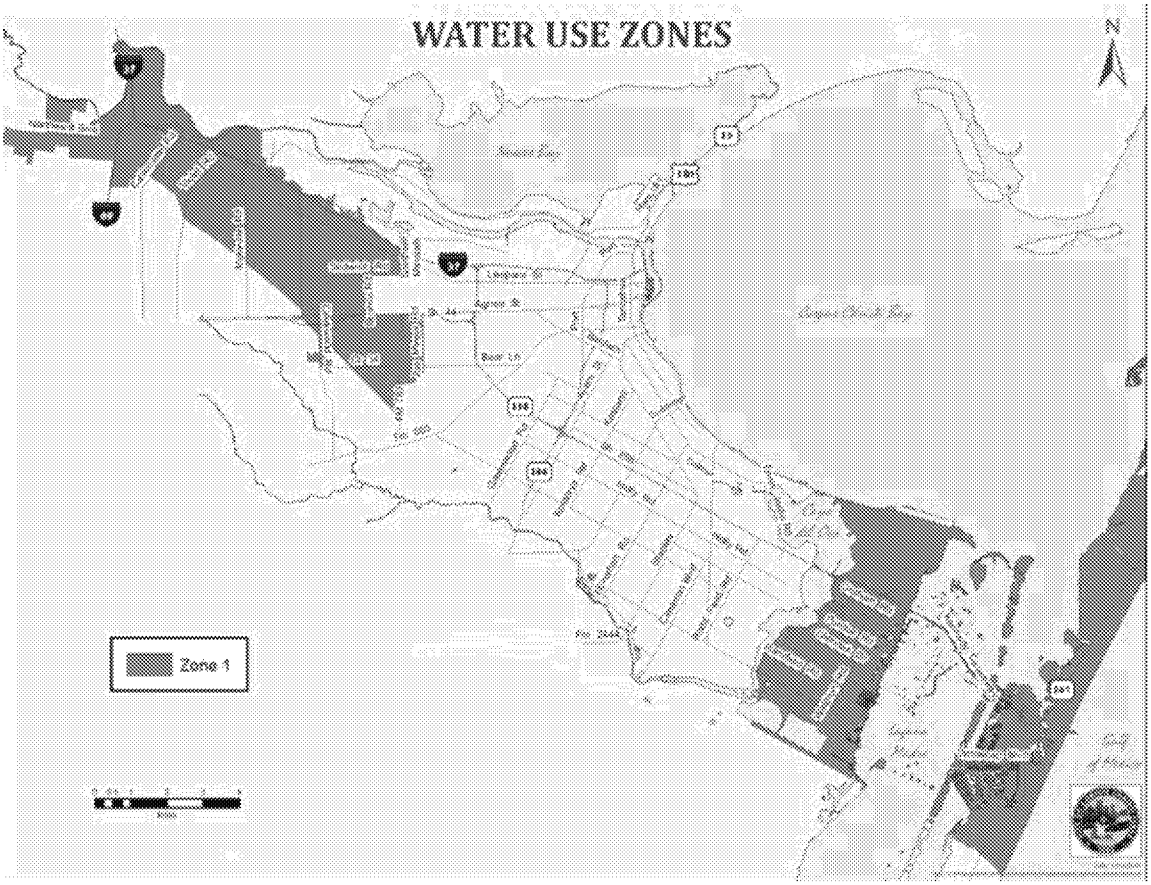
For purposes of addressing the incident the drinking water system has been divided into 3 zones. Those zones were identified to allow for a phased approach to be implemented. The zones and corresponding restrictions will be communicated to users.

The City of Corpus Christi released zone 1, consisting of outlying areas, from drinking water restrictions late on December 15 and publicly released a map of the area.

EPA's Houston lab has received a "source" sample and has initiated its work to develop a method to detect the substance in drinking water.

The state of Texas is providing the City support with providing bottle water to impacted residents.

Media and public official interest continues to be high.



R6 Daily Ops Status Report

Current Status (7:08 AM CST on 12/16/2016) Personnel

Outposted OSC's

Houston, TX/Zehner Available

R1: Todd Guidry

Tel Duty:

Available OSC's:

Adams Brescia Fife Hayes McAteer Smalley
Delgado
Mason

Bernier Delgado Foster
Martin Moore Todd
Bhandari
Rinehart

Unavailable OSC's:

Baxter Smith
Rhotenberry

Reported Activities (12/15/2016 6:00:00 AM CST - 12/16/2016 7:07:00 AM CST) Spill

Notifications

State	Oil	Haz	Rad	Other	
AR	0	0	0	1	
LA	0	0	0	0	
NM	0	0	0	0	
OK	0	0	0	0	
TX	1	2	0	1	
Total	1	2	0	2	= 5

Significant Events

Date: 2016/12/15 **Time:** 17:44 **Type:** Spill Report (NRC#: 1166424)

Location: CORPUS CHRISTI, TX (NUECES County)

Description: A "Do Not Drink Tap Water" statement was issued by the City of Corpus Christi late on December 14th after complaints by residents of a sheen on their drinking water. The City and TCEQ investigated and traced the contamination back to Ergon Asphalt & Emulsion Inc. Apparently the lack of a backflow preventer enabled the infiltration of between 3-24 gallons of "Indulin AA-86" an asphalt emulsion additive to enter an 8" drinking water line at the Industrial Park where Ergon is located. It was determined that the 8" line then tees into a 22" trunk line which services approximately 300,000 Corpus Christi residents. As a precautionary measure the DND was issued until further information is gathered to determine that the water is safe to drink. OSC Delgado was deployed to Corpus Christi, TX to coordinate with TCEQ and the City of Corpus Christi.

Field Operations

No Ops Log entries for this reporting period

Exercises

No exercises for this reporting period

December 16, 2016

Friday

All Day McKay, Tom McKay, Tom SPCC inspections recons & outreach in Oklahoma, Osage, Kay, and Logan Cos., OK
All Day Smith, DonaldP AL
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Crossland, Ronnie CDP Training -- Washington DC
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Martin, John Travel -- Minden, LA
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Perry, Chris LV - Use or Lose hours
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Baxter, Madison Leave -- Dallas, TX
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Brescia, Nicolas Telework -- Home
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM McAteer, Mike Southern Mineralite Site -- New Orleans, LA
12:00 AM - 12:00 AM Ward, Misty Annual Leave
All Day Bernier, Roberto CWS
All Day Enders, Jhana LV -- Dallas
All Day Hayes, Mark CWD
All Day Moore, Gary Reg Flexiplace -- Fairview, TX
All Day Rhotenberry - A/L
All Day Rogers, Elizabeth -- Flexiplace
All Day Smalley, Bryant CWS Day Off
All Day Smith, Monica CWS