Message

**From**: Assunto, Carmen [Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov]
**Sent**: 3/21/2019 5:45:13 PM
**To**: Gray, David [gray.david@epa.gov]
**Subject**: RE: [EXTERNAL] Your inquiry

Thank you.

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**From:** Gray, David
**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 12:41 PM
**To:** Assunto, Carmen <Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov>
**Subject:** RE: [EXTERNAL] Your inquiry

Sounds good.

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**From:** Assunto, Carmen
**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 12:39 PM
**To:** Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>
**Cc:** Bokun, Lisa <Bokun.Lisa@epa.gov>
**Subject:** FW: [EXTERNAL] Your inquiry

Draft response:
Now that shelter in place lifted, would you please advise where the EPA bus is that was mentioned in press conference.
We would like to take some video.

The TAGA is approximately in the San Jacinto Elementary School, Deer Park area.

Also, is there anyone from EPA in Deer Park we could interview?
We can provide a phone interview at 1pm.

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**From:** Calvin, Amy (NBCUniversal) <Amy.Calvin@nbcuni.com>
**Sent:** Thursday, March 21, 2019 12:03 PM
**To:** Assunto, Carmen <Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov>
**Subject:** Re: [EXTERNAL] Your inquiry

Good morning,
Now that shelter in place lifted, would you please advise where the EPA bus is that was mentioned in press conference.
We would like to take some video.
Also, is there anyone from EPA in Deer Park we could interview?

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 20, 2019, at 5:24 PM, Assunto, Carmen <Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov> wrote:

> I do not yet have a new desk statement. I hope for one early tomorrow. Carmen
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> Sincerely,
>
> Carmen Assunto

State and Local Liaison
U.S. EPA Region 6
Houston Laboratory
281-983-2196

On Mar 20, 2019, at 5:22 PM, Calvin, Amy (NBCUniversal) <Amy.Calvin@nbcuni.com> wrote:

Hi Carmen,

Checking to see if there is an update from the EPA today now that fire is out.
Thank you

Amy Calvin
NBC News
786-810-9121
Amy.Calvin@nbcuni.con

On Mar 19, 2019, at 9:01 PM, Assunto, Carmen <Assunto.Carmen@epa.gov> wrote:

Hi, Amy. Thank you for writing. Here is our current desk statement which should help with your question.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and Texas Commission on Environmental Quality (TCEQ) are working with Unified Command in response to a fire at the Intercontinental Terminals Corporation (ITC) Deer Park facility near Houston, TX. The Unified Command consists of EPA, TCEQ, U.S. Coast Guard (USCG), Harris County Pollution Control Services (HCPCS) and ITC. Emergency responders continue to use foam to control and prevent spreading of the fire. EPA has conducted, and continues to conduct, air monitoring with the Airborne Spectral Photometric Environmental Collection Technology aircraft (ASPECT) and has not measured any significant detections in the vicinity and downwind of the incident.

U.S. EPA Region 6
Dallas, Texas
214-665-2200

> On Mar 19, 2019, at 5:17 PM, Calvin, Amy (NBCUniversal)
<Amy.Calvin@nbcuni.com> wrote:
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> Thank you. Is it similiar email?
> Last name , first name
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>> On Mar 19, 2019, at 5:14 PM, Gray, David <gray.david@epa.gov>
wrote:
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>> Connecting our PIO Carmen Assunto
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>> Sent from my iPhone
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>>> On Mar 19, 2019, at 4:48 PM, Calvin, Amy (NBCUniversal) <Amy.Calvin@nbcuni.com> wrote:
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>>> Good afternoon David,
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>>> Do you have a update on EPA testing in Deer Park and surrounding areas in relation to the fire at ITC?
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>>> Amy Calvin
>>> NBC News
>>> 786-820-9121
>>> Amy.Calvin@nbcuni.com