Message

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Sent: 6/20/2019 11:12:00 AM
To: Fife, Greg [fife.greg@epa.gov]
Subject: Latest Media

https://www.wwltv.com/article/news/lawsuit-claims-city-knew-about-radioactive-material-in-gert-town-for-years/289-6b05469f-13a8-478d-83e7-8d5423db913c

https://www.fox8live.com/2019/06/19/gert-town-residents-sue-city-over-hazardous-radioactive-material/

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From: Fife, Greg
Sent: Wednesday, 19 June, 2019 6:45 PM
To: Brozowski, George <brozowski.george@epa.gov>
Cc: Petersen, Chris <petersen.chris@epa.gov>
Subject: Re: ROC with Susette Bagneris Re: 3400 Lowerline Removal Action

We just got back from Bryce Canyon and into Cell range again.

The public meeting was not a public meeting. It was organized for the purpose of a class action lawsuit.

Although the claim is that EPA was invited, there was some indirect communication via the City on the morning of the meeting.

The boxes were left there on the street. The exposure was less than what it was when it was in situ in the road. I asked the City and State for an area to temporarily store them but they could not find locations.

I signed a profile for the waste this morning to go to WCS in Andrews. We just got the results back that enabled up do to that.

Transportation is still pending on acceptance and scheduling.

We will be eating in tonight, so if you want to talk, give me a call.

Sent from my iPhone

On Jun 19, 2019, at 1:34 PM, Brozowski, George <brozowski.george@epa.gov> wrote:

> Good afternoon gents. There was lots of media coverage of the site while we were scanning. The last article was a group of attorneys representing citizens looking to sue the city.
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> I think I hear about the public meeting happening on Monday June 17, but no one approached us about attending.
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> See the following articles:
> EPA back in Gert Town, scanning for radiation, WWL, 6/11/19
> https://www.wwltv.com/video/news/epa-back-in-gert-town-scanning-for-radiation/289-36abfbd9-2bca-47a2-8871-cdccb267c2de
>
> https://www.theadvocate.com/new_orleans/news/article_72d32c46-8d6a-11e9-b884-4f877f98ddbd.html?1560391413208&utm_content=bufferee487&utm_medium=social&utm_source=facebookneworleans&utm_campaign=buffer
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> Louisiana Weekly – 6/17/19
> http://www.louisianaweekly.com/reaction-to-discovery-of-contaminated-soil-in-gert-town/
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> Let me know if you need additional information. Thanks, and take care!
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> Greg – Please give me a call if you have a chance regarding this email. Thanks

From: Atkins, Blake
Sent: Wednesday, June 19, 2019 12:08 PM
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Cc: Carroll, Craig <Carroll.Craig@epa.gov>
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Chris, Ms. Bagneris contacted me regarding concerns with the subject location. She stated that radium 226 had been placed in containers at the site, but had not been removed. She also stated that a community meeting was conducted for this site, this past Monday, but no one from EPA or LDEQ was in attendance, although she says the newspaper suggested EPA and LDEQ staff attended this meeting.

Ms. Bagneris identified herself as an attorney, representing New Orleans citizens in this area. I explained that I was not the correct contact for her to follow up on her concerns and said I would try to find the appropriate person to follow up with her. Presuming you are the appropriate contact for this site, please contact Ms. Bagneris at 504-810-3995.

Thanks.

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