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Subject: RE: FOX 8 NEW ORLEANS MEDIA REQUEST DEADLINE SENSITIVE

Importance: High

I just spoke to Sarah at the city's public information office. She said they will release a statement soon on the work at the site and their efforts to keep the community informed. She will share their final draft with me and I'll share it with this group. Depending on the content we can either move forward with our own statement, but limit it to removal work, or refer the reporter to the city's statement.

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The attached can be used as needed to include outreach efforts.

Please let me know if additional information is needed.

Thanks,

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Here's our statement form two weeks ago:

EPA, working with the city of New Orleans, removed radioactive material from beneath Lowerline Street in New Orleans, La. Excavation of the material finished on June 3. During the removal, radiation monitors, perimeter monitors, and dust samples did not detect elevated readings outside the immediate excavation area. Mobile air monitoring throughout the area, along with radiological surveys of the surrounding streets, has not detected radiation levels of concern. EPA will continue monitoring to assure the safety of area residents.

Cheers,

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On Jun 28, 2019, at 12:14 PM, Edlund, Carl <Edlund.Carl@epa.gov> wrote:

> Let's get the story straight here ....Craig will schedule a conference call around 1:30
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> **From:** Carroll, Craig
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> Joe,
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> Janetta Coats is the Community Involvement Coordinator for the site and can provide you the requested information.

Craig Carroll
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Gentlemen,

We received an inquiry from Fox affiliate in New Orleans, please see below:

As a matter of public safety, we are asking for comment from the EPA as to what exactly has been discovered and dug up under the road's surface at Lowerline and Coolidge in the Gert Town neighborhood of New Orleans. Residents have health concerns and say they have been left in the dark about what is happening feet from their homes. They also have concerns about what may still be in the containers and in the ground.

Anything we can share?

Cheers,

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As a matter of public safety, we are asking for comment from the EPA as to what exactly has been discovered and dug up under the road's surface at Lowerline and Coolidge in the Gert Town neighborhood of New Orleans. Residents have health concerns and say they have been left in the dark about what is happening feet from their homes. They also have concerns about what may still be in the containers and in the ground. We will be reporting on this story throughout the day including at noon, 4 and 5, 9 and 10.

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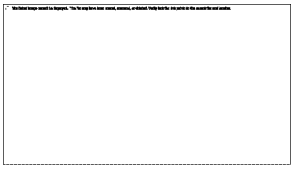

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