Message

From: Fife, Greg [fife.greg@epa.gov]
Sent: 8/31/2017 11:56:42 AM
To: R6 Daily Ops [R6_Daily_Ops@epa.gov]
Subject: Daily Ops, Explosion at the Arkema facility in Crosby, TX

R6 Daily Ops Status Report

Current Status (6:45 AM CDT on 8/31/2017)

Personnel

R1:	Bernier	**Outposted OSC's**	
Tel Duty:	Fife	Houston, TX/Zehner	Available

Available OSC's: Availability is not reflective of actual conditions

A Adams	Baxter	Bernier
Brescia	E Delgado	Enders
Fife	Guidry	Martin
Mason	McAteer	Moore
P Adams	P Delgado	Rhotenberry
Todd		

Unavailable OSC's:

Hayes	Smith

Reported Activities (8/30/2017 6:00:00 AM CDT - 8/31/2017 6:45:00 AM CDT)

Spill Notifications

State	Oil	Haz	Rad	Other	
AR	0	0	0	0	
LA	0	1	0	0	
NM	0	0	0	0	
OK	0	0	0	0	
TX	6	12	0	1	
Total	6	13	0	1	= 20 (+2 unclassified in the Hotline Log)

Significant Events

Arkema in Crosby, TX has exploded as expected. Two explosions were heard shortly after 2:00 AM from the evacuated facility. Hurricane Harvey damaged the cooling system for the organic peroxide tanks. Flooding prevented assistance and repairs to be made. The facility was evacuated, surrounding area was cleared by law enforcement in a 1.5 mile radius. In addition to the organic peroxide, chlorine was stored on-site. EPA's ASPECT plane will conduct a fly-over, with detection devices, as soon as safe. As of the last reports, no injuries.

Field Operations

No Ops Log entries for this reporting period

Exercises

No exercises for this reporting period