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Lincoln (NE) Journal-Star - Spill from troubled Mead ethanol plant traveled 4 miles in waterways, state says – 2/17/21 - The Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy on Wednesday said it's continuing to monitor the release of waste material from AltEn Ethanol near Mead after a pipe burst on a 4 million-gallon digester tank late last week. Emergency responders from the EPA's Region 7 office in Lenexa, Kansas, have also collected samples and offered assistance in cleanup. http://bit.ly/2N9nyoZ Also Cherokee Ledger-News (Woodstock, GA), Hastings (NE) Tribune, Beatrice (NE) Daily Sun, North Platte (NE) Telegraph, Scottsbluff (NE) Star-Herald, Norfolk (NE) Daily News, York (NE) News-Times, Fremont (NE) Tribune, Columbus (NE) Telegram, Kearney (NE) Hub, Grand Island (NE) Independent

Wahoo (NE) Newspaper - EPA provides support to NDEE after pipe burst at ethanol plant – 2/17/21 - After a frozen pipe burst in the wee hours of the morning on Feb. 12 at AltEn, the Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy requested aid from the Environmental Protection Agency Region 7 in Lenexa, Kan., according to a press release from the NDEE. http://bit.ly/3pBomjo

Omaha (NE) World Herald - Wastewater spill at Mead ethanol plant has traveled more than 4 miles downstream – 2/17/21 - Samples of the leaked material have been taken to determine if it contains pesticides, officials said. The EPA is also on site to assess the spill, collect additional samples and give advice on cleanup. http://bit.ly/2ZsB8pN

NDEE News Release - NDEE continues to assess, monitor discharge at ethanol facility – 2/17/21 - NDEE collected samples to determine if the material contains pesticides and requested support from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Region 7. The EPA was on site to assess the spill, collect additional samples, give advice on cleanup and help with mitigation efforts. Sampling results could take up to two weeks to return. http://bit.ly/3qwVeev

Fence Post - NDEE continues to assess, monitor discharge at ethanol facility – 2/17/21 - The Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy responded to a discharge at the AltEn ethanol facility near Mead on Friday, Feb. 12. http://bit.ly/3pswzWZ

KFXL Ch. 51 Lincoln NE - NDEE respond to spill at Mead AltEn ethanol facility – 2/17/21 - NDEE collected samples to determine if the material contains pesticides and requested support from the EPA Region 7. https://bit.ly/3auZ3ew

WOWT Ch. 6 Omaha - Nebraska environmental authority monitors Mead ethanol facility spill – 2/17/21 - The Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy is monitoring the discharge from an ethanol facility in Mead. http://bit.ly/37I8DZZ Also KOLN Ch. 10/11 Lincoln NE, WOWT Ch. 6 Omaha,

KETV Ch. 7 Omaha NE - State directs Mead ethanol plant to contain and clean up spill – 2/17/21 - The NDEE said that as of Tuesday, the spill stopped spreading and has not reached the Platte River. The Nebraska Department of Environment and Energy (NDEE) and University of Nebraska-Lincoln researchers continue to monitor the leak at the AltEn ethanol plant in Mead. http://bit.ly/3pwHDCD

Associated Press – Wastewater Spills at Troubled Ethanol Plant Blamed on Pipe Bursts – 2/18/21 - A frozen pipe has burst at a Nebraska ethanol plant that had been ordered to close a week ago, causing a wastewater spill, environmental officials say. The spill is the latest problem at the AltEn facility. http://bit.ly/3pv0nBM Also Des Moines Daily Record

KLKN Ch. 8 Lincoln/Kearney NE - NDEE monitoring 4.5 mile waste spill from Mead ethanol plant – 2/17/21 - The state says the plant has less than a day to construct plans to recover, transport and prevent any similar situations. http://bit.ly/3blwY8P

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