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Subject: RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: [EXTERNAL] RE: La Salle Chemical Fire - Illinois EPA Sampling/Results

We can formulate statements, but are we still working with preliminary data?

I also know IDPH (Aaron) has spoke with one resident.

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Chris and Aaron,
We were made aware that a resident has been publicly insinuating that a waste sample(s) from Carus were collected from a residential area. I assume the waste sample results have elevated concentrations above action levels. Would it be possible to publish the Illinois EPA results with a statement from IDPH and La Salle Health for the general public in an attempt to provide accurate information?

From our previous conversation I assumed IDPH and La Salle Health were only going to create statements for individual owners and not a general statement for the public.
Thanks,
Rob

From: Chris Pozzi <cpozzi@lasallecountyil.gov>
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Thanks. I know Aaron and I had talked about waiting for official results. Last we talked to Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) (last week) we advised him that the samples came in without address and we were awaiting those and the official results to match up. We advised him that he would be receiving letter from IDPH as well.

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Thanks Aaron. A bit of background: Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) states that he has had the Sierra Club look at the results and has asked the Sierra Club to sample his or his daughters air filter.

They are father and daughter and have both been e-mailing me expressing the same concerns:

Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP)

Attached is the report from the City of La Salle's contractor Brownfields. It shows results from Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) and I believe 15 other properties as well.

Thanks again,
Rob

From: Martin, Aaron <Aaron.Martin@Illinois.gov>
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Subject: RE: La Salle Chemical Fire - Illinois EPA Sampling/Results

Chris and I have discussed sending letters to the individual families whose properties were wipe sampled. I have the addresses now so we can help this family discern which results correspond to their yard, sidewalk, etc. Does anyone have an email or phone for the resident at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) That you can share? They likely are looking at the lab reports and seeing bolded results, which indicate a result above the lab reporting limit (not a health guideline).

Are the samples collected by Brownfields (?) on behalf of the City available?

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Subject: [External] La Salle Chemical Fire - Illinois EPA Sampling/Results

Hello,

Over the past few weeks I've received many e-mails from the same family of residents at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) and Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) Street asking for additional sampling and the sample results that Illinois EPA had collected. Is Illinois EPA able to collect additional samples to provide closure to this release? The resident at Ex. 6 Personal Privacy (PP) FOIA'd the Illinois EPA sample results and claims his property has elevated exceedances of 43 chemicals. However, he doesn't know what sample is his. To resolve this confusion is there an anticipated time-frame when they can expect the Illinois EPA sample results? Or let them know what sample is theirs? Based on the last multi-agency meeting it sounded like the Illinois EPA samples were not concerning so maybe the sample he is speaking to is a facility sample?

Lastly, would it be possible for IDPH and LaSalle County Health to come up with a public releasable statement to describe the health implications of the incident? I assume the statement would address short term exposure from the fire, air monitoring, La Salle samples, and Illinois EPA samples. At this point I have been referring them to IDPH (217-782-5830 or DPH.Tox@illinois.gov) to address health concerns but it would likely be easier to refer them to a statement, then call IDPH with additional concerns.

Thanks,
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