From:	Hosch, Claudia
To:	Zobrist, Marcus; Frace, Sheila
Cc:	Honker, William; Baskin, Kilty; Molina, Rudy; Shahriyar, Syed; Saunders, Jerry
Subject:	Fw: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants
Date:	Friday, April 19, 2013 11:14:42 AM
Attachments:	Fertilizer co in WEST TX - 3 Facilities .pdf

Marcus-

I talked to TCEQ and they stated that the facility does not have a permit or any NPDES connection (direct discharger or pretreatment).
We also looked in ICIS but the facilities don't show any permit info.

I'm copying our enforcement folks to see if they have additional info.

Claudia

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From: Shahriyar, Syed
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 10:59:39 AM
To: Shahriyar, Syed; Baskin, Kilty; Molina, Rudy; Hosch, Claudia
Subject: RE: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Hope this attachment will go

syed

-----Original Message-----
From: Shahriyar, Syed
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 10:33 AM
To: Baskin, Kilty; Molina, Rudy; Hosch, Claudia
Subject: RE: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Kilty / Claudia

1. Per your request following actions have been taken:

a. Searched ICIS and there are three facilities in WEST, TX for such activities (Fertilizer Plants)

b. Name of the Facility:
WEST CHEMICAL & FERTILIZER COMPANY
1471 JERRY MASHEK DRIVE
WEST
TX

c. Details are in the attachment --- None of them have NPDES Permits information

Regards

Syed A. Shahriyar
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Regional Coordinator, Water Quality Management Plan Regional Coordinator, Homeland Security for Wastewater Data Management, NPDES Permits & TMDL Branch U.S. Environmental Protection Agency,

Region 6

-----Original Message-----
From: Baskin, Kilty
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 10:22 AM
To: Molina, Rudy; Hosch, Claudia
Cc: Shahriyar, Syed
Subject: RE: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Ditto! Checking to see if they have a NPDES permit.

Kilty Baskin
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-----Original Message-----
From: Molina, Rudy
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 10:09 AM
To: Hosch, Claudia; Baskin, Kilty
Cc: Shahriyar, Syed
Subject: RE: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Hi Claudia,

The City of West does not have a Pretreatment Program. I have contact the TCEQ and they will be looking into any stormwater authorizations and if there is a discharge into the POTW. They will contact me as soon as they have any information.

Thank-you,

Rudy Molina
NPDES Permits Oversight Section (6WQ-PO) US EPA Region 6
Telephone: 214-665-6731

-----Original Message-----
From: Hosch, Claudia
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 9:06 AM
To: Baskin, Kilty; Molina, Rudy
Subject: Fw: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Folks, could you look into this and get back with me asaP? Thanks

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From: Zobrist, Marcus
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 10:02:09 AM
To: Frace, Sheila
Cc: Beasley, Chrystal; Hosch, Claudia
Subject: FW: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Shiela,

It is likely that this facility had a wastewater and / or a storm water discharge. However, I could not find an NPDES permit in ICIS for this facility. It is possible, given the location in town / small city that it discharges to the POTW.

I'm copying R6 and other on my staff to continue the search for relevant wastewater discharge info.

-----Original Message-----
From: Frace, Sheila
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 9:46 AM
To: Zobrist, Marcus
Subject: Fw: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Is it safe to assume they had ww discharge? I'm assuming yes.

From: Senn, John
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 9:43:34 AM
To: Hill, Randy; Frace, Sheila
Subject: Fw: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

This facility would have had to have a npdes permit, right?

This is for the WH btw.

From: Kika, Stacy
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 9:15:39 AM
To: Loop, Travis; Senn, John
Subject: Fw: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Hi,

Do you have any information to provide? Please see below and send info ASAP.

Thanks!
Stacy

From: Cohen, Nancy
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 9:09:16 AM
To: Jones, Enesta; Minter, Marsha; Bassler, Rachel
Cc: Cohen, David; Kika, Stacy
Subject: RE: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

Enesta: I rechecked with OEM and we don't have more than we provided yesterday --

EPA regulates ammonia, an ingredient in fertilizer manufacturing, under the Chemical Accident Prevention Provisions at 40 CFR Part 68, also known as the Risk Management Program. States may also have their own requirements. Additionally: other types of fertilizer, such as ammonia nitrate, are not covered under 112(r), but certain chemical constituents may be regulated under other environmental statutes.

We can't speak for other parts of EPA but OCSPP may have a role and we recommend checking with Air and Water just to be sure, nancy

-----Original Message-----
From: Jones, Enesta
Sent: Friday, April 19, 2013 8:20 AM
To: Cohen, Nancy; Minter, Marsha; Bassler, Rachel
Cc: Cohen, David; Kika, Stacy; Jones, Enesta
Subject: URGENT: West Fertilizer plants

REQUEST

Need a summary of what EPA's authority is on fertilizer plants this morning. Just general info about what we regulate and what we don't.

RESPONSE (from yesterday -- anything we can add?) EPA regulates ammonia, an ingredient in fertilizer manufacturing, under the Chemical Accident Prevention Provisions at 40 CFR Part 68, also known as the Risk Management Program. States may also have their own requirements.

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