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From: Roman, Edith
Sent: Wed 1/22/2014 4:53:41 PM
Subject: FW: ERT Saves the Day for Region 4 !

Good job!!!!

From: Singhvi, Raj
Sent: Wednesday, January 22, 2014 11:14 AM
To: Aquino, Virginia
Cc: Roman, Edith
Subject: FW: ERT Saves the Day for Region 4 !

From: Woolford, James
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2014 4:27 PM
To: Smith, Art; Compton, Harry
Cc: Gilbert, John; Singhvi, Raj; Webster, James
Subject: Re: ERT Saves the Day for Region 4 !

Thanks Art. Appreciate the recognition.

From: Smith, Art
Sent: Tuesday, January 21, 2014 4:10:23 PM
To: Woolford, James; Compton, Harry
Cc: Gilbert, John; Singhvi, Raj; Webster, James
Subject: ERT Saves the Day for Region 4 !

I'm sure that the Crude MCHM spill originating in Charleston, WV has accounted for much of our time and interest over the past 2 weeks. The remnants of the spill passed through Evansville, IN on the Ohio River on Sunday evening. It was not detected by the water utility there and Region 4 is ending our response to that incident.

I did want to express my sincere appreciation to the ERT for assisting Region 4 in our response. Notably, John Gilbert managed a Situation Unit on scene in Cincinnati, OH for 4 days last week, and was responsible for procuring the standard that enabled the ERT lab to perform analysis on surface water samples. And, Raj Singhvi gave up his weekend and holiday to apply a method which was capable of finding the compound at extremely low levels. Though other agencies in Kentucky and Ohio were involved in sampling and analysis during the same period, ERT's efforts produced the first set of hard data for our review.

I'm sure you were aware of the work that was involved, but I did want you to know that the work performed by John and Raj were instrumental in getting us to a successful conclusion to the response.

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