To: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW)[Jacqueline_Cohen@epw.senate.gov]
Cc: Distefano, Nichole[DiStefano.Nichole@epa.gov]; Levine, Carolyn[Levine.Carolyn@epa.gov]; Vaught, Laura[Vaught.Laura@epa.gov]
From: Snyder, Raquel
Sent: Mon 1/13/2014 3:04:47 PM
Subject: RE: West Virginia Spill

Good morning,

No, the determination was made by the state of West Virginia and ATSDR/CDC.

EPA continues to work closely with other Federal and State agencies in West Virginia as they begin implementing a plan for getting the water system back on-line. The State of West Virginia and the West Virginia American Water Company (WVAWC) are developing a plan for flushing the system, along with sampling and analysis, that will allow residents to begin using their water as soon as possible. State and Federal (ATSDR/CDC) health officials have agreed that a level of 1 part per million (ppm) of methylcyclohexanemethanol is protective of public health and the State/WVAWC will use the flushing process to assure that and the 1 ppm level is achieved throughout the system. The EPA supports this approach and has offered sampling and monitoring assistance to the State during the restart efforts.

We are checking on the study and I will let you know as soon as I hear more.

Many thanks,

Raquel Snyder

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From: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW) [mailto:Jacqueline_Cohen@epw.senate.gov]

Sent: Monday, January 13, 2014 10:01 AM
To: Snyder, Raquel
Cc: Distefano, Nichole; Levine, Carolyn; Vaught, Laura
Subject: RE: West Virginia Spill

Can we get an update this morning on what we know? It seems that local officials are citing federal agencies for a safe level of 1 ppm – was that determination made by EPA? I'm also seeing references to a 1990 Eastman study – do you all have the study and was it previously submitted under TSCA section 8(e)?

From: Snyder, Raquel [mailto:Snyder.Raquel@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 4:26 PM
To: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW)
Cc: Distefano, Nichole; Levine, Carolyn; Vaught, Laura
Subject: RE: West Virginia Spill

Let me check!

Many thanks,

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From: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW) [mailto:Jacqueline_Cohen@epw.senate.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 4:24 PM
To: Snyder, Raquel
Cc: Distefano, Nichole; Levine, Carolyn; Vaught, Laura
Subject: RE: West Virginia Spill

Do you know if the facility had an SPCC plan? I know the facility used to be an oil and gas terminal.

From: Snyder, Raquel [mailto:Snyder.Raquel@epa.gov]
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:34 PM
To: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW)
Cc: Distefano, Nichole; Levine, Carolyn; Vaught, Laura
Subject: RE: West Virginia Spill

Hi Jacqueline,

We do not have an enforcement history with the facility where the spill occurred I do know that one of the facilities hold an NPDES permit and the other is a RCRA small quantity generator.

Here is the most up-to-date information we have on the facility and its sister in Nitro, WV:

The company doesn't appear to operate their facilities under the name Freedom Industries. From their website, they reference two facilities:

Etowah River Terminal in Charleston, WV, which is also indicated as their corporate office. There are two FRS Registry records for this location:

ETOWAH RIVER TERMINAL LLC, 1015 BARLOW DRIVE, CHARLESTON, WV 25311 (FRS ID: 110010851541) which is a NPDES minor General Permit Covered facility.

There is no DMR, compliance, or enforcement data for this facility in ECHO.

ETOWAH RIVER TERMINAL, 1015 BARLOW DR - SITE B, CHARLESTON, WV 25311 (FRS ID: 110013294167) which is a RCRA active small quantity generator.

There is no compliance or enforcement data for this facility in ECHO.

Their other location is Poca Blending, in Nitro, WV. There are three FRS records for this facility name (including one in Charleston):

POCA BLENDING, PLANT ROAD, NITRO, WV 25143 (FRS ID: 110040137189) which has a RCRA inactive facility record.

There was an EPA inspection (CEI) performed on 11/3/2009. No violation or enforcement data in ECHO.

POCA BLENDING LLC, PLANT RD PAR INDUSTRIAL PARK BLDG 1, NITRO, WV 25143 (FRS ID: 110043694446) which has only a TRIS link.

No TRI release/transfer data are shown in ECHO.

POCA BLENDING LLC, 1015 BARLOW DR, CHARLESTON, WV 25311 (FRS ID: 110010869658) which is a NPDES minor General Permit Covered facility.

There is no compliance or enforcement data for this facility in ECHO.

Many thanks,

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From: Levine, Carolyn
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:27 PM
To: Vaught, Laura; Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW)
Cc: Distefano, Nichole; Snyder, Raquel
Subject: RE: West Virginia Spill

Hi Jacqueline,

EPA is monitoring the chemical spill in Charleston and is working closely with FEMA and other federal agencies who are responding to the incident. The Agency has deployed on-scene coordinators to assist with water sampling and stands ready to offer additional assistance to the State of West Virginia, who is leading the response on the spill.

I am adding Raquel Snyder who is working with EPA R3 to gather more details, she can follow up if you have further questions.

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From: Vaught, Laura
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:21 PM
To: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW)
Cc: Levine, Carolyn; Distefano, Nichole
Subject: Re: West Virginia Spill

Hey there - am home sick, but looping Carolyn and Nichole.

From: Cohen, Jacqueline (EPW) <Jacqueline_Cohen@epw.senate.gov>
Sent: Friday, January 10, 2014 2:19:06 PM
To: Vaught, Laura
Subject: West Virginia Spill

Can you give me a call on this? 224-6226.