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COMPLAINT, INCIDENT, AND NOTIFICATION REPORT FORM

Type (Circle One): C I N CASE NUMBER: 16-11-03 - 01

Received Date: 11/03/16 Received Time: 12:12 PM Received By: AM Lead: TA

Incident Date: 11/3/16 Incident Time: Assigned to: Assigned Date:

COMPLAINANT / REPORTING PARTY:

Name: STEVE RP is from Facility Anonymous

Organization: CON FIRE DISPATCH

Primary Phone Number: Secondary Phone Number:

Email:

Address:

City: State: Zip Code:

FACILITY / LOCATION OF INCIDENT:

Name: Pacific Coast General Engineering CUPA Facility I.D.:

Phone Number:

Address: 12 INDUSTRY RD Unit:

City: PITTSBURG State: CA Zip Code: 94565

Location Description:

INITIAL INCIDENT DESCRIPTION: CON FIRE REQUESTING ASSISTANCE - FIRE AT OUT BUILDING - 200 GALLON PROPANE TANK
ONSITE - CONTACT BOB ATLAS ONSITE

INCIDENT TYPE / DESCRIPTION:

Community Warning System Level (Circle Highest Level): N/A 0 1 2 3

FACILITY	ISO / MCAR	TRANSPORTATION	MISCELLANEOUS
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fire or Explosion	<input type="checkbox"/> Fatality (one or more)	<input type="checkbox"/> Tank Truck	<input type="checkbox"/> Storm Drain/Creek
<input type="checkbox"/> Spill or Release	<input type="checkbox"/> > 24 hrs. Hospital, 3 or more people	<input type="checkbox"/> Railroad	<input type="checkbox"/> Drug Lab
<input type="checkbox"/> Startup or Shutdown	<input type="checkbox"/> Flammable Vapor Cloud	<input type="checkbox"/> On Water	<input type="checkbox"/> Disposal/Abandonment
<input type="checkbox"/> Flaring	<input type="checkbox"/> > 5,000 lbs.	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipeline	<input type="checkbox"/> Odor Complaint
<input type="checkbox"/> Upset		<input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Tank	<input type="checkbox"/> Other:

Time Enroute to Scene: Time Arrived On Scene: Time Departed From Scene:

REFERRED TO OTHER AGENCY:

DTSC STATE FUNDING (if applicable):

CLU/ERER Number:

STORMWATER STATUS (if applicable):

Actual Discharge Potential Discharge



AGENCIES ON SCENE OR NOTIFIED:

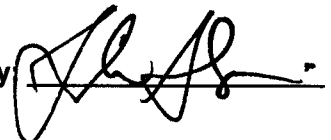
Agency Type	Agency	O/N	Contact Person	Phone Number	Case Number
Fire Department	Con Fire	0	BC Bob Atlas	(925) 383-5005	16106486
Law Enforcement					
Air District					
State OES					
Fire Dept.	Con Fire	0	Inspector Ryan Basin	(925) 383-5033	
Fire Dept.	Con Fire	0	Truck 4		
			Pumper Eng. 85		

REPORT:

See attached narrative

Additional Required Items: Bill of Lading, Request for Invoice, and Site Safety Plan

Report Prepared by



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INCIDENT REPORT
November 10, 2016

PREPARED BY: Trisha Asuncion, Hazardous Materials Specialist II
Contra Costa Health Services Hazardous Materials Programs (CCHSHMP) 

INCIDENT NO. 161103-01

INCIDENT DATE: November 3, 2016

LOCATION: Pacific Coast General Engineering
12 Industry Rd.
Pittsburg, CA 94565

RESPONDING

TEAM MEMBER(S): Trisha Asuncion (lead), Karine Abramians, Sara Dwight, Seth Heller, Tod Hickman, Matt Kaufmann, Devra Lewis, Nick Umemoto, and Ian Williams

FACILITY NOTES

CCHSHMP sent correspondence in late 2015 to Pacific Coast General Engineering to submit hazardous materials/wastes reporting as a business that could potentially be regulated under the CUPA programs. No responses were provided to CCHSHMP after two notices. Pacific Coast General Engineering has not submitted mandatory hazardous materials/waste reporting, therefore does not currently have a CUPA permit.

INCIDENT SUMMARY

CCHSHMP received a call from one of their CUPA inspectors, Seth Heller, while in the field, reporting of black smoke coming from an area off of Highway 4 in Pittsburg. Heller asked if there were any notifications or reports of a fire from our large facilities in the area, but there were no such notifications. He also observed numerous fire assets heading to that area. CCHSHMP directed Heller to go the scene and link in with the Incident Commander to gather more information. CCHSHMP asked Assistant Director Matt Kaufmann if he had received any notifications from Con Fire dispatch. Kaufmann confirmed that he received a notification that Con Fire was responding to a 200-gallon propane tank fire at a business located at 12 Industry Rd. in Pittsburg. He suggested that CCHSHMP gather the team to assist in the response.

CCHSHMP sent out "7777s" concurrently with Con Fire's dispatching of the Haz Mat Team to the scene at 1211 hours. CCHSHMP provided Heller with an exact address of the business. Additionally, CCHSHMP dispatched Ian Williams, who was in Pittsburg, to proceed directly to the scene. Heller made contact with the Incident Commander, Battalion Chief (BC) Bob Atlas. Heller relayed to CCHSHMP that the fire at the propane tank had been extinguished, but the tank may still have remaining liquid propane. Con Fire would continue applying a water spray to remove the possibility of reignition. At that point, Heller recommended that the team's main objective would be air monitoring. From the office, Kaufmann had left in HM4/6131 with the temperature gun and thermal heat imager. Karine Abramians, Devra Lewis, and Sara Dwight departed from the office in HM1/6824; and Trisha Asuncion and Nick Umemoto in HM3/6868.



As the responding team members began to arrive at the incident/facility location, they observed reportable quantities of hazardous materials and hazardous wastes on site, in addition to the 200-gallon propane tank:

- Two (2) 55-gallon drums of waste oil
- Two (2) 240-gallon tanks of regular (87) gasoline
- One (1) 550-gallon tank of clear diesel
- One (1) 550-gallon tank of red-dyed diesel; and
- Numerous compressed gas cylinders of oxygen, acetylene, argon, and carbon dioxide.

A CUPA inspection was conducted on site by Dwight and Tod Hickman in conjunction with an inspection by Con Fire Inspector Ryan Bain. See attached inspection reports by CCHSHMP.

Team members that had arrived earlier had begun air monitoring as the firefighters had continued a water spray on the propane tank. The water spray had ceased when it was determined that the leak may have subsided and there were no readings in and around the area of the burned propane tank. During this time, the business had contacted their propane contractor Amerigas to either remove the residual liquid propane in the tank or completely remove the tank from the yard. The estimated time of arrival of the propane technician is unknown as he was coming from San Jose. During this time, IC and Haz Mat discussed the next steps of the incident response as they waited for the propane technician to arrive. BC Atlas made to decision to keep the truck and pumper engine companies to remain in the event that Amerigas would conduct off-loading operations on site. Safety Officer Chris Bloch of Con Fire and Asuncion drafted a Site Safety Plan for this possible operation.

Because the situation had stabilized for the time being, Haz Mat released several responding members; Asuncion, Dwight, and Hickman remained on scene. At approximately 1556 hours, Amerigas Service Technician Raymond Macias arrived. He assessed the tank and said that the pressure in the tank is less than 5 psi and is mostly vapor and barely any liquid left; therefore, he can safely transport the tank back to the yard where he will offload the remaining contents inside the tank. With that assessment, Truck 4, Pumper Engine 85, and Haz Mat were released from the scene.

FINDINGS

CCHSHMP and Con Fire reviewed video footage of the yard provided by the business. Although the cause of the fire was not captured on video, smoke from the propane tank was observed at around 1152 hours. Then at approximately 1157 hours, the flames from the fire were scene. Con Fire had a Fire Investigator on scene. At this time, CCHSHMP is not aware of the causes of the fire. The video footage was provided by the business to BC Atlas.

ATTACHMENT(S)

Photos taken on 11/3/2016

CCHSHMP Inspection Reports – 11/3/2016

Request for Billing Form