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Board Memo 084-2024: Latest Update on Mercury Spill at Titusville, FL Post Office

Executive Board,

Below is the latest update regarding the mercury spill at the Titusville, FL Post Office.

6-17-24 HQ Summary Sitrep – Titusville mercury spill

Situation Summary (details from USPS Industrial Hygienist included below):

- Titusville remains closed. The clearance samples were delivered to the lab at 0800 (eastern). Results are anticipated by 1400 (eastern). When received, the Contractor and EPA will review the results prior to submitting to the USPS Certified Industrial Hygienist (CIH) for review.

The re-entry Safety Talk has been approved by the EPA and the USPS CIH. The tentative schedule to provide the talk is 0800 Tuesday Jun 18th at the Cocoa Florida Post Office.

172 pieces of the total of 558 pieces of mail screened overnight were cleared. Mail decontamination efforts will likely transition into mail documentation efforts tomorrow to facilitate cataloguing mail that will likely have to be destroyed. A limited team will remain on site to complete the cataloguing efforts.

The Contractor anticipates all activities (except waste pickup) to be completed by Friday June 21st.

- Mid-Florida P&DC remains open. No change in status.

The information below is current as of 1000 (eastern).

June 17, 2024 – Occupational Safety & Health Update

Titusville HUB – 2503 South Washington Ave in Titusville, FL 32780

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED:

- Clearance samples were taken to the lab and were hand-delivered this morning at 0800 EST.
 1. Contractor expects results by approximately 1400 EST.
 2. The contractor and the EPA will review sample results prior to submitting to USPS CIH for review.
- HVAC in the facility was restarted.
- Additional waste was characterized for disposal.

- Re-Entry Safety Talk was approved by the EPA and USPS CIH.
- The workroom floor was mopped an additional time.
 1. The issue with the floor being slippery has been resolved. Humidity seemed to play a major role in causing the slippery environment. Once HVAC was turned on and humidity levels dropped, it was easier to dry the floor.
- 172 pieces of mail cleared overnight.
 1. 558 total pieces were assessed.
- Re-Entry Talk tentatively scheduled for Tuesday at 0800 EST at the Cocoa Florida PO

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

- Re-Entry Talk sheet will be finalized.
- Talk is tentatively scheduled for Tuesday morning, 0800 EST at Cocoa Florida PO
- TCLP (waste characterization) samples will be collected of contaminated mail that cannot be released.
- Project equipment decontamination and site cleanup will continue.
- Dock will be cleared of equipment, decontamination station, etc.
- Decisions will be made on remaining mail and items in the decontamination tent.
 - Mail decontamination will likely transition to mail documentation tomorrow morning – in anticipation of having to destroy and dispose of mail that cannot be decontaminated.
- The site will be prepared for regular operations.
 - Command trailer and mobile mini unit used for mercury analyzer charging and maintenance will be relocated.
 - Clean and cleared MTE will be staged for reopening.

Additional Comments:

- A limited number of personnel from the response team will remain on site until the mail is documented, containerized, and placed in storage.
- Oversized items that cannot be decontaminated will be placed in an appropriately sized roll-off dumpster.
- Contractor anticipates all activities (except waste pickup) to be completed by COB Friday, 6/21/24.

Mid Florida P&DC – 800 Rinehart Rd in Lake Mary, FL 32746 – Trailer decontamination only

ACTIVITIES COMPLETED

- None

PLANNED ACTIVITIES:

- None
- Site will be removed from daily update starting 6/18/24.

Air Quality:

- Trailer cleared and can be returned to service.

Please share this information with your membership.

Thank you, and be safe.

NAPS Headquarters