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Board Memo 133-2023: Mercury Spill at the St. Louis NDC

Executive Board,

Below is an update from the Michael Swigart, the Executive Director of Continuity and Preparedness, regarding the mercury spill that occurred yesterday, October 26th, at the St. Louis NDC location.

Situation: – At 0815 this morning, a mercury spill was discovered at the Saint Louis NDC's secondary operation.

People:

- All employees accounted for, and no injuries reported.
- One (1) Maintenance Employee and eight (8) Mail Processing employees MAY have come in contact with the Mercury.
- Current EPRRS Contractors (WSP) onsite ETA is 5-6 hours.
- Local First Responders are onsite and providing direction to site Emergency Management Team (EMT).
- Cleared Employees will be redirected to the St Louis Package Support Annex (PSA).

Property:

- Mercury discovered on Dumper feeding PSM 3 and associated belts.
- HVAC has been shut off.
- Outbound trucks potentially impacted will be identified by Logistics and screened by contractors after arrival.

Product:

- All processing operations have been suspended.
- Destinating NDC trips are being redirected to the St Louis PSA.

Communications:

- Employees are being kept informed.
- Division/District/Plant Leadership have been informed.
- HQ OSH has been notified
- HQ OSH Industrial Hygienist has been notified and is engaged
- EPRRS Contractors have been contacted and are enroute.
- Employee Hotline will be updated by Human Resources.
- District MOI will construct messaging for local Delivery Operations.
- Midwest Division will work to identify potentially impacted outbound trips.

• Unions will be informed

Please share this information with your membership.

Thank you, and be safe.

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