

Record of Communication

To: Kathy Lawson
NC DEQ
Date: 9/16/16
Time: 7:20 am

From: Patrick Speckman
Leather Trimmings

Subject: Water Draining from Trex Properties
Trex Properties, LLC
NCD 049 773 245

Phone Call Discussion Field Trip Conference Other (Specify)

Summary of Communication:

Mr. Speckman called to follow up on the attached e-mail. The e-mail contains a link to a video taken by his phone.

He said that there was water coming from the Trex Properties' building (appears to be 3114 in the video). He said that earlier in the day he had seen a PCT employee at the site, but did not know what he had been doing there. I told him that it looked as though they might be pumping collected rainwater from the area where the hazardous waste trailers had been parked, but that I would follow up with Brian Bellis.

Conclusions, Action Taken or Required

I called Brian Bellis and asked if they had been out to the site on Thursday. He said that they had not been out there, but that it was probable that Trex was indeed using a sump pump to drain the collected rainwater. He recommended I call David Craig.

I called David and told him that Mr. Speckman had called regarding the water running off of the Trex property. David confirmed that PCT had been out there running a sump pump to drain the standing water from the trailer area. I asked about it being a PCT person as the company have been evicted from the site. David said that Tim Connelly, one of the former emergency contacts, still had a key as Trex had no other way to have routine things like this addressed. He referenced the Zika virus as the reason for needing to drain the trailer area. He then asked me to let Mr. Speckman know that he was free to call David at any time with any concerns he had regarding activities at the property.

I called Mr. Speckman back and informed him about the pumping activities. I also let him know that David said he could call any time he had a question about the facility. Mr. Speckman also

wanted to know whether Trex was going to address the cold weather issues with regard to the indoor air mediation system currently set up. Cold weather is approaching and the working conditions are unbearable when pumping 40-degree air into the building. In addition, he wanted to know who was supposed to pay for the power to run the system. I told him that we were planning on meeting with Trex shortly and that I would see if we could broach the subject of winter temperatures. I also told him that it was between Leather Trimmings and Trex as to who paid the bills.

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Lawson, Kathleen

From: Leather Trimmings Limited <leathertrimmings@msn.com>
Sent: Thursday, September 15, 2016 5:19 PM
To: Lawson, Kathleen
Subject: RE: Your copy of the Results of Additional Indoor Air and Outdoor Air Analyses Letter--Trex Properties

Hi Kathleen,

I am still interested about how we are going to deal with the temperature issue. Also today as I was leaving my building around 3pm I noticed water flowing out of a pipe attached to the Detrex building and running into a storm drain on the site. It may be nothing but I took a video. We have not had rain in quite some time so the standing water I believe is from whatever they are doing over there.

https://1drv.ms/v/s!AqI_EPwVd-lkixVn71yDkzVMos4R

That link should get you to the video

Let me know what you think they are doing. No one was on site and I do not think it is coming from the cleanup guys from Wilmington.

Best regards
Patrick

From: kathleen.lawson@ncdenr.gov
To: leathertrimmings@msn.com
CC: bud.mccarty@ncdenr.gov; sandy.mort@ncdenr.gov
Subject: RE: Your copy of the Results of Additional Indoor Air and Outdoor Air Analyses Letter--Trex Properties
Date: Fri, 20 May 2016 12:48:54 +0000

Mr. Speckman,

Running the system 24 hours a day is necessary to prevent buildup of TCE in the indoor air overnight, causing an unnecessary exposure risk when the building is opened in the morning. I will have to get back to you regarding the temperature issue.

Kathy

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