



DEPARTMENT of ENVIRONMENT  
and NATURAL RESOURCES

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December 15, 2016

Dale Wilson  
CHS Farmers Alliance  
PO Box 1286  
Mitchell, SD 57301

Subject: Department of Environment and Natural Resources File Number – 2016.220  
Pertaining to a release of liquid fertilizer into containment, Mitchell

Dear Mr. Wilson:

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources is contacting you regarding the above referenced event. This office has recorded information provided about this event on an initial spill report form (enclosed for your review). It is understood the available product has been recovered and will be used for its intended purpose. The procedures for assessment and remediation of a release such as this were developed to prevent pollution of the waters of the State. In this situation, the following steps must be taken:

- By January 13, 2017 please complete and return the enclosed Incident Follow Up Report form (this is a standard form so some questions will not apply to this situation, just skip those questions). Electronic options for completing the form can be found at [http://denr.sd.gov/des/gw/Spills/Incident\\_Follow\\_Up\\_Report.aspx](http://denr.sd.gov/des/gw/Spills/Incident_Follow_Up_Report.aspx)
- Do not allow the release of accumulated water from within the tank containment system without this department's approval. Sample accumulated water quarterly (or when water is available) and provide results for department review.

Rick Lancaster has been assigned as the project manager of this case. Once Rick has reviewed all of the information on this case he will contact you to discuss any further actions that may be needed. If you have any questions or need additional information please contact Rick Lancaster or me at 605.773.3296. Thank you for your cooperation.

Sincerely,

Kim McIntosh  
Environmental Manager

Enclosures

cc Jeff Bathke, Davison County Emergency Management, Mitchell, SD  
Gary Perowitz, CHS Environmental, Morris, MN

# Environmental Events Database - Initial Report Form

Dept. of Ag. Case No.		DNR Case No.: 2016.220		
Reported: (mm/dd/yy) 12/13/16		Time: 5:30 PM		
Recorded By: R. LANCASTER				
<b>A. REPORTER</b>	Reported By: GARY PEROWETZ			
	Organization Name: CHS INC.			
	Organization: <input type="checkbox"/> discharger <input type="checkbox"/> public <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local <input type="checkbox"/> federal			
	Address: 11 WEST 5TH STREET			
	City: MORRIS	County:	State: MAI	
Zip: 56267	Phone: 320 287 3109			
<b>B. DISCHARGER</b> <small>(Responsible Party)</small>	Name: CHS FARMERS ALLIANCE DALE WILSON			
	Address: PO BOX 1286			
	City: MITCHELL	County:	State: SD	
	Zip: 57301	Phone: 605 996 9200		
<b>C. INCIDENT LOCATION</b>	As Above in B Street or Approx. Location: ELEVATOR ROAD FACILITY TANK FARM BEHIND OFFICES			
	Survey Description: Sec T R 57301			
	City: MITCHELL	County: DAVENPORT	State: SD	
	Spill Date: (mm/dd/yy)			
<b>D. DATA</b>	Spill Date: (mm/dd/yy)		Spill Time:	
	<b>E. MATERIAL</b>	Material Type (Code/Name): LIQUID FERTILIZER	Quantity Spilled: 30	Spilled in Water:
		Units (Check 1)		
		lb. bbl. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> gal. oth.	lb. bbl. gal. oth.	lb. bbl. gal. oth.
<b>F. SOURCE</b>	Source of Spill: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> AST <input type="checkbox"/> UST <input type="checkbox"/> railway <input type="checkbox"/> vessel <input type="checkbox"/> fixed facility <input type="checkbox"/> pipeline <input type="checkbox"/> highway <input type="checkbox"/> air transport			
	Description: FIBERGLASS TANK			
<b>G. MED.</b>	Medium Affected: <input type="checkbox"/> air <input type="checkbox"/> land <input type="checkbox"/> water <input type="checkbox"/> groundwater <input type="checkbox"/> within facility only			
	Waterway Affected: W/IN SECONDARY CONTAINMENT			
<b>H. CAUSE</b>	Reported Cause: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation accident <input type="checkbox"/> equipment failure <input type="checkbox"/> operational error <input type="checkbox"/> natural phenomenon <input type="checkbox"/> dumping unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Other			
	Description: GASKET LEAK			
<b>I. DAMAGE</b>	Damages: No. of injuries No. of deaths Property damage > \$50,000			
	Evacuation Response Action Taken: AVAILABLE PRODUCT RECOVERED TO BE USED FOR INTENDED PURPOSE			
<b>K. NOTIFIED</b>	Responding Agency: <input type="checkbox"/> DNR <input type="checkbox"/> DOA <input type="checkbox"/> discharger <input type="checkbox"/> federal <input type="checkbox"/> EPA <input type="checkbox"/> local			
	Agencies Notified:			
<b>L. COMMENTS</b>	Comments: ACCUMULATED WATER WITHIN CONTAINMENT TO BE TESTED FOR COMPONENTS OF FERTILIZER. TEST RESULTS TO BE PROVIDED TO THIS OFFICE FOR REVIEW + APPROVAL PRIOR TO RELEASE.			