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August 24, 2017

Vearl Thompson
TLC Trucking
6629 100th Street SW
Motley, Minnesota 56566

Subject: Department of Environment and Natural Resources File Number 2017.161
Pertaining to the release of sulfur at the Mt. Vernon, I-90 ramp and on
private property where you transported the trailer after the tire/break fire.

Dear Mr. Thompson:

The Department of Environment and Natural Resources is contacting you regarding the above referenced event. This office has recorded the information provided about this event on an initial spill report form (enclosed for your review). The procedures for assessment and cleanup 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:

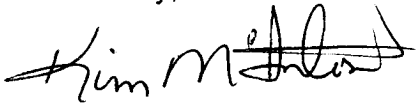
- Retain the services of an environmental consulting firm to oversee the assessment of remaining sulfur impacts on the interstate roadway, road shoulder and the private property where the trailer was taken after the fire.
- Please direct your environmental consultant to maintain communication with this office for the purpose of proving site observations and to provide a copy of all reports generated as a result to the environmental work performed at this site.
- Perform assessment work to include laboratory confirmation of the full extent of the contamination.
- Excavate contaminated soil and provide documentation that the contaminated soil was properly managed and disposed at a permitted solid waste facility.
- By September 20, 2017, please have your environmental consultant complete and return the attached Written Contamination Incident Follow Up Report form (this is a standard form so some questions will not apply to this situation, just skip those questions).

In addition to the assessment and cleanup of the spilled sulfur, the department requires the following information be provided to this office no later than September 11, 2017:

- Provide Material Safety Data Sheets or SDS on the sulfur product being transported in your truck.
- Provide details on the shipment: name and contact information of the company manufacturing the sulfur material in Montana, name of company and the location of where you were transporting the sulfur in Iowa.
- Provide a written report detailing the actions taken in response to this event, such as where the sulfur material that was on the truck went. Was it used by a local farmer and if so who, or was it offloaded to another truck and taken to Iowa?

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 605.773.3296. Thank you for your cooperation and assistance in protecting the quality of South Dakota's natural resources.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kim McIntosh". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "K" and "M".

Kim McIntosh
Environmental Scientist Manager

Enclosures

Cc: Jeff Bathke, Davidson County Emergency Management
Tom Gere, SD Department of Agriculture
Ben Miltenberger, Great West Casualty (claim #N10014)

Environmental Events Database - Initial Report Form

Dept. of Ag. Case No.

DENR Case No.:

2017.161

Reported: (mm/dd/yy) Aug 21, 2017		Time: 12:30		Recorded By: M. [Signature]		
A. REPORTER	Reported By: Jeff Bathke - Tyler Sporer - OEM					
	Organization Name: Davison County EM					
	Organization: <input type="checkbox"/> discharger <input type="checkbox"/> public <input type="checkbox"/> state <input type="checkbox"/> local <input type="checkbox"/> federal					
	Address:					
City:		County:		State:		
Zip:		Phone: 995-8640				
B. DISCHARGER <small>(Responsible Party)</small>	Name: Veart Thompson - TLC Trucking					
	Address: 6629 100th Street SW					
	City: Motley		County:		State: MN	
	Zip: 56466		Phone: 320-733-4816			
C. INCIDENT LOCATION	As Above in B Street or Approx. Location: I-90 on ramp going East					
	319 on ramp					
	Survey Description: _____ Sec _____ T _____ R 57363					
	City: Mt. Vernon		County: Davison		State: SD	
D. DATE		Spill Date: (mm/dd/yy) 8-16-17-2017		Spill Time:		
E. MATERIAL	Material Type (Code/Name):		hazardous substance oil _____ other _____		material unknown	
	unknown		Sulfur		Quantity Spilled: unkn.	
					Spilled in Water	
					Units (Check 1) lb. bbl. gal. oth.	
F. SOURCE	Source of Spill: <input 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: large quantity of material dumped on interstate on-ramp					
G. MED.	Medium Affected: <input type="checkbox"/> air <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> land <input type="checkbox"/> water <input type="checkbox"/> groundwater <input type="checkbox"/> within facility only					
	Waterway Affected:					
H. CAUSE	Reported Cause: <input type="checkbox"/> transportation accident <input type="checkbox"/> equipment failure <input type="checkbox"/> operational error <input type="checkbox"/> natural phenomenon <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> dumping <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unknown <input type="checkbox"/> Other					
	Description:					
I. D A M.	Damages: No. of injuries _____		No. of deaths _____		Property damage > \$50,000 _____	
	Evacuation Response Action Taken: DOT attempted to use broom to sweep up material - it started on fire.					
K. NOTIFIED	Responding Agency: <input type="checkbox"/> DENR <input type="checkbox"/> DOA <input type="checkbox"/> discharger <input type="checkbox"/> federal <input type="checkbox"/> EPA <input type="checkbox"/> local					
	Agencies Notified:					
L. COMMENTS	Comments: Reports that a semi had broken down the week before. - Investigation underway. (8/17/17)					
	Great West - MCP 22730A					

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