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AUSTRALIA, SOUTH AUSTRALIA, SELICKS BEACH, OCTOBER 14 2012. WOMAN STRUCK BY FIREWORK SHRAPNEL AT SELICKS BEACH

ben hyde

A woman is recovering from emergency surgery after she was hit by a homemade firework at Sellicks Beach last night. Emergency services were called to a Sellicks Beach property about 10.10pm after reports a woman had been hit by shrapnel from a firework. The woman, 27, suffered serious chest wounds and was taken to the Flinders Medical Centre in a life-threatening condition. She had emergency surgery overnight. "This unfortunate incident serves as a timely reminder, as the weather warms up and the festive season begins, about the dangers of fireworks - particularly homemade fireworks," a police spokesperson said.

<http://www.news.com.au/national/woman-struck-by-firework-shrapnel-at-sellicks-beach/story-fndo4dzn-1226495457415>

ENGLAND, NORTHUMBERLAND, OCTOBER 14 2012. EYE INJURY GIRL INDIA REDHEAD IN FIREWORKS WARNING



India had to have her iris removed after the accident.

A girl who almost lost her sight in a fireworks accident is the face of her local fire brigade's bonfire night safety campaign. India Redhead, from Hadston, near Morpeth, Northumberland, was eight when she was hit in her left eye by a stray firework at a party last year. She underwent surgery and had her iris removed, limiting her vision. Now the youngster features in a safety video for the Tyne and Wear Fire Service being shown to schoolchildren. India's mother, Deborah Duke, said: "Almost one year later, India is still having treatment. "She has to go for a lens to be fitted every four weeks to help her try and see a bit better, but at the minute it still isn't working properly. "Her eyes often play tricks on her, she sees

things that aren't there because she hasn't got full vision."

'Devastating Injuries'

India added: "At school I have to sit at the front of the class because I can't see properly and I have to wear goggles to play sport. "I can't stare straight at things because my eye will start to hurt, so I have to keep moving it round." As well as her physical injuries, India has been left traumatised by the accident and is now terrified of fireworks. A fire service spokesman said: "We want everyone to enjoy Bonfire Night. "However, as India's story shows, bonfires and fireworks can cause devastating injuries, even if you are being careful. "India's family and their neighbours took sensible precautions, but this terrible accident still happened." The video is being shown to schools across Tyne and Wear in the run up to Bonfire Night on 5 November.

Related Links

- [Bangers pose 'significant danger'](#)
- [Warning over 'fireworks' danger](#)

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-tyne-19936267>

VENEZUELA, ZULIA, PARADA, BAJO GRANDE, OCTOBER 14 2012. LIGHTNING STRIKE CAUSES FIRE AT VENEZUELAN REFINERY

A fire broke out on Saturday at an oil refinery in Venezuela's northwestern state of Zulia, a major oil production base of the country, government sources said. Gladys Parada, marketing general manager of the Venezuelan Petroleum Ministry, told reporters that a lightning bolt hit the refinery during a thunderstorm and started the fire, which was quickly brought under control by plant employees and firemen. The fire affected the refinery's extraction plant in Bajo Grande, Parada was quoted as saying by the official news service Agencia Venezolana de Noticias (AVN). Parada added that the fire also caused explosion in a "secure area" of the plant, without mentioning any casualties. This is the third fire that has hit refineries and plants under the state-owned oil company Petroleos de Venezuela (Pdvs) in recent months. In a major disaster on August 25, a fire caused explosion of three huge gasoline tanks at the Amuay refinery in the northwestern Falcon state, killing 42 workers and injuring another 132. A lightning strike on September 19 set ablaze two gasoline tanks at a refinery in Puerto Cabello, but caused no casualties.

http://www.chinadaily.com.cn/world/2012-10/14/content_15815771.htm



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USA, N.J, GARFIELD, OCTOBER 14 2012. GARFIELD BEGINS DEMOLITION OF CONTAMINATED ELECTROPLATING PLANT

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 **Watch the Video** [NJ Demolition Raises Concerns about Toxic Dust](#)



S.P. Sullivan/NJ.com The former E.C. Electroplating plant on Clark Street in Garfield.

The long-awaited demolition of the former E.C. Electroplating building in Garfield finally began on Friday. The plant closed in 2009, but it left behind a badly contaminated site. Most of the problems stem from a 1983 chemical spill that saw more than 3,600 gallons of chromium - which is known to cause cancer - escape from a storage tank into surrounding soil and groundwater, which spread throughout area neighborhoods. The site was added to a federal Superfund list in 2011, and the EPA committed to a cleanup of the Clark Street site and 13 nearby homes earlier this year. The entire range of the contamination encompasses more than 600 properties in Garfield, and some officials have worried that the impact of the spill may range into neighboring communities such

as Passaic. Recent studies of a handful of those parcels have found that while traces of the chromium remain, they are small enough to not pose a major health risk. According to an alert issued by police, approximately one-quarter of the building came down on Friday. Work will be suspended over the weekend, with crews scheduled to return on Monday. Alarms set up to monitor the release of any chemicals into the air were not activated during any of Friday's work. Police said they will continue to issue alerts to the community if any other phase of the demolition warrants it.

Related Links

- [Chromium-polluted plant on Garfield Superfund site will be demolished, cleaned by EPA](#)
- [Funding cuts could delay Garfield cleanup of cancer-causing chromium](#)
- [Despite lingering contamination concerns, residents of Garfield neighborhood staying put](#)
- [Garfield neighborhood is declared a toxic waste site](#)

http://www.nj.com/bergen/index.ssf/2012/10/garfield_begins_demolition_of_contaminated_electroplating_plant.html

CANADA, MANITOBA, ST. BONIFACE, OCTOBER 14 2012. WINNIPEG INDUSTRIAL BLAZE SPARKED BY SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION: FIRE COMMISSIONER

steve lambert

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Firefighters hold position at a fire at 40 nicolas street in winnipeg approach rail tanker cars Monday, October 01, 2012.

A fire that lit up the sky and forced hundreds from their homes is being blamed on spontaneous combustion. The Manitoba fire commissioner's office has ruled that the Oct. 1 blaze at Speedway International fuel plant in Winnipeg was accidental. The office said in a report Friday that the fire is believed to have started in the oily substance in the plant's filter press area. The report did not specify which liquid started the blaze, but said it began in a part of the plant where biodiesel is manufactured. Methanol fuel for racing cars and windshield washer fluid are also produced at the sprawling industrial complex.

Spontaneous combustion is not uncommon, but it takes time for heat to build. "In industrial processes, the storage or disposal of oily rags in piles can allow them to self heat, or the combustion process could have been accelerated due to heat created from industrial processes like equipment operation or friction," reads the report. "Piles of straw, coal and even large manure piles can spontaneously combust." The findings raise questions about whether the fire might have been prevented had the plant not been empty when it started. Evan Basarowich, one of the plant's nine employees, told The Canadian Press the day after the fire that the plant would normally operate throughout the day and into the evening. But the day shift had been sent home early on Oct. 1 because work had stopped while the plant waited for a shipment of magnesol — a powder used to purify



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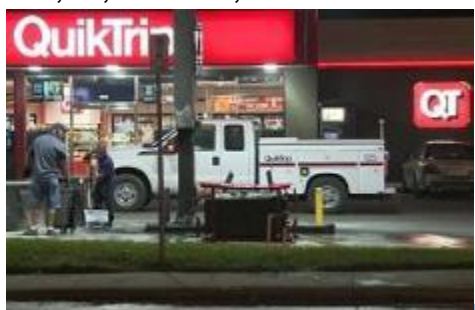
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biodiesel. Basarowich and others on a later shift were told to come in late, after the shipment was scheduled to arrive. The fire ignited in the empty plant around 5 p.m. It set off alarms that prompted the company to call in Basarowich and other workers. When the fire reached a large methanol tank, a huge fireball erupted that could be seen for kilometres. Firefighters spent hours dousing rail cars, trucks and large storage barrels to try to prevent them from exploding. Businesses and homes in a one-kilometre radius were evacuated. As the evening wore on, firefighters retreated twice to keep out of the way of barrels that exploded from the heat. Crews eventually gained the upper hand and started beating back the flames. By the time the fire was extinguished the following day, damage was estimated at \$15 million. There were no injuries. The fire commissioner's office said it will review what happened to determine "whether there should be any changes, or mandated time frames, for inspections of these, or similar types of industrial facilities." Speedway International, in a written statement two days after the fire, said it was federally licensed and had complied with all regulatory safety standards and codes. The company said Friday it wanted to reassure residents. "We want to assure the public the fire they witnessed was burning Canola M.E. (mono alkyl ester), which is derived from long chain fatty acids of canola oil and not dangerous goods or hazardous materials," owner Royce Rostecki said in a written statement. "This confirms what we were told by an independent investigator this was an exothermal reaction of Canola M.E. inside a filter press of the biodiesel facility. "The investigator also determined that no human error, equipment failure or negligence on behalf of Speedway International contributed to the fire."

<http://www.vancouver.sun.com/news/Winnipeg+industrial+blaze+sparked+spontaneous+combustion+fire/7382409/story.html>

USA, KS, WICHITA, OCTOBER 14 2012. SOUTH WICHITA GAS PUMP CATCHES FIRE AFTER HIT BY SUV



Update: Saturday, October 13, 2012

One person has been taken into custody after allegedly backing into a south Wichita gas pump, causing it to catch fire, and leaving the scene. It happened around 5:30 Saturday morning at the Quik Trip at Harry and South Seneca. Authorities say a woman in a white Chevy Blazer backed into the pump. "After they did hit the pump, they got out of their vehicle for a second and acted like they were going to report it to the store, but at some point changed their mind, got back into the vehicle and left," said Wichita Police Sgt. Kenneth Kimble. She was found and arrested for hit and run a short time later. The intersection was shut down while firefighters quickly got the blaze under control. No injuries were reported. The incident is under investigation. A damage estimate was not immediately available.

Saturday, October 13, 2012

A gas pump at a south Wichita gas station caught fire after it was hit by sport utility vehicle early Saturday morning. It happened around 5:30 a.m. at the Quik Trip at Harry and South Seneca. Authorities say a white Chevy Blazer struck the pump and then fled the scene. The intersection was shut down while firefighters quickly got the blaze under control. No injuries were reported. The incident is under investigation. A damage estimate was not immediately available.

<http://www.kake.com/news/headlines/South-Wichita-Gas-Pump-Catches-Fire-After-Hit-By-Car-174016651.html>

BULGARIA, KOSTINBROD, OCTOBER 14 2012. SERBIA'S NIS BUYS BULGARIAN FUEL STORAGE



Serbian energy company Naftna Industrija Srbije (NIS) has purchased a fuel storage in Bulgaria. The 25,500 cubic meter-facility in Kostinbrod, northwest of Bulgaria's capital Sofia, will be used for storing, blending and distributing gasoline, diesel, biodiesel, ethanol and liquefied natural gas, the Novi Sad-based refiner said Friday, as cited by Bloomberg. The seller and the price of the acquisition have not been disclosed. The storage will be fully operational by the end of the month, according to the company. NIS says plans "a significant increase" of storage capacity in Bulgaria over the next three years, as part of the development of its retail network in the region.

http://www.novinite.com/view_news.php?id=144089



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CHINA, ZHEJIANG PROVINCE, HANGZHOU, OCTOBER 14 2012. FIREWORKS MISFIRE, EXPLODE INTO CROWD >> MORE THAN 100 PEOPLE WERE INJURED

 [Watch the Video Fireworks Misfire, Explode into Crowd](#)

 [Photo's \[8\] Many Injured in Firework Accident in Hangzhou](#)



Police obtain evidence at a hospital in Hangzhou, capital of east China's Zhejiang Province, Oct. 13, 2012. An firework accident occurred at the opening ceremony of the West Lake International Expo in Hangzhou Saturday night. Most of the injured persons have left hospital at about 9:40 pm after receiving medical treatments. Two injured are still in hospital for further examination.

A video has emerged of the moment disaster struck at a fireworks display in China, after rockets misfired and exploded into a crowd of onlookers. More than 100 people were injured in the incident at the opening of an industry expo in east China's Zhejiang Province on October 13, CCTV Network reports. Amateur video shows fireworks exploding in the sky before a series of rockets suddenly shoot into the stands. Sparks fly as the rockets explode in the audience

and hit crowd members with fireworks as they flee. The District Publicity Department said more than 100 people suffered burns and up to five people needed to stay in hospital for observation. Nobody was reported to have suffered life threatening injuries. The firework display was being held for the opening of West Lake International Expo, an industry exhibition that was first started in 1929.

<http://news.ninensn.com.au/world/2012/10/14/11/24/fireworks-misfire-explode-into-crowd>

USA, N.Y, VICTOR, OCTOBER 14 2012. PIZZERIA OWNERS SETTLE WITH VICTOR

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A long-standing lawsuit against the town of Victor by the owners of Pontillo's Pizza was resolved Tuesday night, and it will cost the town \$65,000. Council members voted unanimously Oct. 9 to pay a settlement of \$65,000 to David and Philip Pontillo to end litigation over contamination they say occurred when underground fuel tanks were punctured during construction of the new Town Hall in building in December 2007. In the lawsuit, originally filed in state Supreme Court March 2009, Pontillo's Pizza owners sought damages stemming from the discovery and removal of several old fuel tanks uncovered during construction at 85 E. Main St. Contractors punctured at least one of the tanks, they said, causing oil and other liquid to leak onto the Pontillos' adjacent property at 99 E. Main St. One 1,000 gallon tank, found six feet underground, leaked what was believed to be a mixture of groundwater and fuel oil after it was hit by a piece of construction equipment. Another tank, containing motor oil, also leaked into the ground. Remediation and testing for the two tanks cost the town just under \$30,000 in 2008. After the leak, the Pontillos said the business suffered lost profits and the property value has decreased. According to the newly passed resolution, the town admits no liability, but made the settlement "to reduce any further risk of... an adverse judgment or decision... and continued payment of attorney's fees." In return, the Pontillos have agreed to discontinue their lawsuit and advise the New York State Spill Fund that they are withdrawing their claim. The tanks were believed to be about 70 years old and were likely left over from a former car dealership and gas station. After the leaks were discovered in 2008, contractors from LeChase Construction removed tons of soil around the affected area, to the point where removing more would have compromised the foundation of the Pontillo property, said then project manager Kevin Reilly. At that point, engineers from Macedon-based SAW Environmental Services performed air- and water-quality tests, both of which came back negative, Reilly said.

<http://www.mpnnow.com/topstories/x1292874117/Pizzeria-owners-settle-with-Victor>

USA, CA, RICHMOND, OCTOBER 15 2012. CORROSION LINKED TO 2011 CHEVRON REFINERY FIRE

Corrosion that went unchecked — the suspected cause of a fire at Chevron Corp.'s Richmond refinery in August — has been linked to a fire at the plant in October 2011, the San Francisco Chronicle reported Sunday (<http://bit.ly/OzFQcu>). According to state inspection documents obtained by The Chronicle, a state Division of Occupational Safety and Health inspector who investigated the smaller 2011 fire documented allegations from two workers of corrosion at the refinery. The 2011 fire took place during a scheduled maintenance shutdown and was quickly extinguished. "We're afraid something is going to fall



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through the cracks," one worker told Cal/OSHA safety inspector Carla Fritz, who went to the plant to investigate the fire last November. "We're concerned about increased corrosion — we've increased temperatures and increased rates, and it takes a toll on the equipment," said the worker, who was identified in Fritz's notes as head operator of the lube oil plant — the most senior of a 20-member operator crew. Cal/OSHA said in a statement that a violation notice was not issued to Chevron over the 2011 fire "because the problem alleged and potential hazard had been already identified and corrected." The Chronicle obtained Fritz's notes under the state Public Records Act. State officials redacted the names of Chevron employees she interviewed. A Chevron spokesman told the Associated Press that the 2011 fire was contained in a furnace in the lubricants plant, and that the company took appropriate actions afterward to protect the safety of its employees and facilities. "We immediately responded, shut down the affected operations, evacuated all non-essential staff, and successfully contained the incident," Sean Comey said in a statement. He added that workers at Chevron have the authority to stop any operation, without any repercussions, if they believe people or the environment are in danger. Another fire struck the refinery on Aug. 6, creating a huge plume of black smoke and sending thousands of people to hospitals with health complaints. Chevron later said it was stepping up inspections after it was determined that the blaze was caused by a failure in a five-foot section of an old pipe.

<http://abcnews.go.com/US/wireStory/corrosion-linked-2011-chevron-refinery-fire-17477164#.UHukQcVOQrU>

USA, VA, HAMPTON, OCTOBER 15 2012. CREWS WORK TO CLEAN OIL SPILL

More than 3,000 gallons of motor oil leaked from a storage tank into a drainage ditch in the Briarfield neighborhood Sunday. Hampton Hazmat crews contained the spill to area about a quarter mile, said Hampton Fire Department spokesman Capt. Anthony Chittum. However, residents face the smell of oil for several hours while cleanup crews work to remove the spill. Hampton fire units first responded to the leak in the 2100 block of Minge Drive at 12: 50pm. They notified the business owner who told them the tank had contained from 3,000 to 3,500 gallons of oil. Hampton Fire Department's Hazmat team responded to the scene along with the Virginia Department of Emergency Management, and Department of Environmental Quality. Hampton units worked to control and contain the spread of the oil and eliminated any further environmental damage. VDEM officials hired a contracting crew to clean up the spill. The crews are expected to be on scene for several hours and will work from the area of Lindsey Middle School to Minge Drive. The cause of the spill appears accidental but remains under investigation by the Hampton Fire Marshal's office.

http://www.wavy.com/dpp/news/local_news/crews-work-to-clean-oil-spill

USA, WI, GREEN BAY, OCTOBER 15 2012. AFTER HALF CENTURY, GASOLINE PIPELINE 'JUST KEEPS ON ROLLING'

scott cooper williams

About This Report

Reporter Scott Cooper Williams conducted more than two-dozen interviews over several weeks to get a comprehensive picture of the pipeline system that brings millions of gallons of gasoline to northeastern Wisconsin every day. He reviewed public records from state and federal regulatory agencies, researched the history of the pipeline, pieced together complex ownership changes and spoke with industry insiders about how the energy industry works.

In the spring of 1961, Green Bay residents followed news of a popular new president in Washington, an emerging space race with Russia, and a budding football dynasty here at home under a coach named Vince Lombardi. Garnering little attention, by comparison, was construction of a new underground pipeline to transport gasoline and other petroleum products from Chicago to Green Bay. On April 15, 1961, the Green Bay Press-Gazette reported that crews were installing the pipeline and that it would be working later in the year. "The best available pipe and other material, all new, will go into the system," the newspaper said. For most of the 50 years that followed, the West Shore pipeline operated in obscurity, quietly delivering fuel for motorists not only in Green Bay but throughout Northeastern Wisconsin and beyond. Early projections that the 10-inch-wide pipeline could carry 3 million gallons a day were met, surpassed and doubled — and then doubled again. "That thing was constantly running," said Maurice Valentine, a manager during the 1990s for Amoco Oil, one of several firms to operate terminals in Green Bay, on the receiving end of the pipeline. "Winter, summer — it didn't make any difference, because the pipeline just keeps on rolling," Valentine said. "That was probably as dependable a pipeline as you could find." But something went wrong on the morning of July 17. In a suburban area outside Milwaukee, pipeline operator Buckeye Pipe Line detected signs of a leak. A sudden drop in pressure was followed by a corresponding surge in flow. More than 50,000 gallons spilled. To prevent



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the leak from getting worse, Buckeye crews slammed shut the valves downstream and upstream from the leak site. The West Shore pipeline was out service, and would remain so for four days, cutting off gasoline supplies in northeastern Wisconsin. Pump prices jumped 10 cents a gallon in Green Bay, and Gov. Scott Walker declared an emergency that allowed trucking companies to take extreme measures in seeking out new sources. Investigators later determined that something had caused the pipeline to rupture, with a nearly 9-foot-long crack found along the steel artery in the Washington County town of Jackson. No cause for the rupture has been determined yet. Industry insiders and government regulators say the West Shore pipeline had a solid record for safety and reliability prior to the incident. Although there had been previous instances of leaks and other problems, those incidents have been seen as relatively few and minor, according to regulators. Ted Amman, spill coordinator for the state Department of Natural Resources, said his agency has documented 25 incidents on the West Shore pipeline since the 1970s. But while some were more significant, many were caused by such minor mishaps as homeowners striking the pipeline while digging in their backyards, Amman said. "That's not indicative of a major consistent problem," he said. Buckeye Pipe Line and others involved in the Chicago-to-Green Bay operation will not discuss details of steps taken to maintain the pipeline and comply with regulatory mandates, including a 1988 warning from a federal pipeline safety agency. But Buckeye officials say there was never an indication of the sort of rupture and leak that occurred July 17. "Obviously we had no warning signs," Buckeye safety director Patrick Hodgins said. "If we had, we would've done something to keep this from happening."

Big Investments

Before the West Shore pipeline was built, gasoline arrived in Green Bay mostly on barges. Because harsh winter conditions made icy waterways impassable, large tank farms were established to store a winter's supply of product on the city's industrial north side. But a group of oil companies in 1961 decided that it would be more efficient to pipe gasoline and other petroleum products directly from refineries in the Chicago area. Positioned just three to four feet underground in some locations, the pipeline extends through De Pere and Bellevue before reaching Green Bay's east side and crossing the Fox River beneath the water's surface. According to Press-Gazette reports at the time, the construction project cost between \$19 million and \$22 million. In 1998, West Shore merged with Badger Pipeline and acquired a new pipeline network extending from Chicago to Rockford, Ill., and then north to Madison. According to state regulators, it is one of only two pipeline systems transporting petroleum products to Wisconsin, along with Canadian-owned Enbridge Inc., whose system extends generally from Chicago to Superior. West Shore Pipe Line Co. has attracted a rotating cast of investors over the years and today is owned by a group that, according to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission, includes Buckeye and companies either created by or associated with Exxon, Mobil, Shell, Sunoco and Citgo. Pennsylvania-based Buckeye owns the largest share, 34 percent, and has been the pipeline's operator since 2009. Prior operators included Citgo, which owns a refinery near Chicago, and Amoco, which has since been acquired by BP, formerly known as British Petroleum. Sunoco spokesman Thomas Golembeski said it is not unusual to see oil industry competitors forge alliances for such endeavors as pipelines, in deals frequently worth several million dollars. Through an affiliate spun off from the main company, Sunoco paid \$4 million in 2003 to increase its stake in West Shore from about 9 percent to 12 percent. Later, the company spent another \$7 million to boost its interest in the pipeline to 17 percent. Noting that Sunoco currently has no retail outlets in Wisconsin or Illinois, Golembeski said the pipeline has strategic importance to the company nonetheless. "We view it as a valuable resource," he said. "Otherwise we wouldn't invest in it."

The Product

According to disclosures to federal regulators, West Shore Pipe Line Co. last year reported carrying 154 million barrels of product. At 42 gallons per barrel, that's 6.4 billion gallons, or an average of nearly 18 million gallons a day. The company reported yearly earnings of \$18.4 million on revenues of \$60 million. The report valued West Shore property at \$88 million, although the size of Sunoco's most recent investment suggests the pipeline company could be worth much more. Known as a common carrier pipeline, the West Shore pipeline — apparently named for its location along the western shore of Lake Michigan — transports products owned by other companies. Depending what is in demand, it can switch from gasoline to diesel or other products, timing its deliveries precisely so as to minimize waste and reach the market at the right time. The pipeline is controlled remotely from Buckeye facilities in Pennsylvania and in Wisconsin. The company maintains a station in Green Bay at 2119 N. Quincy Ave. On the receiving end, customers such as those operating terminals in Green Bay must be ready to accept their orders with the same precision. Deliveries are scheduled down to the minute. Once product has arrived and is stored in tanks, truckers line up to fill their rigs and haul the fuel to gas stations, convenience stores or other customers. Greg Klimek, president of Klemm Tank Lines, which has a fleet of 60 trucks in the Green Bay area, said he doubts many people realize the size of the operation that distributes petroleum products from the large white storage tanks along Interstate



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43 on Green Bay's north side. The system provides gasoline to retailers throughout northern Wisconsin and occasionally out of state, Klimek said. "People would be amazed at the amount of produce that comes in," he said. "It's just simply amazing."

An Aging System

The system does not always operate without problems. In 1986, employees accidentally left open a valve during a delivery to Green Bay and allowed more than 200,000 gallons of gasoline to spill into nearby ditches. A faulty tank gauge failed to trigger an alarm. West Shore officials later assured the DNR that the cleanup was a success and that the incident was the first of its kind since the pipeline opened in 1961. "This is an extremely good record," a company official wrote in a letter to the DNR shortly after the incident, "and there is no reason to believe that this record of safe operation will not continue in the future." Similar incidents of valve failures in 2006 and 2009 allowed about 100 gallons to spill each time in the Milwaukee area, DNR records show. In 2004, Dane County officials inspecting a Madison tank farm found underground contamination on West Shore's property. The problem had reached groundwater supplies, and a cleanup plan required West Shore to perform soil borings, which pumps air underground to extract hazardous vapors from the contaminated soil. Wendell Wojner, a project manager for the DNR, said some companies try to escape responsibility in those situations. But West Shore cooperated with the state for several years to fix the problem, Wojner said. "I'm thankful that they're active and involved and willing to do something," he said. Hodgins, the safety director for Buckeye, declined to comment on either incident because both occurred before Buckeye took over as operator of the pipeline. A spokesman for predecessor Citgo also declined to comment, saying all records related to the pipeline were turned over to Buckeye in the transition. The federal agency investigating this summer's breakdown near Milwaukee — the Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration — noted in records of the incident that the federal government in 1988 warned of problems on pipelines similar to West Shore's. The warning stated that several pipelines had failed from corrosion or other problems. The government recommended that pipeline operators "re-evaluate the potential for safety problems" and "carefully review their leak, failure and test history." West Shore tested its pipeline in 1990 and during the test, "one failure occurred due to a crack," records show. Hodgins declined to comment except to say that the pipeline is operated and maintained in strict compliance with all federal rules. The age of Wisconsin's pipeline, now more than 50 years old, is not cause for concern, Hodgins said. He said he has worked with much older infrastructure in the energy industry. "That's not considered old at all," he said. "The maintenance of the pipe — that's what's important." Amman, the DNR spill coordinator, agreed that the West Shore pipeline has been well operated and maintained. But he differed on whether a pipeline's age is insignificant. "This is an infrastructure that's aging," he said. "It's like your car: You're going to have more problems when it's 15 years old than when it's 10."

http://www.htnnews.com/article/20121014/MAN01/310140200/After-half-century-gasoline-pipeline-just-keeps-rolling-?odyssey=nav%7Chead&nclink_check=1

USA, WA, WHIDBEY, OCTOBER 15 2012. UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANK STALLS SKYWARRIOR INSTALLATION ON NORTH WHIDBEY

kathy reed



A backhoe breaks ground for the A-3 Skywarrior Whidbey Memorial Sept. 20 at Ault Field Road and Langley Blvd., near the main gate of NAS Whidbey Island. The discovery of an underground storage tank has put the project on hold.

Work on the A-3 Skywarrior Whidbey Memorial project is in a holding pattern. Construction crews preparing the site for the foundation of the concrete pad upon which the aircraft will eventually rest found more than they bargained for when they started digging. "It's an old underground storage tank," said Bill Burklow of the A-3 Skywarrior Whidbey Memorial Foundation. Construction workers hit the tank Sept. 25, just days after a triumphant groundbreaking. Members of the foundation thought they were within three weeks of getting the "Whale," as the plane is affectionately known, off the Whidbey Island Naval Air Station tarmac and onto its new home at the corner of Ault Field Road and Langley Avenue, near

the main base entrance. The project is now on hold. "The tank is smack dab in the middle of the (concrete) pad," Burklow said. The discovery left the Navy with three options regarding the memorial: The current site could be abandoned; the same site could be used, but the static display would be moved; or construction could be delayed while officials investigate the situation. According to a statement from Navy Public Affairs Officer Kimberly Martin, the Navy has chosen the latter. "The location for



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staging the A-3 Skywarrior static aircraft on loan from the Naval Aviation Museum in Pensacola to NAS Whidbey Island will remain at the corner of Ault Field Road and Langley Blvd.,” Martin said. “During the initial site preparation, an underground storage tank was identified, requiring further investigation before the project can continue.” Navy officials will not speculate on what, if anything, the tank may contain or when it was placed on the property. “That’s what I wanted to happen,” Burklow said of the delay. “Putting (the aircraft) back in the farthest corner of that site by the treelike isn’t doing justice to the 263 men who lost their lives (flying the A-3). “Even the paint scheme was built for that corner so people could see the Skywarrior squadrons involved with the plane coming and going,” he continued. The building formerly located on the site was constructed in 1942 as an enlisted men’s club, according to Martin. It was remodeled in 1970 and served as the civilian personnel department and union lodge. It was demolished and removed in 2008. Martin said the memorial project is now targeted for completion in summer 2013. The delay is disappointing to members of the foundation, who have been working on the project for more than three years. The “Whale” arrived at NAS Whidbey last spring. Foundation members spent several months modifying the aircraft to make it an accurate representation of the A-3s stationed at NASWI from 1957 to 1968. The excitement foundation members felt at the groundbreaking in early September has now given way to resigned anticipation. The only real progress made at the memorial site was the removal of a tree near Ault Field Road. “So the tree is gone and we’ve got a bigger hole,” said Burklow. “We’re just in a holding pattern, is all.” One spot of good news in the delay is that the A-3 Skywarrior Association will hold a reunion in Oak Harbor in August, 2013. If the Navy’s projected schedule holds true, or is accelerated, the A-3 could be in position in time for the reunion. “If all things go right and we don’t pull up any bones or a spotted owl doesn’t nest in a tree, we’ll be back in business,” Burklow said with a laugh. “It could be sooner, it could be later. It all depends.”

<http://www.whidbeynewstimes.com/news/173963231.html>

SAUDI ARABIA, MAKKAH, OCTOBER 15 2012. FUEL TANKER FIRE AT JABAL OMAR PROJECT CONTAINED

nada al-maddah



Civil Defense units douse a fire that broke out in a fuel tanker unloading at the Jabal Omar project in Makkah, Sunday.

A seven-ton diesel truck caught fire when unloading its content via an external pump in the first phase of Jabal Omar project in the central area of Makkah on Sunday. Five Civil Defense units were rushed to the scene to contain the fire at the construction site close to the vicinity of the Grand Mosque complex, which is brimming with hundreds of thousands of pilgrims from all over the world. The fire started in the external pump at the rear of the truck and spread to a wooden scaffolding covering a 16-square meter area. Firefighters succeeded in bringing the blaze under control and preventing it from spreading to other sites and wooden structures within the project. The head of investigations and media spokesman of the Makkah Civil Defense, Col. Ali Al-Muntashery, said preliminary investigations showed that an accidental incident caused an

electrical short circuit in the pump during unloading. No injuries were reported. Safety units in the construction project effectively contributed in limiting the damage from the fire before the Civil Defense units arrived at the scene, Al- Muntashery said.

<http://www.saudigazette.com.sa/index.cfm?method=home.regcon&contentid=20121015139651>

USA, TX, BEAUMONT, OCTOBER 15 2012. OIL TANKER OVERTURNS ON I-10 ACCESS ROAD

sarah moore

A hazardous materials crew responded early Saturday when a tractor-trailer carrying waste oil overturned on an Interstate 10 service road. The accident was reported about 2:30 a.m. on the I 10 service road near Major Drive, according to a [Beaumont Fire Department](#) dispatcher. The haz-mat crew was on scene as a precaution as the oil was off-loaded from the tanker truck. The service road was blocked for several hours, but the Interstate remained open.

<http://www.beaumontenterprise.com/news/article/Oil-tanker-overturms-on-i-10-access-road-3946540.php>



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INDIA, NEW DELHI, OCTOBER 15 2012. FIVE ARRESTED FOR STEALING CRUDE OIL FROM PIPELINES

Five persons were arrested on Saturday for their alleged involvement in theft of crude oil from pipelines in Haryana, police said. Mohd Shamid, Bishan Singh, Mukesh Kumar Gupta, Ashok Kumar Jain and Sunil Tiwari were arrested when they were on their way in an oil tanker to meet their associates in Delhi, they said, adding that the vehicle has been impounded. During interrogation, Mr Samid disclosed that he hails from Samastipur in Bihar and that his gang steals crude oil from pipelines of oil companies. The men used to run dhabas on rent in front of pipeline of oil companies and dig a hole in the pipeline with the help of HDD (Horizontal Drilling Device) machine and fix a valve in the hole, police said. "From that valve they used to connect a pipe and fill a tanker with crude oil. The gang used to later sell the oil with the help of Ashok Kumar Jain and Mukesh Kumar Gupta to a person, namely Dinesh Kumar Shukla, who is an active member of the gang and also provides tanker to the gang," a senior police official said. In 2010, the same gang dug a 170 feet tunnel from a rented godown to an Indian Oil Corporation (IOC) pipeline in Jhajjar, Haryana and fixed a plastic pipe for stealing oil. The plastic pipe, which passed through residential area and agricultural land, later got damaged and crude oil started seeping from cracks. The gang had then fled away from their rented godown when they came to know about this.

<http://www.ndtv.com/article/cities/five-arrested-for-stealing-crude-oil-from-pipelines-279334>

USA, WA, SEATTLE, FIERY COLLISION AT BALLARD GAS STATION CAUGHT ON VIDEO

 [Watch the Video](#) [Fiery Collision at Gas Station](#)



A car backed into a gas pump at the Ballard 76 gas station early Monday morning, knocking the pump to the ground and sparking a fire. "My clerk went outside, shut off the pumps and called 911," explained owner Bobby Sangar. "If we were one or two minutes later, it could have blown up the whole place." Firefighters arrived at the scene along 15th Ave. and 57th St. minutes later, dousing the remaining flames. Video from a security camera shows a red Surburban slamming into the pump and driving away. "I'm sure he knew that it caught on fire," Sangar said, explaining that a friend of the clerk — seen running in the video — yelled at the driver. "And still, he did not stop." Sangar posted the links to [two YouTube clips](#) from the gas station's security cameras [in the My Ballard forum](#). One clip shows the collision (above), the other shows a man inside the store buying a pack of cigarettes. "There was only one customer at

the time," Sangar said. "We need to find this guy." A nearby Seattle Police officer arrived less than a minute after the incident, and Sangar says he took a report but has yet to follow up on the case. My Ballard has reached out to Seattle Police for more details on the investigation. As far as we know, the customer in the video is not suspected of any crime. While insurance is covering the cost of replacing the pump, Sangar said the collision damaged underground pipes, which forced him to close all the pumps since the incident. "It's costing me a lot of money," he said. "We're losing a lot of business." Workers are busy today with repairs, and Sangar expects some of the pumps will get back up and running this weekend. The store remains open.

<http://www.myballard.com/2012/10/13/fiery-collision-at-gas-station-caught-on-video/>

SPAIN, A CORUNA, OCTOBER 15 2012. PRESTIGE OIL DISASTER TRIAL STARTS IN SPAIN

Seamen go on trial Tuesday over the sinking of the Prestige petrol tanker which spilt a devastating oil slick when it sank off Spain in 2002, with hundreds of plaintiffs seeking billions in damages. Authorities have set up a court in an exhibition centre for the huge trial in the northern city of A Coruna, which environmentalists say does not go far enough in seeking justice for Spain's worst oil slick and preventing such a disaster occurring again. Apostolos Mangouras, 78, the Prestige's Greek captain, is charged alongside two other officers and a Spanish official over the disaster, which saw miles of beach in Spain, Portugal and France choked by oil. Prosecutors are demanding 12 years' jail for Mangouras, who is charged with harming the environment along with Greek chief engineer Nikolaos Argyropoulos and first mate Irineo Maloto, a Filipino who has not been apprehended. The fourth defendant is Jose Luis Lopez-Sors, head of the Spanish merchant navy at the time, who ordered the ship out to sea when it was losing fuel. "The total demand for damages is more than 2.2 billion euros," a court official said, adding that there are 55 separate cases being brought by some 1,500 plaintiffs. The total cost of the environmental damage wrought by the oil slick has been calculated at more than four billion euros, most of it for the Spanish state. The Prestige



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leaked 50,000 tonnes of fuel into the Atlantic after it sank off northern Spain. It took on water in a storm on November 13, 2002, and drifted for six days before breaking up and sinking. Over the weeks that followed, the vast oil slick engulfed thousands of kilometres (miles) of coastline, prompting 300,000 volunteers from around Europe to come and clean it up. Environmental groups complained that key people responsible for the disaster were not being tried and warned that the lessons from the disaster had not been learnt. "There will clearly be people missing from the dock," said Jaime Doreste, a lawyer for the Spanish non-government group Environmentalists in Action. "They could have been much more ambitious with the prosecutions," he added. "Lopez-Sors did not act unilaterally. The chain of decision-making went up to higher political officials." He said charges should be brought against ABS, the marine classification company that certified the Prestige as seaworthy, and complained that such single-hull tankers are still being used to transport petrol. Doreste warned that the full health and environmental effects of the oil slick had not been made public. A study published by Spanish researchers in 2010 said fishermen that participated in the clean-up suffered genetic and lung problems. "We are shouting: never again," said Theo Oberhuber, a campaign leader of Environmentalists in Action. "We are wondering when measures will be taken that will really prevent this from happening again." After three days of procedural matters this week, the defendants are due to make their first appearance in the trial on November 13, the 10th anniversary of the disaster. The trial is due to last until May 2013 and will hear testimony from 133 witnesses and 100 experts, the court said.

http://www.expatica.com/es/news/spanish-news/prestige-oil-disaster-trial-starts-in-spain_247153.html

AUSTRALIA, QUEENSLAND, CAIRNS, OCTOBER 15 2012. MSQ PROBES CAIRNS MARINA FUEL SPILL

kirsty nancarrow

[Map: Cairns 4870](#)

Maritime Safety Queensland (MSQ) is investigating a fuel spill that affected the Cairns Marina and Trinity Inlet at the weekend. More than 100 litres of diesel spilled from the boat on Saturday night and Ports North coordinated a clean-up yesterday morning. A MSQ spokeswoman says it cannot comment on the spill or potential penalties because it is under investigation. Ports North says the operation to clear up the diesel spill is complete. Four boats worked to disperse the spill. Fellow boat owners have raised concerns about the speed of the response to the spill and its impact on mangroves and the Great Barrier Reef Marine Park.

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2012-10-15/msq-probes-cairns-marina-fuel-spill/4313766?section=gld>

USA, PA, STROUDSBURG, OCTOBER 15 2012. FUEL SPILL CLEARED AT STROUDSBURG GAS STATION



Ron LaBar of Schlier's sprays soap on the ground while fellow employee Rich Guttman operates machinery to clean the site of a diesel fuel spill Monday morning at the A Plus Sunoco gas station at Park Avenue and Barry Street in Stroudsburg. A tractor trailer for Western Freighting in Denver, Colo., busted open a fuel tank while pulling into the gas station from Interstate 80.

A fuel spill was cleaned up this morning at a gas station on Park Avenue in Stroudsburg. A tractor-trailer ripped open its saddle tank at the Sunoco gas station this morning, spilling fuel and closing down a portion of Park Avenue. Police responded to a call at 5:56 a.m. for a spill at the Sunoco gas station on

Park Avenue across from Interstate 80 entrance/exit 307. A tractor trailer belonging to Western Freightways out of Denver, Colo. appeared to have bottomed out as it turned into the station's entrance on Barry Street, tearing the fuel tank. Diesel fuel spilled throughout the station and between the filling tanks. A HAZMAT crew from Monroe County Emergency Management was on the scene. Absorbent was spread on the spilled fuel. Mechanics completing repairs to the tank and a tow truck from Schlier's Towing removed the damaged tractor trailer. The incident was cleaned up by about 10 a.m. There were no injuries in the incident.

<http://www.pocorecord.com/apps/pbcs.dll/article?AID=/20121015/NEWS/121019891/-1/NEWS01>

ENGLAND, MANCHESTER, OCTOBER 16 2012. BOY HURT IN MANCHESTER FIREWORK EXPLOSION

An eleven year-old boy from Manchester is being treated in hospital after suffering injuries caused when a firework exploded in his hand. Firefighters from Philips Park and Gorton were called to Warnford Close in Newton Heath just after 5pm on Sunday, October 14. Watch Manager Paul Fearnhead said: "The boy was fairly distressed - he had found the four-inch long firework in



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the street and it exploded in his hand at home without him lighting it. "He injured two fingers on his left hand through the explosive force and he had an injury on his lip and above his right eye from shrapnel flying in his face. "He was being treated by paramedics and was taken to hospital fairly quickly." Fireworks go on sale legally from today, Monday, October 15. Area Manager Dave Keelan, Greater Manchester Fire and Rescue Service's Head of Prevention, said: "As Bonfire Night approaches we want everyone to enjoy it safely and it is regrettable that this young man has been injured in this way. "Our firefighters and community safety teams are visiting schools to talk to children about the dangers fireworks present and we are encouraging everyone to only go to organised bonfire events.

– Area Manager Dave Keelan, Greater Manchester Fire & Rescue Service.

<http://www.itv.com/news/granada/2012-10-15/boy-hurt-in-manchester-firework-explosion/>

CANADA, N.S, DARTMOUTH, OCTOBER 16 2012. FUEL TANKER CRASH IN BURNSIDE CAUSES DELAYS

 **Watch the Video** [Fuel Tanker Crashes](#)

A crash between a pickup truck and a fuel truck caused traffic delays in Dartmouth on Monday morning. The accident happened at the intersection of Burnside Drive and Akerley Boulevard just before 7 a.m. The driver of the Seaboard Transport fuel truck told CBC News he was going through a green light and was cut off by the blue Ford Ranger, which was hit. The driver of the Ford Ranger was taken to hospital with minor injuries. The scene was cleared up in less than an hour.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/nova-scotia/story/2012/10/15/ns-truck-accident-burnside.html>

USA, IN, SULLIVAN CO, OCTOBER 16 2012. MONDAY CRASH IN SULLIVAN INVOLVING A PROPANE TRUCK

A semi crash around 9 this morning and Sullivan County Sheriffs Deputies are not looking for the small pick-up that caused it. The semi was carrying a full load of propane when it overturned on C.R. 300 West just south of C.R. 100 South in Sullivan County. Police say that a Toyota pickup swerved toward the tanker, which caused the tanker driver to turn towards the shoulder to avoid the collision. After the pickup corrected itself it kept going but the semi lost control and over turned. The semi driver received minor injuries, but rescuers were forced to extricate him by cutting off the top of the semi-cab. The truck did not leak and there were no other reported problems.

<http://wibqfm.com/news/articles/2012/oct/15/monday-crash-in-sullivan-involving-a-propane-truck/>

CANADA, B.C, FORT ST. JOHN, OCTOBER 16 2012. WORKER BURNED IN METHANOL TANK EXPLOSION



The Safety Association for Canada's
Upstream Oil and Gas Industry

Safety Alert ISSUE #: 14-2012

Description of Incident:

- An operator was checking the level in a 500 gallon methanol storage tank
- Tank was polyethylene plastic, double wall
- A worker climbed on top of the tank. Flammable vapour was ignited, when the worker touched the cap on the inner tank, resulting in an explosion and flash fire.
- The worker received first aid for a second degree burn to the arm

What Caused It:

- The worker accumulated an electrostatic charge, when positioned on top of the tank
- Flammable methanol/air mixture developed inside the inner tank or interstitial space
- It was 18 degrees Celsius at the time of the incident and methanol has a flash point of 11 degrees Celsius
- Level inside the tank was low (less than 10 percent of total volume)
- Plastic is nonconductive and difficult to ground, and not recommended to store flammable liquids (as per [API RP 2003](#))

Corrective/Preventive Actions:

- Update procedures for tank inspections, maintenance, and filling
- Under no circumstances is climbing on top of a tank permitted
- Install sight glass and piping to allow for filling from the ground level, with stinger extending to the bottom of the tank to prevent splash filling



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- If it is necessary to open the tank cap, a personal ground strap must be worn in combination with gauntlet style gloves. Platforms to be provided if necessary.

Long Term Action Plan:

- Evaluate the suitability of plastic tanks for storage of flammable fluids such as methanol

http://www.enform.ca/safety_resources/safety_alerts/Safety_Alerts.aspx

JAPAN, TOKYO, OCTOBER 16 2012. SEVEN & I SETTING UP NEW DELAWARE CORPORATION



SEJ Asset Management & Investment will use capital to support 7-Eleven U.S. expansion. Seven & i Holdings Co. Ltd., the Tokyo-based parent company of 7-Eleven Inc., is establishing a new company incorporated in the state of Delaware. Seven-Eleven Japan Co. Ltd., a wholly owned subsidiary of Seven & i, will establish SEJ Asset Management & Investment, which will use its capital to support the business expansion initiatives of 7-Eleven in the United States. Dallas-based 7-Eleven Inc. is taking steps to expand its operations and increase its revenues and profits, Seven & i said. To support those initiatives, Seven-Eleven Japan has decided to establish a new company to strengthen the 7-Eleven system in North America. The board of directors of Seven & i adopted a resolution calling for the establishment of the new company at a meeting held on October 4. 7-Eleven Inc. did not respond to a request by CSP Daily News for comment by press time. To establish the new company, Seven-Eleven Japan will make an investment in kind

of all of its holdings of 7-Eleven Inc., stock, and will receive common stock and preferred stock issued by the new company. In addition, Seven-Eleven Japan will invest cash in the new company. Plans call for the new company to acquire the preferred stock from Seven-Eleven Japan after the new company is established. SEJ Asset Management & Investment's president and CEO is Ryoji Sakai (director and managing executive officer of Seven-Eleven Japan). Its principal businesses will be the management of tangible and intangible fixed assets received from 7-Eleven Inc. and leasing operations related to 7-Eleven Inc. It has assets of \$2.611 billion. Seven & I said that it expects the influence on consolidated results for the fiscal year ending February 2013 to be minimal, but this establishment is expected to contribute to profits over the medium to long term. 7-Eleven Inc. operates, franchises or licenses approximately 9,500 7-Eleven stores in North America. Globally, there are some 48,000 7-Eleven stores in 16 countries. During 2011, 7-Eleven stores worldwide generated total sales close to \$76.6 billion. Seven & i is a Japanese diversified retail group, now the fifth largest retailer in the world, with 35,000 stores in approximately 100 countries.

<http://tinyurl.com/8zcr497>

SPAIN, GALICIA, A CORUÑA, OCTOBER 16 2012. EXPOSURE TO 'PRESTIGE' FUEL CAUSES SHORT-TERM DAMAGE TO RAT DNA

An experiment carried out on rodents exposed to fuel similar to that of the Prestige tanker oil spill -- which took place nearly a decade ago -- shows that inhalation of the fuel causes damage to genetic material. According to the study, led by the University of A Coruña, the results could be used in relation to people who carry out the industrial cleaning of coasts. On Nov. 19, 2012, it will be ten years since the sinking of the Prestige, which caused one of Spain's largest ecological disasters. The oil spill reached the coasts of Galicia and the rest of the Cantabrian coast, right up to the Landes area of France and Portugal. Thousands of people aided in the cleaning of the contaminated beaches and were exposed to the fuel for prolonged periods. In order to confirm the effects of such exposure on the health of human beings in this and other circumstances, a team of researchers from the University of A Coruña carried out an experiment using two different strains of rat and a respiratory chamber especially designed to create fuel exposure. For two hours a day, five days a week, the animals were exposed to a fuel similar in composition to that of the Prestige oil spill. This study has now been published in the Journal of Toxicology and Environmental Health. "Induced damage to genetic material and the development of different respiratory ailments has been previously been seen in people who took part in the oil spill cleanup effort," Vanessa Valdiglesias, researcher at the Toxicology Unit of the University of A Coruña, explains. The former institution, along with the Institute of Biomedical Research of A Coruña, has already tried to describe the effects of the oil spill on people's health. "Nevertheless," continues Valdiglesias, "in these studies, the environmental exposure measures were scarce or nonexistent, which made it difficult to attribute the



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observed effects directly to fuel exposure." The new study of rats shows a direct link between respiratory exposure to compounds discharged by the fuel and damage to genetic material. In order to analyse the possible alterations to the DNA and its repair processes, the researchers took blood samples from each animal and carried out cytogenic tests. The results were clear: exposure to fuel through inhalation causes damage to the DNA of both types of rat -- both of which differed in susceptibility to the compounds of the fuel -- and also alters DNA repair processes.

Inhalation in Petrol Stations, Wells & Refineries

The research group evaluated the damage to the DNA on a global scale, and more specifically looked at oxidative damage, with the aim of guiding decisions regarding diagnosis and therapy in the care of those affected by fuel exposure, whatever the circumstances. "This involves those professionals carrying out their occupational duty in extraction wells, refineries, petrol stations etc, as well as those who aid the cleanup efforts following oil spills," the main author explains. Valdiglesias proposes to inform people properly of the health risk which such exposure carries. "I believe coordination and general organisation of cleanup activities in affected zones is also relevant," she continues. In her opinion, however, the most important thing is to follow the instructions given by the professionals when it comes to the protective gear which should be worn in each case -- such as the use of masks, gloves and overalls -- and the correct way of wearing these items. It must be borne in mind that certain higher risk groups, such as children, pregnant women and those suffering from cardiorespiratory illnesses "should avoid exposure to fuel as much as possible," Valdiglesias concludes.

<http://esciencenews.com/articles/2012/10/15/exposure.prestige.fuel.causes.short.term.damage.rat.dna>

AUSTRALIA, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, PERTH, OCTOBER 17 2012. DRIVERS WARNED OF VOLATILE GOODS THREAT

Motorists carrying small quantities of dangerous goods are being warned by the Department of Mining and Petroleum (DMP) to take extra care. Cooking gas, pool chemicals, fuels and cleaning agents could produce a dangerous combination if in the same vicinity. A woman received serious burns in 2010 after lighting a cigarette while driving in a vehicle that was transporting plastic jerry cans. The DMP's director of dangerous goods, Phil Hine, says members of the public must be aware of what could happen in a worst-case scenario. "Most of the time nothing bad happens so there's a degree of apathy or a she'll be right attitude, so our message here is don't be silly about it but take precautions and don't take unnecessary risks," he said. "The theme for our campaign is 'separate and ventilate' and the idea there is to keep chemicals apart. "We don't need to be too clever about that, just assume that different chemicals shouldn't mix and that's a safer assumption."

<http://www.abc.net.au/news/2012-10-18/drivers-warned-to-take-care-transporting-volatile/4320870?§ion=news>

GERMANY, OCTOBER 16 2012. IRAN'S SECRET PLAN TO CONTAMINATE THE STRAIT OF HORMUZ >> CODENAME 'MURKY WATER'



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Oil tankers in the Strait of Hormuz.

Iran could be planning to create a vast oil spill in the Strait of Hormuz, according to a top secret report obtained by Western intelligence officials. The aim of the operation is to both temporarily block the vital shipping channel and to force a suspension of Western sanctions. If there is a man who brings together all the fears of the West, it is General Mohammed Ali Jafari, commander of the Iranian Revolutionary Guards. Hardened by torture in the prisons of the former Shah,

Jafari was among the students who stormed the US Embassy in Tehran on Nov. 4, 1979. He later fought in the Iran-Iraq War, and in 2007 Jafari, who has a degree in architecture, assumed command of the Revolutionary Guards, also known as the Pasdaran. The group, founded by revolutionary leader Ayatollah Ruhollah Khamenei to defend the Islamic regime, has since developed into a state within the state. Today the Pasdaran control several companies and are likely a more effective military force than the regular army. Of the 21 ministers in the Iranian cabinet, 13 have completed Pasdaran training. Within this group of hardliners, Jafari, 55, is seen being particularly unyielding. In 2009, for example, he declared that Iran would fire missiles at Israel's nuclear research center in Dimona if the Israelis attacked Iran's nuclear facilities -- knowing full well that such an attack would result in several thousand deaths on both sides. Now Jafari and his supporters are allegedly preparing new potential horrors. Western intelligence agencies have acquired a plan marked "top secret" and code-named "Murky Water." Together



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with Ali Fadawi, an admiral in the Pasdaran, Jafari is thought to have proposed a senseless act of sabotage: to intentionally cause an environmental catastrophe in the Strait of Hormuz.

Expression of Growing Frustration

The goal of the plan seems to be that of contaminating the strait so as to temporarily close the important shipping route for international oil tankers, thereby "punishing" the Arab countries that are hostile to Iran and forcing the West to join Iran in a large-scale cleanup operation -- one that might require the temporary suspension of sanctions against Tehran. Western intelligence experts speculate that Jafari's planned operation is an expression of growing frustration. Contrary to claims made by Iranian Foreign Minister Ali Akbar Salehi in an interview with SPIEGEL last week, the embargo imposed on Tehran is causing far more than "discomfort." Iran derives more than 50 percent of its government revenue from oil exports, which declined from about 2.4 million barrels a day in July 2011 to about 1 million barrels in July 2012. But Iran has only cut back production by less than a quarter, because of the technical complexity and expense involved in temporarily capping wells. Iran can hardly sell its oil because of the embargo. Even countries that don't feel bound to uphold the sanctions are shying away from deals, because no one wants to insure the oil shipments. The storage tanks on the Iranian mainland have been full for some time, and there are no neighboring countries to which Tehran's leaders would entrust their treasure. For weeks now, tankers have been carrying 40 million barrels of oil through the Gulf around the clock. Most of the giant 15 VLCC supertankers and five smaller Suezmax ships, sailing under the Iranian flag, have switched off their automatic identification system. This makes it more difficult for foreign spies to detect them, but it also increases the risk of accidents. Countries bordering the Gulf have apparently complained to Tehran about the risky practice several times.

The Final Decisions

Jafari's plan allegedly describes in detail how a massive environmental catastrophe could be created if, for example, the Iranians were to steer one of these supertankers onto a rock. During the 1991 Gulf War, then Iraqi dictator Saddam Hussein had millions of barrels of oil dumped into the Gulf. The fishing industry in Gulf countries was shut down for months, and the ecological damage was felt for years to come. In 1994 and 1998, accidental oil spills threatened desalination plants in the United Arab Emirates and Saudi Arabia, thereby imperiling fresh water supplies for the two countries. According to the Pasdaran leadership, if there were a tanker disaster today, the International Compensation Fund for Oil Pollution Damage would have to step in financially. But a decontamination effort would only be possible with the technical assistance of Iranian authorities, which would require lifting the embargo, at least temporarily. Iranian oil companies, some owned by members of the Pasdaran, could even benefit from the cleanup program. Jafari's plan also foresees the Iranian people rallying around the government in such a situation, pushing Tehran's failing economic policy into the background. The "Murky Water" sabotage plan is currently thought to be in the hands of religious leader Ayatollah Ali Khamenei. He makes the final decisions.

<http://www.spiegel.de/international/world/iranians-planning-to-create-environmental-catastrophe-in-hormuz-strait-a-861343.html>

USA, CA, SAN FRANCISCO, OCTOBER 17 2012. ENVIRONMENTALISTS SUE CALIFORNIA TO STOP FRACKING

the state of California on Tuesday in an effort to stop hydraulic fracturing as regulators attempt to devise new rules for the controversial oil and gas extraction practice. The lawsuit accuses the regulator, the California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas, and Geothermal Resources, with failing to evaluate the risks, even though fracking was used for more than 600 wells in the state last year. Fracking, or pumping chemical-laced water and sand into a well to open cracks that release oil and gas, has generated a fierce debate across the country, leading to bans in one state and several municipalities. Yet the industry insists the practice is safe so long as wells are properly built. A non-profit environmental law firm, Earthjustice, filed the lawsuit in Alameda County Superior Court on behalf of the Center for Biological Diversity, Earthworks, Environmental Working Group and the Sierra Club. "Public outcry has finally forced the Department to take a look at fracking," Earthjustice attorney George Torgun said in a statement. "They've held workshops and say they're considering regulations. But the problem needs attention now before too much damage is done." In July, the Department of Conservation hosted several workshops to discuss potential regulation in anticipation of increased horizontal drilling in the state, which combined with fracking has unlocked oil and gas reservoirs around the country. Given the public scrutiny, new rules are not expected to be finalized until mid-2013, officials said, though a draft set of rules are expected soon. State legislation to halt fracking, however, has so far received little support. John Krohn, spokesman for oil and gas industry group Energy In Depth, pointed to the regulators' new rules on fracking and also said that California already had strict oil and gas rules that protect groundwater. "But fringe environmental groups will not settle for anything less than a ban, which is why they are taking the regulators to court," he



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said in a statement. The lawsuit acknowledged that fracking had been taking place in California oil wells since the 1950s, but the plaintiffs asked that the regulator not allow any more fracking until it has prepared "programmatic" environmental impact reports to cover the practice in various types of wells around the state. The case is Center for Biological Diversity et al v California Department of Conservation, Division of Oil, Gas and Geothermal Resources, Cas no. RG12652054, in Alameda County Superior Court, Oakland, CA.

<http://www.chicagotribune.com/sns-rt-fracking-californialawsuit-update-11e8lgne2-20121016.0,1630241,full.story>

CANADA, MB, WINNIPEG'S ST. BONIFACE, OCTOBER 17 2012. MAN. OFFICIALS WEIGH CHANGES AFTER BIOFUEL PROCESSOR BURNS >> WINNIPEG PLANT FIRE CONSIDERED SPONTANEOUS COMBUSTION

A spectacular fire that destroyed Manitoba's first licensed commercial biodiesel plant has the province's fire commissioner pondering changes to the way such facilities are inspected. Manitoba's Office of the Fire Commissioner on Friday said it's completed its investigation of the Oct. 1 blaze at Speedway International, in an industrial-zoned area of Winnipeg's St. Boniface district, and ruled the fire to be accidental. The fire is believed to have started due to "spontaneous combustion of an oily substance" in the plant's filter press area, the commissioner's office said in a statement. Speedway produced oilseed-based biodiesel as well as methanol for use in high-performance racecars. Storage or disposal of oily rags in piles at industrial plants can allow them to self-heat, or the process could have been "accelerated due to heat created from industrial processes like equipment operation or friction," the OFC said, noting piles of straw, coal, grass clippings or manure can spontaneously combust. The OFC said it will now work with the province's fire safety inspection subcommittee "to consider whether there should be any changes (or mandated time frames) for inspections of these, or similar types of industrial facilities." The subcommittee includes representatives from the OFC, fire departments from Winnipeg and other centres and the Association of Manitoba Municipalities. "Municipal involvement is critical because enforcement of the fire code, and responsibility for zoning, rests with each municipality," the OFC said.

Canola Oil

During the Oct. 1 fire, large fireballs were seen rising on columns of black smoke at the plant, forcing firefighters to work from a safety perimeter of 800 metres. Fire officials also set up a one-kilometre perimeter west of the plant, from within which about 100 homes and businesses were evacuated for several hours. The company had set up its Winnipeg shop in 1998, before the province began providing per-litre production incentives to biodiesel makers in 2009. Speedway, before the fire, had capacity to produce 20 million litres of biodiesel per year, along with other biofuel products. In a separate release Friday, Speedway owner Royce Rostecki said he wanted "to assure the public the fire they witnessed was burning canola M.E. (methyl esters), which (are) derived from long-chain fatty acids of canola oil, and not dangerous goods or hazardous materials." The company quoted investigators as confirming "no petroleum products were improperly stored and no railcars had been breached or lost product in the fire," and that all railcars containing methanol were "completely unaffected." Speedway said Friday it plans to rebuild its core business of "primarily water-based automotive products," but won't rebuild biodiesel operations on the St. Boniface property. Winnipeg fire officials on Oct. 2 estimated the total damage to the facility to be worth about \$15 million.

<http://www.manitobacooperator.ca/news/man-officials-weigh-changes-after-biofuel-processor-burns/1001767560/>

AUSTRALIA, NEW SOUTH WALES, PENRITH, OCTOBER 17 2012. MAN ALLEGEDLY SET PETROL BOWSERS ALIGHT

A man is due to appear in court later today after he allegedly set several petrol bowsers alight in Penrith overnight. Police will allege the 29-year-old man went to a service station on High Street about 7.45pm yesterday and demanded cash, but the attendant refused and the man sprayed fluid over several petrol bowsers, setting them alight. The man then allegedly went into a supermarket and threatened staff he'd set fire to bottles of citronella oil. He then allegedly went into an adjoining liquor store and threatened to set fire to the oil, before being handed cash and he ran from the store. The man was apprehended by security staff and held until police arrived and arrested him. The man was taken to Penrith Police Station where he was charged with:

- Damage property by fire/explosive with intent to injure; and,
- Robbery while armed with an offensive weapon (three counts).
- He was refused bail to appear in Penrith Local Court later today.

<http://www.heraldsun.com.au/news/national/man-allegedly-set-petrol-bowsers-alight/story-fndo317g-1226496958404>



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