



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

USA, MA, BOSTON, OCTOBER 27 2012. BOSTON CREWS RESPOND TO HAZMAT SITUATION AT GAS STATION



Patrons at a Boston gas station got an unwelcome car wash on Thursday night after an overhead fire extinguishing system was accidentally set off. Boston Fire officials tell FOX 25 a release button was mistakenly pushed inside an office at Prime Gas Station on the corner of Adams Street and Gallivan Boulevard. That resulted in the release of a dry powder-type system. Three drivers were evaluated by Boston EMS at the scene. They are all reportedly okay following the incident. A cleanup crew was sent to the scene to wash down the entire area, including the three cars.

<http://www.myfoxboston.com/story/19920091/2012/10/25/boston-crews-respond-to-hazmat-situation-at-gas-station>

USA, N.M, ALBUQUERQUE, OCTOBER 27 2012. NM OIL REFINERY TO PAY \$400K FINE OVER EXPLOSION

 **Watch the Video** [Settlement Reached in Refinery Accident](#)

An oil refinery in New Mexico will pay a \$400,000 fine in a settlement over safety violations stemming from an explosion that killed two employees and injured two others in 2010, authorities said Friday. The [New Mexico Environment Department](#) and Navajo Refining of Artesia entered a settlement agreement for citations issued by the department's [Occupational Safety and Health Administration](#). The explosion occurred on March 2, 2010, when employees of Northwest Insulation of Texas were performing welding operations on top of a storage tank at the refinery in the southeastern New Mexico community of Artesia. A welder ignited vapors from flammable liquids within the tank, according to investigators. The resulting explosion ripped open the top of the tank. The ensuing fire burned for more than an hour before it was extinguished. Authorities said all four victims were Northwest employees and the two workers killed were Texas men. OSHA officials said Navajo Refining doesn't admit fault, but agreed to settle for the fine. A call to Navajo Refinery's parent company in Dallas for comment wasn't immediately returned Friday. "The hazards of welding on or near petroleum storage tanks, as well as methods for preventing associated accidents, are well known within the industry," [Robert Genoway](#), acting bureau chief for New Mexico OSHA, said in a statement. "This type of hazard has resulted in far too many inexcusable accidents and deaths in New Mexico and nationwide." New Mexico OSHA cited both Navajo Refining and Northwest Insulation for violations that included failing to properly inspect the work area prior to welding, failing to instruct employees on methods for determining the presence of flammables, and permitting the employees to weld in an area where flammable liquids and vapors were present. The state's case against Northwest was settled in January 2011. Both companies have provided documentation of actions taken to abate all violations. The refinery is subject to a follow-up inspection.

<http://www.sfgate.com/news/texas/article/NM-oil-refinery-to-pay-400K-fine-over-explosion-3985045.php>

USA, OH, COLUMBUS, OCTOBER 27 2012. 10 INVESTIGATES FINDS CONTINUING PROBLEMS, RISKS OF AGING GASLINE EXPLOSIONS



Tennessee Gas Pipeline's parent company says safety is its first priority. Even so, 10 Investigates found a pattern of problems, such as a fire breathing menace sleeping just under the soil of a quiet patch of Columbiana County farmland. On February 10 2011, it thundered to life. "It was just a roar," said Richard Zehentbauer. The 36 inch Tennessee mainline blew and belched flames hundreds of feet into the air. It warped steel, charred trees and took aim at Zehentbauer's home. "Like the corner posts, those were vinyl. It melted those," he said. Zehentbauer was a few miles from home when the line erupted, but his kids and wife were home. He was talking to her on the phone as it happened.

Zehentbauer saw the blast and the phone went dead. "It was scary. It was really scary," he recalled. Zehentbauer's family made it out alive, but he lost a cow and sustained serious property damage. The pipe blasted through several feet of concrete



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

casing and left a pair of craters in the road. Company officials in Texas ordered an investigation, and a report pinpointed the cause. It was a crack where two pieces of pipe come together which is called a girth weld. The report also noted that the pipe was constructed in 1963, and at that time, according to the report, inspections "were not required." 10 Investigates has learned the Columbiana line is not the only Tennessee Gas line to have problems. WBNS-10TV has uncovered three incidents in Ohio last year alone, and serious problems in other parts of the country around the same time. 10 Investigates searched volumes and volumes of technical reports and government action orders. WBNS-10TV found that in November 2010, a 30 inch Tennessee pipe ruptured in Natchitoches, Louisiana. Just a couple of months after that, the explosion on Zehentbauer's farm rocked Columbiana County. Within three weeks, another stretch of that very same line ruptured in Guernsey County. Then, in November, the same line caused that huge explosion near Glouster. Just five days later, there was another explosion of a Tennessee Gas line in Batesville, Mississippi blew. "That concerns me," said Cathy Sayer. Sayer and her husband John lost their farm when the line blew near Glouster. "We were fortunate no one got killed out here. There are sitting ducks out there just waiting for this to happen," she said. Her concern is based on federal reports obtained by 10 Investigates. The documents show a pipeline with pieces constructed in the 1940s. In Ohio, the line was built in the 50s and 60s. In all three Ohio cases last year, problems developed along the "girth welds." Those welds were made when inspections were "not required." A report written for the company about the Glouster explosion said that the contributing factors for this failure are best described by the conditions relative to the girth weld procedures and practices in place at the time of construction. These conditions resulted in the formation of a crack that was produced at the time of construction. The report also said that without the girth weld crack, "the landslide likely could have resulted in a pipeline failure at a later time" 10 Investigates asked the pipeline company to comment about the findings on camera. WBNS-10TV even went to the company's headquarters in Houston, Texas, but, the company declined our invitation. A spokesman from the company sent a statement. It said in part, "each incident involves different root cause factors. (Tennessee Gas Pipeline) is committed to determining and implementing appropriate mitigation measures to prevent similar incidents from occurring....we have had no failures on our system where age has been identified as a cause." Texas-based pipeline expert Don Deaver is one of the few willing to openly criticize the industry and sometimes gets paid as an expert in trials against pipeline companies. Regardless of what other factors might have contributed to the pipeline failures, Deaver said the pattern of failed girth welds 10 Investigates has uncovered reveals a serious issue. "This is definitely a pattern that has to be addressed. This is not just something random and is unpredictable. It's a pattern existing with these pipelines," said Deaver. "You've got three type of girth weld failures in kind of a region, there's got to be a reason for concern." Deaver said each as the pipes continue to age, the threat gets worse. "There is a risk, no doubt. There's a risk to public safety out there. And it's going to get worse before it gets better, unless corrective action is taken."

<http://www.10tv.com/content/stories/2012/10/25/columbiana-county-10-investigates-pipeline-concerns.html>

MEXICO, CIUDAD NEZAHUALCÓYOTL, SANTA MARÍA EJIDOS DE SAN AGUSTÍN, OCTOBER 27 2012. 4 DEAD, 3 INJURED IN EXPLOSION AT MEXICO FIREWORKS FACTORY

Four people died and three were injured in an explosion at a fireworks factory in the central Mexican town of Ejidos de Santa Maria y San Agustín, officials said. The Public Safety Secretariat in the state of Mexico said in a communique that the number of dead and injured could change. The agency said that a first explosion occurred at the factory on Thursday when workers were making fireworks, but later there was a second blast that encompassed the gunpowder storeroom and warehouse. Authorities said that two people were killed at the scene of the accident, another succumbed when taken to hospital for treatment, while a third died Thursday night of the injuries suffered. Another three people were badly burned. "The causes of the explosions are still unknown and it will be up to the corresponding ministry authority to report on any progress made in the investigation into the incident," the communique said. It added that this factory was officially registered with the Defence Secretariat.

<http://latino.foxnews.com/latino/news/2012/10/26/4-dead-3-injured-in-explosion-at-mexico-fireworks-factory/>

CHINA, LINGCHUAN CO, OCTOBER 27 2012. TRUCK CARRYING LIQUID BENZENE OVERTURNS IN SHANXI

According to the Beijing Evening News a truck carrying benzene overturned in Shanxi province on Thursday morning. The truck, which was carrying 29.36 tons of crude benzene, fell into a ditch along the road in Lingchuan county at about 4 am. The vehicle was damaged when it overturned. Crude liquid benzene is a chemical that can harm the human brain, skin, lungs and nervous system. Rescuers headed quickly to the site to deal with the leakage, according to the report.

http://europe.chinadaily.com.cn/china/2012-10/25/content_15847447.htm



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

BELGIUM, BRUSSELS, OCTOBER 27 2012. BELGIAN PROSECUTORS STUDY MURDER OF EXXON EXECUTIVE

robert-jan bartunek

Belgian prosecutors are investigating the murder of a British oil executive who was shot and killed in unexplained circumstances in front of his wife as they walked to their car after dinner at an Italian restaurant in Brussels. Nicholas Mockford, who worked for U.S. oil giant ExxonMobil, was shot on October 14 after an evening meal, but prosecutors declined to say if they were investigating the case as a possible contract killing. A woman who lived opposite where the couple had parked their car told Reuters she had heard three shots and then called the police. When she went out to investigate, she recognized Mockford's wife as a customer of her husband's hairdresser. "She was clearly shocked and she said that they had demanded money, money, car, car. Those were the words she heard. One would imagine it was a car-jacking," she said. Police initially suspected Mockford had been killed in a failed car hijacking, according to an internal memo seen by Reuters, though the couple's Lexus sports utility vehicle had not been taken after the shooting. Marcello Minacapelli, the owner of the Italian restaurant, said the couple, who were not regulars, had left at about 10 p.m. on the Sunday evening, but he had not seen the incident. Brussels prosecutors said they were not prepared to comment further on the details or circumstances of the case until the perpetrators were caught. Mockford, 59, was a manager within the chemicals arm of ExxonMobil and had worked over a period of 38 years in Britain, Belgium and Singapore. ExxonMobil Belgium confirmed he had worked as a department head at its office in Maelbeek, on the outskirts of Brussels. "Of course we are all shocked," a company spokesman said. "There is no indication that the incident was work-related." No one was willing to comment when Reuters called Mockford's family home in Grimbergen, an affluent town just north of the capital Brussels. Britain's Foreign Office confirmed that a British national had been killed and that it was providing consular assistance.

<http://www.reuters.com/article/2012/10/26/us-crime-belgium-exxonmobil-idUSBRE89P0DZ20121026>

NEW ZEALAND, WELLINGTON, OCTOBER 27 2012. RENA CLEAN UP COSTS COMPANY \$235M

kiri gillespie



The Daina Shipping Company was said to be responsible and remorseful after its employees grounded the Rena on the Astrolabe Reef.

The Greece-based owner of the Rena cargo ship has spent \$235 million dollars on the clean-up. It has also been revealed that three weeks ago an oil tanker was warned by the Port of Tauranga that it was on a collision course with the grounded Rena. The revelations come after Daina Shipping Company was fined \$300,000 after pleading guilty to a charge under the Resource Management Act relating to the discharge of harmful substances. As the registered owner, Daina Shipping Company had overall responsibility for the operation of the Rena. Crown solicitor Rob Ronayne and Paul Mabey QC suggested to Judge Robert Wolff that a starting point fine of \$450,000 was more appropriate than the

maximum penalty of \$600,000 and \$10,000 for every day the offending continued. Mr Mabey said although there was a loss to the Government, his client had already agreed to a \$27.6 million package, which leaves about \$20 million to be paid by taxpayers. Mr Mabey said the owners were within their rights to pay up to New Zealand's liability cap of \$11 million but had gone further. "There can be no doubt significant damage has been done to the environment. That's why we are here. "But it's correct from the outset the owners have had a responsible attitude and paid compensation," Mr Mabey said. " Judge Wolff said the captain and second officer shouldered the main responsibility for what happened and the shipping company had done all it could to help with the clean-up . The offence was not deliberate, but a penalty had to be handed down as a deterrent and to show justice had been done, Judge Wolff said. "This entire coast has been affected, that is inevitable, as have a vast number of individuals, businesses, groups and the like," he said. "There's remorse [from the company] ." Judge Wolff said the maximum penalty was reserved for worst-case scenarios . In court, it was revealed the company has already spent \$235 million on ongoing salvage and clean-up but the estimated cost for the Government had reached about \$47 million. Reading from a victim impact statement, Ngarama Taingahue representing Awanui Black, chairman Tauranga Moana Iwi Leaders' Group, said Rena had left people shocked and saddened. "Our environment is deeply entrenched in who we are. This is our area. It's not as if we have anywhere else to go." Iwi members were still on the beaches cleaning up debris . "We are members of the tangata whenua community ... we have, through our whakapapa, we have an undying and unique relationship with our ... moana [sea]." Outside court, Mr Mabey said it was a relief to have the matter over with. "I know the company wanted to



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

move on. The company didn't want this Rena clean-up costs company \$235m - plus \$300,000 fine to happen but it happened," he said. "No one can criticise their efforts. "There wasn't much more they could have done." Mr Mabey said Captain John Owens from insurers The Swedish Club would be arriving in Tauranga today to begin a public consultation asking people for their views on how to remove Rena from the reef. Maritime New Zealand chief executive Keith Manch said he was satisfied with the outcome. "The guilty plea by the owners has led to this case being resolved in a timely fashion and that is to be welcomed," Mr Manch said. Speaking from Athens, Konstantinos Zacharatos again apologised on behalf of Daina Shipping Company to the Bay of Plenty community and people of New Zealand. "This occurred as a result of human errors. I apologise for the actions of the crew, the accident and any damage caused. "This is an accident no one wanted to happen but it did and consequently we take our responsibilities very seriously." Bevan Marten, lecturer of maritime law at Victoria University, said the prosecution did the best they could under the circumstances. "Ultimately, New Zealand needs stronger maritime laws giving us full cost recovery following marine pollution events." Rena Business Compensation Group spokesman Nevan Lancaster said the ship's owners had got off "extremely lightly". Meanwhile, Maritime New Zealand last night confirmed that three weeks the Port of Tauranga had to warn an oil tanker that it was on a collision course with the grounded Rena. Maritime New Zealand spokesperson Michael Flyger said port's watch commander called the captain of the Ocean Neptune to let him know he was on a similar track as the Rena. The Ocean Neptune was 41 kilometres away from the Rena when it was advised to change its entrance into the harbour. The ship immediately changed its course and entered the harbour without further incident.

Related Links

- [Greek shipping company fined for New Zealand environmental disaster](#)
The Greek shipping company that owned a cargo vessel at the center of New Zealand's worst-ever maritime environmental disaster was fined 300,000 NZ dollars (245, 640 U.S. dollars) in a New Zealand court Friday.
- [Rena owners fined \\$300,000](#)
- [Bay leaders involved in \\$1m Rena Recovery Fund](#)
- [What to do with the Rena wreck?](#)
- [Richard Moore: Compulsory shipping lanes a must](#)
- [Rena compo claims off to court](#)

<http://www.bayofplentytimes.co.nz/news/rena-clean-up-costs-company-235m/1599515/>

USA, N.Y, VALHALLA, OCTOBER 27 2012. HEATING OIL SPILLS INTO BRONX RIVER



North White Plains firefighters place absorbent booms across the Bronx River north of Virginia Road on Friday to contain a fuel spill.

A broken fuel line between two heating oil tanks is blamed for a Bronx River spill that extended more than a mile from a brook feeding into the river at Railroad Avenue in Valhalla to Virginia Road in North White Plains. "It was definitely accidental," Mount Pleasant Police Chief Louis Alagno said. The spill was discovered Friday afternoon at the Legion Drive bridge near the Valhalla business district. First responders traced it to a building at 5 Railroad Ave., where a crossover pipe between two 275-gallon tanks had broken. The property is the site of several industrial businesses. Authorities do not know how much heating oil was in the tanks, but Alagno said fuel went into a sump pump, filled the basement with oil and then began seeping into the brook. Police from Mount Pleasant and Westchester County were on the scene, along with Valhalla

firefighters and workers from the New York City Department of Environmental Protection. Booms were placed at several points along the river to contain the oil. The last booms were placed near Virginia Road by North White Plains fire volunteers to prevent oil from moving farther south. Caren Halbfinger, spokeswoman for the Westchester County Health Department, said the property owner has hired an environmental contractor to clean up the spill. She said investigators do not know how much oil entered the river, but the tanks had not yet been filled for the winter. No summonses were issued.

<http://www.lohud.com/article/20121026/NEWS/310260104/Heating-oil-spills-into-Bronx-River-Valhalla?odyssey=tab%7Ctopnews%7Ctext%7CNews>



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

USA, FLA, TAMPA, OCTOBER 27 2012. USF RESPONDS TO FUEL LEAK

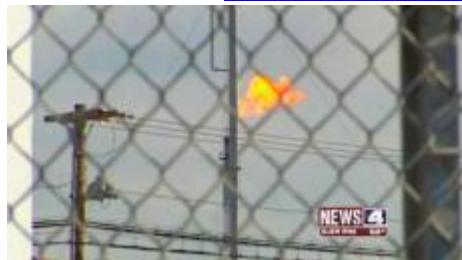
alex rosenthal

When a USF Bull Runner shuttle took a sharp turn near a fuel trailer on Wednesday night near USF parking lot 14 and a valve on the biodiesel fuel tank broke off, approximately 250 gallons of B20 biodiesel fuel leaked out on the scene, Karla Willman, assistant director of communications for Physical Plant, said. University Police (UP) received the call just before 9:00 p.m. Wednesday and reported a traffic crash between a USF Shuttle Bus driven by a Parking and Transportation Services (PATS) employee and the fuel tank, Lt. Charlotte Domingo of UP said in an email. USF Environmental Health and Safety and Tampa Fire Rescue (TFR) responded to the scene, and no injuries were reported. "The tank was leaking 10-15 gallons per minute, and it is a 1,000 gallon tank," Debra Warshefski, public information officer for TFR, said. "That's a substantial size and means it could have leaked up to 1,000 gallons." Though no injuries occurred, the situation posed potential threats to both members of the community and the environment, Warshefski said as the toxic chemical leak posed great fire hazards. TFR was dispatched by UP to help set up barriers around the spill to prevent the biodiesel fuel from entering nearby storm drains. "We were responsible to quickly stop the leak and contain the spill," Warshefski said. "We were able to do it based on our training, and that's what we are here for. It's very important for us to contain the spill and make it safe for the people in the community, and for the environment." Willman said dirt and landfill materials were used to contain the spill. The leak was stopped by members of the TFR Hazardous Materials Team, UP officers and PATS staff. Environmental Health and Safety and Physical Plant also helped in the containment effort and began the cleaning process. "The spill did not impact the storm drains or nearby soil and was contained in the bus compound throughout the incident," Willman said. "The spill materials were placed in 30 gallon and 55 gallon drums for proper disposal." Willman said USF must now notify state agencies about the operation. The incident caused no disruption for the Bull Runner service, said Raymond Mensah, director of PATS.

<http://www.usforacle.com/usf-responds-to-fuel-leak-1.2784691#.UlxQAMVOQrU>

USA, ILL, ROXANA, OCTOBER 27 2012. ROXANA RESIDENTS WORRY ABOUT BENZENE CONTAMINATION, DESPITE FREE TESTING

 **Watch the Video** [Roxana Residents Worry about Benzene Contamination](#)



Some residents in a small Metro-East community say they are still worried about residual chemical contamination from a former Shell oil refinery, despite the company's cleanup and testing efforts. Three homes in west Roxana have tested positive for high levels of methane and benzene, which causes cancer. These homes will soon be demolished as part of a cleanup effort by Shell. Dale Carroll has lived in Roxana more than 60 years, and owns several rental properties. "I've had two different cases where people moved out, and the reason they moved out was because they were afraid of the benzene," Carroll said. Gina Search, with the Illinois EPA, says similar levels of contamination have not been found in other area homes. "We have not found additional homes that have

problems that are comparable to the ones that have been demolished," she said. Shell has said after the three homes are demolished, the company will install an additional system to remove underground vapors. EPA officials said Shell provides free contaminant testing for residences in Roxana, but so far only 30 percent of homeowners have taken advantage of the offer.

 **Related Links** [Southern Illinois town sues oil firms over pollution claims](#)

<http://www.kmov.com/news/local/Roxana-residents-worried-about-benzene-despite-Shells-offer-for--176045321.html>

INDIA, JAIPUR, OCTOBER 27 2012. DRIVER DIES AS TANKER CATCHES FIRE IN MISHAP

Panic gripped Jaipur-Agra National Highway near Bassi on Thursday morning after a driver was brunt alive and his helper sustained serious burn injuries in a collision between their chemical-laden tanker and a stationed truck. The charred body of the driver, Shyam Bihari (35), was later recovered from the tanker's cabin. They also evacuated people from half-a-kilometre radius and diverted the highway traffic. The mishap led to several rumours among the local villagers and commuters.

http://articles.timesofindia.indiatimes.com/2012-10-26/jaipur/34749384_1_tanker-rescue-truck-fire-tenders



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

USA, TX, FORTWORTH, OCTOBER 27 2012. TANKER OVERTURNS, BLOCKS LANES ON I-35W

keaton fox

 [Watch the Video Tanker Overturns](#)



A tanker truck overturned in Fort Worth Friday morning, bringing big traffic delays during the morning commute.

A tanker carrying salt-water likely took a curve too fast, causing it to flip on Interstate 35W at 28th Street on Friday morning, Fort Worth police said. Rescue crews responded to the overturned 18-wheeler on the I-35W southbound ramp to NE 28th Street at about 4:30 a.m. The crash closed all the southbound lanes and caused delays in the northbound lanes during morning commute hours. No one was injured. A second tanker arrived on the scene to offload the first tanker, then a wrecker can upright it. A wrecker was ordered just after 5 a.m. to clear the area. The roadway was reopened shortly after 8 a.m.

<http://www.nbcdw.com/traffic/stories/Overturned-Semi-Blocks-Lanes-on-I-35W-175942701.html>

CHINA, BEIJING, OCTOBER 28 2012. RESIDENTS IN EASTERN CHINESE CITY CLASH WITH POLICE IN PROTEST OVER CHEMICAL FACTORY EXPANSION

didi tang

Thousands of people in an eastern Chinese city clashed with police during a protest over the proposed expansion of a petrochemical factory that they fear would spew pollution and damage public health, townspeople said Saturday. It was the latest in a string of protests in China this year over fears of health risks from industrial projects, as members of the rising middle class become more outspoken against environmentally risky projects in their areas. Past protests have targeted a coal-fired power plant in southern China, a waste-water pipeline in eastern China, and a copper plant in west-central China. The Zhenhai district government in Zhejiang province's Ningbo city said in a statement Saturday that "a few" people disrupted public order by staging sit-ins, unfurling banners, distributing fliers and obstructing roads. It said the proposed project is under evaluation and the public has opportunities to offer its input. Zhenhai police said protesters threw rocks and bricks at officers Friday and that police dispersed illegal gatherings to restore the flow of traffic. Residents, however, said the protests involved thousands of people and turned violent after authorities used tear gas to disperse the crowds and arrested participants. "It started with a peaceful petition but turned into a citywide riot," said a local resident who gave only his family name, Ren, because he had come under police watch. He said he was called in by police over his frequent online postings about the project, which would produce chemicals such as ethylene and paraxylene. Ren said the protest intensified Friday when young residents returned home for the weekend. He said 4,000 to 5,000 people blocked major road entrances to the district and that the public grew angry when police arrested three college students and used tear gas on the crowds. He said demonstrators overturned a car, and some smashed the door of a fire truck that arrived to hose off leaked gasoline as well as to disperse protesters. Thousands of protesters stormed a local police station, where they demanded the release of the students and a dialogue with district officials. Ren said the protesters also went to a traffic police compound, where they overturned police vehicles and private cars. He said riot police moved in to form a shield to guard the traffic police compound and that protesters threw rocks and water bottles at the riot police. Later Friday night, police began beating protesters and passers-by with batons, Ren said. On Saturday, people gathered in a large public square in Ningbo and shouted slogans against the project, Ren said. Many were taken away by police, he said. Among the protesters was a businessman who said he was taken to a police station where he was forced to delete photos of the protest he had taken with his cellphone. He said he was released after an hour. "The police have my information, and I need to keep a low profile," said the man, who gave only his family name, Wang. The man, who was reached by phone, estimated there were tens of thousands of protesters on the square and that some were beaten by police. Another man who gave the surname Mao said he happened to be in the square and began taking photos when he saw police were throwing people, including women and the elderly, onto the ground and severely beating them. "I wanted to document it," Mao said. Mao said he was forced into a police vehicle and detained in a police station for more than eight hours before being released with a warning that he should not post material online or accept interviews. Photos posted online showed demonstrators clashing with police and holding up signs demanding that the project be halted. Some were shown being dragged away by police. Searches for phrases including Zhenhai and Zhenhai chemical plant were blocked



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

Saturday on China's extremely popular microblogging site Sina Weibo. But that did not stop people from sharing information and expressing opinions online. A microblogger in the town of Cixi, 50 kilometers (30 miles) away, said the project set off anger in an area where residents are prone to cancer because of severe pollution caused by industrial development. "Many of my family members, friends and neighbors have cancer," said the microblogger, who gave only his last name, Hu, citing the sensitivity of the matter. "Our area is economically developed enough that we don't need projects that harm people's health." "Government officials are only concerned about GDP and climbing up their career ladders, which is incompatible with local residents' desire to have a pleasant life," he said. "The officials will move on after a few years, but we will be living here generation after generation. It is irresponsible to build this project."

<http://www.greenfieldreporter.com/view/story/0aaa3efed6c0477389c2d798a2434e24/AS-China-Pollution-Protest>

USA, CA, RIALTO, OCTOBER 28 2012. \$5.7 MILLION PERCHLORATE SETTLEMENT REACHED >> FIRMS THAT USED THE 160-ACRE GOODRICH INDUSTRIAL SITE WILL HELP PAY FOR PERCHLORATE CLEANUP; RESIDENTS TO BE REIMBURSED

janet zimmerman



Pyro Spectaculars Inc. firework stands are lined up on part of a 160-acre site in Rialto that is the source of perchlorate groundwater contamination.

Companies that produced fireworks at a Rialto industrial site where perchlorate contaminated the water supply have agreed to pay \$5.7 million — the first of three settlements expected to total more than \$100 million, officials said. The money will cover cleanup costs and reimburse residents who have been paying a surcharge on their water bills for almost a decade. The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Rialto, Colton and San Bernardino County had sued Pyro Spectaculars Inc. and other parties suspected of dumping or burning toxic chemicals in pits at the site north of Interstate 210, between Alder and Locust avenues. The cities, as well as water districts not involved in the lawsuits, shut

down 20 contaminated wells and installed treatment equipment after the pollution was discovered in 1997. The contamination was found when tests became available to detect perchlorate at low levels. It is unknown how long the contaminated water was delivered to consumers before that. An assessment by the state Department of Public Health last year concluded that tap water from two wells could have caused thyroid problems that affected the physical and mental development of people who grew up in Rialto in the 1980s. The settlement was filed earlier this month in federal court. A second settlement with Emhart Industries, a subsidiary of Black and Decker, and others is expected to be filed in the next several weeks, said attorney Gene Tanaka, who represents the city of Colton. The amount of that settlement is confidential, but it will cover the cost of pumping and treating contaminated water, he said Friday, Oct. 26. Between the two deals, Rialto residents will get back about \$9 million in "perchlorate charges" they have paid on bills since 2004, Rialto City Councilman Ed Scott said. The surcharge will stop in December or January, which is when rebate checks will be issued to current and former residents, he said. The charge is based on water use. Some large business owners in the city have paid up to \$50,000 in perchlorate charges, he said. It is unclear how much homeowners will get back because rebates are based on usage. "It's a great settlement for the city. It's exactly what we wanted all along, to have our water cleaned up and to give some money back to the residents," Scott said. "We're clearly at the end of this whole thing." A third agreement with B.F. Goodrich Corp. is still being negotiated, he said. According to the Oct. 10 consent decree with Pyro Spectaculars, its subsidiaries Astro Pyrotechnics Inc. and Trojan Fireworks Co., Thomas O. Peters and Stonehurst Site LLC, the federal government will receive \$4.3 million; Colton and Rialto will each receive \$500,000; and the county will get \$333,000. The companies did not admit liability. The settlement is expected to be finalized by a judge next month. Pyro Spectaculars' attorney, Gary Brown, was out of the office Friday and could not be reached for comment. Perchlorate, an ingredient in fireworks and rocket fuel, and trichloroethylene, or TCE, a solvent, seeped into groundwater and has traveled at least three miles to the southeast, toward wells owned by the city of Riverside. The chemicals are linked to thyroid problems and cancer. The 160-acre parcel, known as the B.F. Goodrich site, was placed on the federal Superfund list of priority cleanup sites in 2009. The EPA plan is to pump and treat the water from underground basins over the next 30 years, work that is expected to cost more than \$100 million. Patricia Robinson, a 34-year Rialto resident, was pleased by the news, though for years she has been hearing a settlement is near. She and her husband pay more than \$20



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



APICSA



Franklin Fueling Systems

Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

per month for the perchlorate surcharge for their home and a rental. "It will be great if it happens," she said. "It will be nice for people around here, because it's not a rich community. It's a hard-working bedroom community."

Related Links

- [State officials back tentative deal on perchlorate cleanup](#)
- [Perchlorate facts from city of Rialto](#)
- [Rialto plume update to state water board](#)

<http://www.pe.com/local-news/local-news-headlines/20121026-rialto-5.7-million-perchlorate-settlement-reached.ece>

NIGERIA, KWARA, ILORIN, OCTOBER 28 2012. THREE BURNT IN SALLAH AUTO TANKER CRASH

Federal Road Safety Corps (FRSC), Kwara State sector command yesterday confirmed that, three people who were involved in an auto crash were burnt beyond recognition on Sallah day in Ilorin. Thisday investigations revealed that the incident happened at a place close to NNPC depot at Oke Oyi, where fuel laden tanker had a brake failure, subsequently ramming into a taxi which caught fire as the tanker also lost control and fell, spilling its cargo on the road. The state sector commander of the FRSC, Oladayo Ademolusi who spoke with newsmen Friday, said that, the men of the corps were helpless as the occupants of the taxi were burnt to death. He added that the remains of the victims of the accident had been deposited at the University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital, UITHI, Ilorin.

<http://allafrica.com/stories/201210270419.html>

INDIA, UTTAR PRADESH, FATEHPUR, OCTOBER 28 2012. SPEEDING TANKER KILLS EIGHT PERSONS

Eight persons were crushed to death and four others injured after a speeding tanker hit them in Salauli area, triggering angry protests by locals who beat the driver and cleaner to death. The incident occurred last night when the driver of the petrol tanker, who was fleeing after running over two persons, rammed into a house and the vehicle overturned near Mahakhera village killing six others on the spot, police said on Saturday. Agitated over the incident, locals beat the driver and the cleaner of the tanker to death, they said.

<http://www.hindustantimes.com/India-news/UttarPradesh/Speeding-tanker-kills-eight-persons/Article1-950777.aspx>

USA, VIRGIN ISLANDS, ST. THOMAS, OCTOBER 28 2012. GAS SPILL SHUTS DOWN MANDELA CIRCLE AREA FOR HOURS

thomas layer



The bustling area around Mandela Circle, teeming with taxis, tourists from the Celebrity Summit cruise ship, vendors and a variety of vehicles, came to a standstill Friday afternoon when about 100 gallons of gasoline spilled from a tanker at Giant Gas and into the street. Assistant Director of the Fire Service Daryl George said, "inspection of a containment room revealed that an estimated 100 gallons of 1203 type gas" had breached the containment area and spilled over the sides. "We are still investigating what is wrong with the holding tank," George said early Friday afternoon, but heavy fumes kept inspectors from going inside the building immediately after the spill. Roads were closed throughout the already congested intersection while hazardous materials crews cordoned off the area to deal with the mess. A crew from the V.I. Fire Service's Hotel Company was sent to the area just after 11 a.m. to

contain the fuel spill at the edge of Havensight and Sugar Estate. The V.I. Police Department closed off the road between Giant Gas and Pueblo and evacuated businesses, including all of the vendor booths at Virgin Marley's and the shops at Vitracco Mall. Pedestrians were directed away from Giant Gas and through the Pueblo parking lot to circumvent the spill. Agencies that responded also included enforcement teams from the Department of Planning and natural Resources and the Environmental Protection Agency and officials from the V.I. Waste Management Authority. Officials from the West Indian Co. also were brought into the situation because of the cruise ship docked nearby and the spill required a major road to be closed, according to George. An employee from Tri-Island Energy poured a bag of Vermiculite - a lightweight absorbent insulating material - on the fuel spill behind Giant Gas. WICO remained on standby to deploy booms in the event the fuel could not be



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

contained and reached a culvert leading the Havensight harbor. Hotel Company firefighters placed land-based booms to stop the spill from spreading and then applied foam to the fuel to disperse the strong gaseous odor. After the containment and evacuation were complete, firefighters began pumping the spilled fuel into two tankers. The Fire Service gave the all-clear for businesses and roads in the area to reopen about 3:45 p.m., according to the VITEMA. No injuries were reported.

<http://virginislandsdailynews.com/news/gas-spill-shuts-down-mandela-circle-area-for-hours-1.1394707>

VENEZUELA, CARACAS, OCTOBER 28 2012. TWO MONTHS AFTER TRAGEDY IN MAJOR VENEZUELAN REFINERY, GROWING DOUBTS TWO MONTHS AFTER EXPLOSION IN AMUAY REFINERY >> OFFICIAL REPORTS ABOUT THE INCIDENT HAVE NOT BEEN REVEALED

ernesto j tovar

translated by andreína trujillo



The explosion in Amuay refinery caused more than 40 deaths, 6 people missing and hundreds of injured.

It has been more than 60 days since the explosion resulting from a gas leak in Amuay refinery (northwestern Falcón state). The blast caused more than 40 deaths, six people missing, hundreds of injured, and damages in hundreds of dwellings and stores neighboring the refinery that belongs to state-run oil company Petróleos de Venezuela and is part of the Paraguaná Refining Center. To date, no official findings have been revealed concerning the causes of the gas leak that devastated the surroundings of Amuay refinery, including a detachment of the National Guard, the enterprise Puramin, and several stores, dwellings and buildings. When the incident occurred on August 25 early

morning, Pdvsa authorities reported that a cloud of olefins gas had leaked in the block 23 of the olefins tank yard of the refinery. However, some details have not been clarified, such as how long the gas leak lasted, or whether the gas leak occurred in the 23 pipes of block, or in a shut-off valve. The volume of leaked gas has not been determined either. All these details might clarify how the accident occurred, and might even contribute to the development of new safety protocols. The information should be gathered and included in the safety assessments and inspections report to be produced by Pdvsa, the Attorney General Office, insurance companies, and security bodies, such as the Bolivarian Intelligence Service (Sebin) and the Scientific, Penal, and Criminology Investigation Police Agency (Cicpc), all of which gathered evidence and data from the area of the explosion. Such assessments have not been disclosed. The latest official report on these inquiries was issued in mid-September, when the Minister of Petroleum and Mining and President of Pdvsa, Rafael Ramírez, informed that the damages assessment required for insurance payments "had progressed 75%."

Probable Cause

Pdvsa has insisted that lack of maintenance, negligence, or even sabotage is not accountable for Amuay explosion. However, Pdvsa's ex-managers and ex-workers - some of them with more than 30 years of experience in the oil industry - have pointed out that the gas leaking in Amuay refinery may have been caused by four reasons related to the maintenance and operational safety of the facilities. Javier Larrañaga, ex-manager of Cardón refinery and former deputy manager of the CPR, reckons that the most probable cause might be a leak in the sealing of the mechanical pumps in the tanks area TK-208 and 209. "There was a fire in that pump back on June 30, and there are reports stating that the spare parts for that pump were not available," he remarked. In view of the insufficient availability of verified information, stories told by survivors and witnesses, plus industrial safety records of Pdvsa and neighboring companies become clues to figure out what happened in Amuay refinery that day. According to Pdvsa procedures manual, the Pdvsa Board of Directors should have received by Wednesday the final internal report on the incident, as the guidelines provide for a period of 60 days plus one to prepare said report. "Pdvsa should deliver its official report to the public opinion," Larrañaga asserted.

Related Links

- [Amuay refinery not fully recovered a month after the explosion](#)
- [Havoc near Amuay refinery after the blast](#)
- [A chronology of accidents in the Venezuelan oil industry during 2012](#)

<http://www.eluniversal.com/economia/121027/growing-doubts-two-months-after-explosion-in-amuay-refinery>



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

THAILAND, AMNAT CHAROEN, MUANG, OCTOBER 28 2012. FIREWORKS BLAST KILLS MAN

A man was killed and four others injured in a fireworks explosion at a temple in this north-eastern province on Saturday. Reports said villagers had gathered at Ban Na Wang temple in Muang district to make fireworks in preparation for a big celebration of the end of Buddhist Lent on Tuesday. However, one of the fireworks caught fire and exploded, killing Samran Chaiwet. Four men were injured, two critically. They were sent to Sappasitthiprasong Hospital in Ubon Ratchathani province.

<http://www99.bangkokpost.com/news/local/318461/1-killed-4-hurt-in-fireworks-explosion>

BELGIUM, GITS, OCTOBER 28 2012. OOPS...LARGE CRANE FALLS AND CRUSHES RARE JAGUAR XKR-S AND BMW 6-SERIES COUPES

 **Photo's [4]** [UGST & Crane Falls on Jaguar XKR-S](#)



An automotive dealer from the small Belgium village Gits was in for a nasty surprise earlier this week when a large crane trying to position a huge fuel tank for a new gas station being built right next to his shop tipped over and crushed a pair of cars parked on the lot. The two vehicles were a rare [Jaguar XKR-S](#) coupe (the 2008 model), of which only 200 examples were built for the European market and one he reportedly had just...sold for €150,000 (US\$194,000), and a previous generation BMW 630i Coupe. According to reports from local media, [the accident](#) was caused when the ground under the 60-ton crane collapsed from the weight sending both the truck and its load to the ground and onto the premium sports cars.

 **Related Links** [Car Crash: Crane Falls on Jaguar XKR](#)

<http://carscoop.blogspot.com/2012/10/oopslarge-crane-falls-and-crushes-rare.html>

UK, POWYS, LLANWRTYD WELLS, OCTOBER 29 2012. HOMES EVACUATED NEAR LLANWRTYD WELLS DUE TO TANKER GAS LEAK

 **Watch the Video**

- [Residents allowed to Return Home](#)
- [Homes Evacuated after Gas Leak in Llanwrttyd Wells](#)

Homes were evacuated near Llanwrttyd Wells, Powys, because of a lorry tanker leaking gas. The tanker at a depot leaked 13,500 litres of propane and firefighters used spray to suppress it. The road to Cefn Gorwydd was closed as a precaution for most of Sunday afternoon and local train services were suspended. A 200m (656ft) cordon was put in place while Mid and West Wales Fire and Rescue Service dealt with the incident. The cordon extended to 500m (1,641ft) downwind of the leak until the incident was brought under control before 17:00 GMT. A fire service spokesman reported earlier: "The lorry tanker is leaking a large quantity of gas". The service had four appliances and police, ambulance and Network Rail staff were also in attendance. Arriva Trains Wales put on replacement buses between Llandoverly and Llandrindod Wells due to safety checks on the line at Llanwrttyd. Trains only ran between Shrewsbury and Llandrindod and between Llandoverly and Swansea, with delays of up to an hour. The Environment Agency sent officers as a precaution to advise the fire service, but said it was being treated as a safety incident.

<http://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-mid-wales-20114796>

USA, N.Y, NEW YORK, OCTOBER 29 2012. SANDY ALSO COULD WREAK HAVOC WITH OIL REFINERIES

andrew lipow

In addition to all the other damage it is causing, Hurricane Sandy could take a substantial toll on the oil industry. Here's a rundown of what could happen:

By 6 pm ET Sunday both the Delaware Bay and New York Harbor will be closed to tanker and barge traffic. This means that the refineries will no longer be able to receive crude oil or load out product. Product outages can occur not only in the New York and Philadelphia metro areas but extend to Bridgeport, New Haven, Providence and Boston. As this is written, all five refineries are operating. I expect that they will have to reduce crude processing rates by 40 percent in order to make it through



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Franklin Fueling Systems

Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

until crude oil resupply resumes. My guess is that tankers will be able to resume deliveries late Wednesday, but most likely Thursday. My impression is that at this moment the refineries are going to continue and operate through the storm. The biggest concern I have is flooding at Phillips66 Linden refinery as it is currently on the "dirty" side of the storm which would experience the greatest storm surge. I have divided the refineries into the Philadelphia area and the New York area.

Philadelphia Area Refineries

- PBF, Delaware City, 190,000 barrels per day
- Monroe Fuels, (Delta) Trainer, 185,000
- Sunoco, Philadelphia, 355,000
- PBF, Paulsboro, 166,000

New York Area Refinery

- Phillips66, Linden, 251,000

These five refineries represent 6.6 percent of the nation's refining capacity. All figures from the EIA Refinery Capacity Report in barrels per stream day (which means how much crude a refinery can process in a 24-hour period). I estimate these five refineries produce nearly 600,000 barrels per day gasoline, 75,000 of jet fuel and 350,000 of distillate fuel. The four refineries in Philadelphia produce 450,000 barrels per day gasoline, 50,000 jet fuel and 265,000 distillate. The one refinery in New York produces about 145,000 barrels per day gasoline, 25,000 jet fuel and 85,000 distillate. Total East Coast gasoline demand is about 3.1 million barrels per day as follows: New England: 400 thousand barrels per day which is Connecticut up to Maine; Mid Atlantic: 1.2 million barrels per day which is New York south to Washington, D.C.; and Lower Atlantic: 1.5 million barrels per day, which is Virginia south through Florida. I am estimating that we could lose 2 million barrels of gasoline demand. Another issue: Nearly all gasoline sold contains 10 percent ethanol. Most of the ethanol is delivered by rail to places like Linden and Sewaren, N.J., while some is delivered by barge from Albany, N.Y. (which receives rail shipments from the Midwest. If the rails shut down (Norfolk Southern, Conrail) this part of the fuel supply chain will be impacted. Bottom line — if we run out of ethanol we run out of gasoline. Already 3,200 flights have been cancelled for Sunday into Monday and a look at the United and American Airlines websites show cancellations through Tuesday into/out of the NY airports. Jet Fuel demand at the three New York-area plus one Philadelphia airports is estimated at 170,000 barrels per day.

Related Links

- [Refineries Consider Shutdowns](#)
- [Frankenstorm Poses 'Worst Case Scenario'](#)
- [Here's Why Sandy Is Such a Monster Storm](#)

<http://www.cnn.com/id/49589473>

SCOTLAND, FIFE, OCTOBER 29 2012. CONTAMINATION DIGGING STARTS AT DALGETY BAY

Work has started on digging up the beach at Dalgety Bay in the next stage of the programme to tackle the town's radioactive contamination. Test pits and bore-holes are to be dug by a contractor for the Ministry of Defence to help identify where radioactivity is buried and the size of the problem. The work will take approximately three weeks and the Scottish Environment Protection Agency (SEPA) will also be on site. Dr Paul Dale, radioactive substances specialist at SEPA, said, "There's about 90 trial pits that will take over the entire site. "It's to determine the physical extent of any contamination that's there and that will inform the development of remediation options next year to bring this issue to closure. "The first phase was a desktop review of where contamination may or may not be present, looking at aerial photography of changes in the coastline and how things have been built out and eroded back so that's informed where we're going to put the trial pits. "There are other streams of work such as work to determine the actual hazard posed and these will come together by May next year, together with determination of who might be responsible for putting the contamination where it is. "People have been monitoring and removing particles here for 20 years. The plan now is to find out what there is now and what might come out in future so you can remediate it and we can take away these fences and these signs so that people can go about their business without thinking about radioactivity." Meanwhile, former Prime Minister Gordon Brown and the Dalgety Bay Community Council have launched an appeal to anyone who may have knowledge about how the contamination occurred. Colin McPhail (above right), community council chair, has asked for anyone who has knowledge on incineration, dumping of material or other works at the foreshore in the 1950s and '60s to contact him. It is understood that radioactive particles found on the beach at Dalgety Bay are coming from caches within made ground, which helped form the coastline during and following the closure of Donibristle



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network

Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

Airfield. Information is being sought from anyone who worked at the airfield at that time, before construction work started on Dalgety Bay in the mid-60s. Mr Brown, MP for the area, said, "I am pleased that the MoD contractor will now commence 'Phase 2' of the investigation this month and this will include bore-holes and trial holes on the contaminated land. "But I would like a promise that remediation work that takes us beyond investigations will be agreed to start next spring. "The delays now arise from a Ministry of Defence idea that someone else is to blame for the contamination. "But while they look for scapegoats they should be absolutely committed that whatever else happens, the remedial work will go ahead and not be delayed. "I applaud the continued determination of Colin McPhail and the community council to press for speedier resolution of the issues." SEPA has been carrying out work to investigate the activity and solubility of particles recovered, changes in the coastline to identify areas that may have been made from moved earth and the make-up of the area of ground in front of the sailing club.

<http://www.dunfermlinepress.com/news/roundup/articles/2012/10/28/438540-contamination-digging-starts-at-dalgety-bay/>

EGYPT, MENA, OCTOBER 29 2012. PROSECUTORS INVESTIGATE ASWAN OIL SPILL

mohamed maarouf



Prosecutors in [Aswan](#) are investigating last night's Nile River oil spill to determine the cause and source of the accident. Acting Governor Mohamed Mostafa said that as of Sunday afternoon, the oil slick is evaporating and is now only 5 meters wide. The original spill was 5 km in diameter. "It is approaching the city of Esna, north of Aswan," Mostafa said, adding that the source of the spill is still unknown. "The nearest industrial facility is 30 km away from where we found the spill." "We have operated the drinking water stations after we made sure they were not contaminated," he added.

<http://www.egyptindependent.com/news/prosecutors-investigate-aswan-oil-spill>

CHINA, ZHEJIANG PROVINCE, NINGBO CITY, MASS PROTESTS FORCE SCRAPPING OF CHEMICAL PLANT IN CHINESE CITY



For several days residents in Ningbo City, Zhejiang Province, have been protesting against plans for a chemical factory producing p-Xylene in Zhenhai County, Ningbo.

For several days residents in Ningbo City, Zhejiang Province, have been protesting against plans for a chemical factory producing p-Xylene in Zhenhai County, Ningbo. (Weibo.com) Residents in a Chinese coastal province tried to block the expansion of a chemical factory with massive protests over multiple days recently, despite harsh police suppression and a media blackout. The protest had paid off by Sunday, when officials announced that they would cancel the project. The plant, proposed to be built in Ningbo, a major port city in the eastern Zhejiang Province, is a subsidiary of the China Petroleum and Chemical Corporation, a major state-run oil company, and makes para-Xylene, a hazardous industrial solvent. The U.S. Center for Disease Control notes: "Do

NOT let this chemical enter the environment." The protests, during which riot police fired tear gas at thousands of residents, began Oct. 21 and continued into the evening of Oct. 28. The BBC reported that authorities agreed to halt the plant expansion, though citizens greeted the news with mistrust, according to The Associated Press. "There is very little public confidence in the government," protester Liu Li told AP. "Who knows if they are saying this just to make us leave and then keep on doing the project," she added. A local resident named Liao told the Epoch Times, "We do not want chemical industries in Zhenhai. There are chemical companies all over Zhenhai already and now the authorities are allowing another toxic one in. There is no way we can survive like this. We also have to think about our children!" Eyewitnesses described a dangerous scene. A protester



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

who was arrested on Oct. 24 told The Epoch Times, "The protesters in front of the district government demanded to talk to the authorities. Only one came to talk to us and we blocked traffic in the front of the government offices. Later they ordered the police to expel us. More than 200 policemen came. They arrested 14 people at 3 p.m. on Oct. 24, seven men and seven women. Many were hurt. Of those arrested, five were released on bail. We don't know where the other nine are. The riot police were violent. When we resisted arrest, they punched us." Armed police came out in force on the evening of Oct. 28, the day after the regime announced that the plant would be scrapped. The protester continued, explaining the treatment received: "There are many bloody bruises on my neck. My lips were bleeding. The police punched my head and forced me to squat on the ground. They forced me into a police vehicle. I began to vomit because of my head injury and no one did anything. They did not allow me to talk or make phone calls. Later they held me in Luotuo Police Station," the protester said. Protesters displayed banners on Oct. 25 saying, "We want to live. Protect our homes and kick out poison. P-Xylene leave Zhenhai. Give us a clean city!" Ningbo democratic activist Dai Jianwei told NTD, a Chinese-language television station, that the crowd was peaceful on Oct. 27, and some middle-aged and elderly residents were telling the police about the dangers of P-Xylene, especially to children. When UK journalist Angus Walker with ITV news arrived, the locals gathered around in support. (Weibo.com) Mr. Hu, a shopkeeper near the center of the protests, told The Epoch Times that he saw tens of thousands of protesters in the streets. "Everyone is chanting, 'PX get out of Ningpo, we want to live, we want to be healthy,'" said Hu. He said the state media has not reported any of the unrest, and authorities have told people they will be fired for taking part in the protests. Mr. Hu was later arrested, according to The Epoch Times' sources. Protesters applauded and wept when they saw English reporter Angus Walker, a journalist with ITV news, at the scene, according to a post on Weibo which was later blocked. "I was just there. When foreign media appeared, applause lasted for a long time and a lot of people, including a military guy 30 feet away, had tears in their eyes," according to a local resident writing on Weibo. Another netizen, in Shanghai, wrote: "When Chinese people greet foreign journalists with tears and ask for help from 'foreign army' to save them, our media industry is dead and our government is the same."

Related Links [Read the original Chinese article.](#)

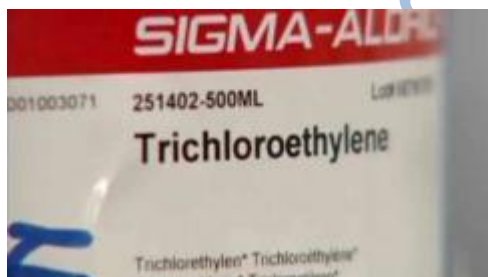
<http://www.theepochtimes.com/n2/china-news/mass-protests-force-scrapping-of-chemical-plant-in-chinese-city-308190.html>

USA, MA, FALL RIVER, OCTOBER 29 2012. 10 PEOPLE IN FALL RIVER DISPLACED FROM HOME AFTER OIL SPILL

The Red Cross is assisting residents of a Blackstone Street home following an oil spill Saturday. The spill in the basement of 116 Blackstone St. resulted in the displacement of 10 people. Red Cross volunteers were offering three of the families temporary emergency housing and emergency funds for food Saturday night.

<http://www.heraldnews.com/news/x1292883964/10-people-in-Fall-River-displaced-from-home-after-oil-spill>

USA, N.C, WAKE FOREST, OCTOBER 29 2012. NORTH CAROLINA COMMUNITY'S WATER CONTAMINATED WITH TOXIC CHEMICALS FOR SIX YEARS ... AND NO ONE TOLD THEM



The town of Wake Forest, North Carolina is in an uproar after learning the state officials knew their water was contaminated with toxic, cancer-causing chemicals and waited more than six years to tell them.

The town of Wake Forest, North Carolina is in an uproar after learning the state officials knew their water was contaminated with toxic, cancer-causing chemicals and waited more than six years to tell them. 'It makes me feel horrible,' town resident Michele Hamilton said about unknowingly giving her kids the toxic tap water. 'They're the most important things to me.' The Environmental Protection Agency told families just this past summer that their water is contaminated with the cancer-causing chemical trichloroethylene, or

TCE, and to not drink, bathe or cook with the polluted stew. 'I remember where we were when we got the phone call - we were on vacation this summer with our family,' Hamilton told [NBC](#). Neighbors Monica Stonefield and Frances Cuda got the same call. 'Of course we were frightened and scared,' Stonefield said. 'I was very nervous,' Cuda said. 'I think anybody would be.' Within days of the calls to homeowners, the EPA set up an emergency command post and placed safe water on their doorsteps regularly. The EPA installed water filters in the homes with contamination levels above the EPA's safety standard. And the EPA called a community meeting to explain what neighbors had been drinking. Gerald LeBlanc, the head of N.C.



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

State University's Department of Environmental and molecular toxicology, said TCE is a chemical that cleaning industries have used for years to remove grease. It is cheap, highly effective – and very toxic. 'Based upon animal studies, we know that it has the ability to do harm,' LeBlanc told NBC. LeBlanc said TCE "has been known to cause cancer" specifically leukemia, breast cancer, lung cancer, and there are symptoms associated with TCE exposure that are like Parkinson's disease. Cuda said she has Parkinson's disease and has gotten cysts in her left breast. She said a neighbor died in her 50s recently died from breast cancer that she believes is related to the contaminated water. The problem dates back to 10 years ago, where circuit boards were cleaned with the toxin inside a shed on Stony Hill Road in Wake Forest. The TCE exited the building through a pipe and poured straight onto the ground. About three years later, the chemical showed up in a well at the house next door. At the North Carolina Department of Environment and Natural Resources, Charlotte Jesneck's division took the case. 'It looked to be that the contamination was confined to that well,' Jesneck said. Through a Freedom of Information Act, NBC obtained 800 pages from DENR's files, including a two-page summary sent from DENR staff to senior managers in 2008 saying there might be additional contaminated wells and a letter admitting 'the extent of the contamination has not been defined.' Larry Kusan is an engineer and resident living near the contamination. In 2008, he learned about the contamination that happened in 2005. 'I wanted to make sure that my family wasn't in trouble,' Kusan said in an interview. 'Our home is about a mile away from that location.' He wrote DENR and the governor's office, saying, 'The area is slated for significant expansion.' and that 'it is the cost to human health that is of greatest concern.' DENR admits those warning sat in their files for years because they were focused on 'bigger issues.' Environmental engineer Jim Halley said it is reasonable to assume TCE will spread. TCE sinks because it is heavier than water and when it sinks into the groundwater it spreads through the water table and into nearby wells. 'And that's when we really start seeing problems with groundwater and drinking water contamination,' Halley said. DENR's Jesneck, asked about TCE sinking and spreading, said, 'There were higher risk sites on the radar at that time,' and they hoped it wouldn't spread. By late August, the EPA had sampled about 100 wells. They found the TCE contamination had spread from the source nearly 500 acres and contaminated the wells of 21 families in the area. Mark Stonefield's well tested positive for dangerous levels of TCE contamination. 'I'm furious,' homeowner Stonefield said. 'I'm very upset about it. That's the biggest problem I've had with this whole situation is the state knew about it in 2005. We bought this land in 2007 and built a house on it in 2008 and our kids have been drinking the water for over 4 years now and no one notified us there was even the possibility that the water could be contaminated.' Jesneck said, 'We have a finite number of resources.'

<http://www.dailymail.co.uk/news/article-2224787/North-Carolina-communities-water-contaminated-toxic-chemicals-years--told-them.html>

USA, CO, TELLURIDE, OCTOBER 29 2012. ASPHALT SPILL CLEANED UP >> COMMISSIONERS WRITE LETTER DETAILING CONCERNS OVER DELAY

A trucking company that spilled 7,000 pounds of hot asphalt onto the side of Highway 141 near Disappointment Valley says the spill has been cleaned up. The Oct. 1 rollover accident at mile point 24 involved a Groendyke Transport tanker truck out of Grand Junction. The cleanup of the asphalt was stalled for nearly three weeks, in part because of delays in securing permits from the Colorado Department of Transportation and the Bureau of Land Management. Oklahoma-based Groendyke Vice President of Safety Steve Niswander said the spill was completely cleaned up on Oct. 19. "It was cleaned up by nightfall last Friday," Niswander said. "We got the permits on Thursday." Grand Junction-based Storage Tank Technology Inc. (STTI) was contracted to do the clean-up work, which Niswander said was carried out with heavy equipment. Niswander said the company wanted to clean up the spill as soon after the accident as possible, but had to wait for the proper permits. "We are just sorry this unfortunate situation happened and we tried to clean it up as soon as we could," he said. "As soon as we got the permits, we accomplished it. We couldn't go digging out there until we got the permits." An Oct. 15 video taken by San Miguel County Sheriff Bill Masters shows a thick, black, oily substance that had spread over roughly 100 yards of desert, entrapping birds, and red plastic pieces and insulation from the truck and other accident debris next to the road. The video prompted outrage from San Miguel County Commissioners, who wrote a letter expressing their concern with the situation to the Colorado State Patrol, Gov. John Hickenlooper, the Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment and CDOT. "The board is very concerned that the first notice of the spill incident issued by Colorado Department of Public Health and Environment (CDPHE) on Oct. 2, 2012 did not include accurate information regarding what was spilled," commissioners wrote. The spill report described the asphalt as solid waste, but it was actually emulsified liquid. CDPHE spokesperson Mark Salley said the agency takes the reports as they are reported to them. "Sometimes the reports are preliminary and contain the reporting party's best description of the incident and even the amount of the spill," Salley wrote in an email. "The important thing is making sure the



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk



Dangerous Goods - Hazardous Materials Group & Network Release 2012 – 899 Newsy Stuff

<http://tech.groups.yahoo.com/group/DangerousGoods>

November 11 2012



Alliance Partner

JOIFF

www.joiff.com

Every effort has been undertaken to ensure information accuracy however it is not intended to be comprehensive nor to render advice, referred URL's are current at time of the edition release.

An Industry Partner of

ISCO

www.spillcontrol.org

spills are cleaned up by the responsible parties." Commissioners said in their letter that they were also concerned that STTI took a week to submit its first notice to CDOT for a special use permit. CDOT is the property owner and must issue a permit before crews can clean up a spill, but the agency has no authority to enforce a cleanup. CDOT officials have said the agency did not receive an application for a special use permit to clean up the accident site until Oct. 9 and were unaware it was an emergency situation. STTI employees referred all questions to Niswander. According to Niswander, STTI placed booms — barriers used in clean-ups — to contain the asphalt the day of the accident. "It sounds like some miscommunication," said county commissioner Art Goodtimes. "We don't know exactly what happened, but it was disturbing to us and disturbing to CDOT." The spill site is also archeologically rich, another factor that contributed to the cleanup delay. The BLM required an archeological survey before heavy equipment could be brought in. "We have four or five state agencies and a federal agency," Goodtimes said. "Our concern is we don't want this to happen again. We are very concerned about what's going on with the uranium mill and the hazmat trucks ... going in and out on Highway 141."

<http://www.telluridenews.com/articles/2012/10/28/news/doc508d57dd854e6638369137.txt>

LAOS, VIENTIANE, OCTOBER 30 2012. FUEL STATION IN LAOS UNVEILED TO PROMOTE PTT RETAIL BRAND



PTT launches a new-look, pilot integrated service station in Laos, paving way for the introduction of PTT brand ahead of the Asean Economic Community which will be activated in 2015. The first of the planned 60 stations by 2017 was unveiled today in Vientiane, to cater for modern lifestyles. The opening was presided over by Dr. Nam Viyaketh, Lao Minister of Industry and Trade, and Pailin Chuchottaworn, PTT president & CEO. This platinum PTT Life Station, the first outside Thailand, is designed to popularize the PTT brand among the region and timed for the launch of AEC. Thailand's neighbouring countries and the ASEAN region are considered a market with vast potential for PTT's business expansion to become a leading Thai multinational company, said Pailin. The launch of a platinum PTT Life Station, which has met with considerable success in Thailand, in Laos is regarded as a pilot retail investment move into a

neighbouring country. Laos is a high-potential market and a land link for Thailand to Vietnam, Cambodia, and China—all with healthy growth rates, particularly China, which is a huge market with 1.5 billion inhabitants. PTT is also keen to invest in countries with growth prospects like Myanmar and the Philippines, he added. PTT plans to invest Bt5-Bt6 billion in the retail oil markets in ASEAN over 2012-2016, aiming to expand the number of service stations in Laos from 20 today to 60 by the end of 2017 at an outlay of no less than Bt800 million. Its goal is to grow PTT's market share in Laos into number 2, rising from 150 million litres in sales which makes it No.3 player with a 13 market share at present. Leaders in the market are Lao State Fuel Company and PetroVietnam. "PTT's policy is to invest in the retail fuel business in ASEAN more explicitly, aiming at becoming a top-three retail brand in a given country—not just for oil and lubricating oil marketing, but also for other retail marketing activities accompanying service stations, like Café Amazon and Jiffy convenience stores," said the PTT President & CEO. As in Thailand, this station provides quality fuels and services under the same standards as found in Thailand, and serves as a rest area for travellers, complete with amenities and integrated outlets. These include a lubricating oil exchange center (Procheck), greasing & engine cleaning and air-conditioning system check-up service center (Wizard Autocare), and computerized gasoline pump control with sophisticated, standardized systems from Thailand. Complementing these are a Café Amazon shop from Thailand together with stores and service outlets under local brands, including financial services and convenience stores. In addition, PTT values community and environmental stewardship by applying projects resulting from HM the King's initiatives at this service station, namely vetiver planting in landscaping and soil improvement, and the installation of Chaipattana Low-speed Surface Aerators to improve the quality of water at the entrance to the service station. This is also a tribute to HM the King in a foreign country. PTT also donated traffic cones in support of traffic management in Vientiane.

<http://www.nationmultimedia.com/business/Fuel-station-in-Laos-unveiled-to-promote-PTT-retai-30193203.html>



This work is licensed under the Creative Commons Attribution-Non-Commercial-Share-Alike 3.0 Unported License.

The DG-Hazmat Group is proudly supported by:



Australian Petroleum Industry Contractors & Suppliers Association

www.tanknology.com.au

www.apicsa.com.au/

www.upp.co.uk