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### USA, MN, ST. PAUL, APRIL 21 2014. MAN INJURED IN PROPANE TANK EXPLOSION

A man was hospitalized Sunday afternoon after a propane tank in his vehicle exploded, according to fire officials. The incident happened around 12:30 p.m. in the parking lot of a Walmart on University Ave. Authorities say the man was transporting a 100 lbs. propane tank in his minivan and was not aware that it was leaking when he returned to his vehicle and started it. That's when the tank exploded and blew out the windows, injuring the man. Fire officials say he was taken to Regions hospital. They do not know the extent of his injuries.

<http://www.kare11.com/story/news/local/2014/04/20/man-hospitalized-after-propane-tank-explosion/7940859/>

### PAKISTAN, LAHORE, APRIL 21 2014. GAS BALLOONS' EXPLOSION INJURES OVER 25 PEOPLE

More than 25 people including children were injured on Sunday when around 300 gas-filled balloons exploded on Kamaha Road in Nishter Colony police area. The incident injured more than 25 persons, including children, when they were playing in the playground situated in Dokalan Village, Kamaha Road. On being informed, a number of locals gathered at the spot and immediately shifted all the injured persons to nearby hospitals. Eyewitnesses said that at least 300 gas balloons were released during the inauguration ceremony of the Walton flyover in the presence of Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif. The affected children were rushed to the nearest hospital by the locals. A police investigator said that preliminary findings indicated the balloons had exploded due to the sweltering heat. "The balloons were filled with gas and the weather was extremely hot, so the balloons exploded," he said. Rescue 1122 shifted twelve children who had suffered minor burns, from Lahore General Hospital to Jinnah Hospital, the spokesman said. Condition of a child was said to be critical. Punjab Chief Minister Shahbaz Sharif has taken notice of the incident and directed the Lahore DCO to look into the incident and submit a report in this regard.

<http://www.dailytimes.com.pk/punjab/21-Apr-2014/gas-balloons-explosion-injures-over-25-people>

### CHINA, JIANGSU PROVINCE, RUGAO CITY, BEIJING, APRIL 201 2014. CHINA FACTORY BLAST TOLL RISES TO EIGHT

The toll in the Wednesday's blast in a chemical plant in China's Jiangsu province reached eight after another body was found Saturday, authorities said. The incident, which also left nine people injured, occurred at Shuangma Chemical Plant in Rugao City. The wounded people's condition is stable, Xinhua quoted a source as saying. Established in 1997, Shuangma Chemical Plant mainly produces edible palm oil. The incident is under investigation

[http://www.ianslive.in/index.php?param=news/China\\_factory\\_blast\\_toll\\_rises\\_to\\_eight-419413/INTERNATIONAL/13](http://www.ianslive.in/index.php?param=news/China_factory_blast_toll_rises_to_eight-419413/INTERNATIONAL/13)

### SCOTLAND, EIGG, APRIL 21 2014. BUOY ON EIGG WHICH KIDS PLAYED ON AND ISLANDERS ENJOYED BEACH FIRES AROUND TURNS OUT TO BE GIANT WORLD WAR II MINE

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Controlled explosions were carried out on the mine after police were alerted to it by Ben Cormack, who realised there might be something more to the iron ball after winter storms blew the sand away to reveal its true identity. A bomb disposal team rushed to Eigg after islanders discovered a buoy was in fact a huge wartime mine. For years, children played on the iron ball on the Hebridean island's Laig Beach and even lit fires and barbecues nearby. But storms blew away the sand to reveal that what they thought was a buoy was in fact a mine with its full explosive casing intact. Postman John Cormack – whose home is 100 yards from the beach where the mine was buried – was evacuated while controlled explosions were carried out. It was his son Ben who uncovered the truth. Graphic designer Ben said: "The winter storms removed about a foot of the sand's depth and revealed what looked like a sea mine. "It was a bit of a worry because it was only a stone's throw away from my dad's front door. "It had always been presumed to be an old wartime buoy. There have been many beach fires around it. "I couldn't be sure so I took a picture and emailed it to the police. Within an hour, they phoned me to say that the Navy Bomb Disposal Unit were coming to look at it. "The sergeant in charge was at first very concerned as the explosive casing appeared to be intact, which would



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contain around 300lb of high explosives. "The houses would need to be evacuated, animals moved and the mine dragged as far away as possible at low tide and buried as deep in the sand before a controlled detonation could even be attempted. "Luckily, when they started cleaning it, they found the casing to be full of sand, not explosives. "To be sure, the team performed several small controlled explosions on the mine to break it apart." Ben, 32, added: "The mine was a British one used to protect Allied shipping lanes in World War II from German U-boats and warships. It's a rare example as they are not usually found with the explosive casing still intact. That's why they were very worried." Police Scotland said: "We received a call from the Isle of Eigg about a wartime sea mine. Our officers in Fort William were advised. "The matter was handed over to the Navy Explosive Ordnance Disposal, who successfully carried out a controlled explosion. We'd like to thank the member of public who contacted us from Eigg." Dave Macbeth, of Stornoway Coastguard, who were also involved in the operation, said: "The guy did good. He realised that this was something more than people thought and he was right."

<http://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/scottish-news/pictures-buoy-eigg-kids-played-3434625>

### **NEW ZEALAND, LYTTLETON HARBOR, APRIL 21 2014. MOBIL IN PORT OIL SPILL INQUIRY**

*shelley robinson*

Mobil's response to a Lyttelton Harbour fuel spill is being investigated as the regional council's harbour master voices concerns about how the oil giant reacted. A landslide hit two of Mobil's tanks in Lyttelton during a storm on March 5, rupturing a tank with 1.2 million litres of jet fuel. Another tank with 91 octane petrol was dented but did not rupture. Mobil's bund, or secondary containment backup, built for such incidents, should have held all 1.2 million litres after the rupture, but it failed and jet fuel spilled into nearby drains and the harbour. The stench of fuel forced 19 homes to be evacuated and left 10 house boats inaccessible for more than four days. A Press investigation into the oil spill found: Fuel leaked into Lyttelton Harbour because there was no way to close up five holes in the bund. The holes have since been concreted over. Workers at the site tried to make-shift bungs or corks to put in the holes using bits of tree branches brought down during the weather. Photos and emails released under the Official Information Act show earthquake-repair work on parts of the bund. Fuel escaped through gaps in these repairs. Environment Canterbury (ECan) and Worksafe New Zealand are investigating. ECan on-scene commander for marine response and harbour master Jim Dilley told The Press he saw the fuel escaping from the gaps in the bund that had been repaired. A Mobil official told him they were earthquake repair patch jobs, he said. Dilley arrived on site about 4pm, more than two hours after the landslide. He said he watched men with a saw making makeshift bungs from trees. "The chaps there had taken some of the trees which had broken in the storm, the branches, and were shaping them with tapered ends into make-shift bungs and started banging them in." The bund had holes and there was no mechanism to close them, Dilley said. "I am surprised in a facility that is meant to keep liquid in, that there were these holes and no way of closing them." Mobil did not answer questions from The Press on what the purpose of the holes were and why there was no way of closing them. Dilley said he was taken around the bund by a Mobil official and noticed some fuel flowing out of the earthquake patch jobs. The leaks were on the opposite side of the landslide more than 100 metres away. They were few and the incident was containable, he said. There was no fuel in the harbour at that stage but he advised Mobil to block the drain next door to the bund with sandbags and clay. Dilley then sent an email to several parties, including ECan chief executive Bill Bayfield, Maritime New Zealand, and Lyttelton Port Company boss Peter Davie. He told them the bund "is holding" and if the other tank of 91 octane started leaking "there was remaining capacity in the bund" for it. Within hours the situation had changed, Dilley said. "I was called back 3am in the morning, four hours after I left, went down to the site again and a larger number of leaks were evident - they were everywhere in the bund wall. "Jet fuel was actually evident on the surface of the land and this was in a flowing state like small rivers . . . rivers of jet fuel moving away from the bund." There was evidence of fuel in the harbour. The ECan team worked to stop the flow of fuel and water from the stormwater outlet into the harbour. Another source, who was on site, told The Press ECan was forced to take over the land response. ECan would usually only be responsible for the marine response. The source said: "We [responders] were strongly suggesting courses of action to [Mobil] and when they weren't following up . . . ECan did them. "That included blocking the drains, setting up collection points, pumping the gas from the bund, organising sucker trucks, making clay bunds to stop the flow from the bund, pumping that gas back into the bund and setting up collection tanks and pumping the fuel into those collection tanks," the source said. Dilley said the ECan team was focused on stopping more fuel entering the harbour. Mobil told The Press it responded quickly. "The response required considerable resources with additional people and specialist expertise obtained from other Mobil facilities . . ." Dilley said other tank farm operators from NZ Oil Services Ltd helped at the site. They, not Mobil, provided a tank to hold the fuel being pumped from outside and inside the bund, he said. After 36 hours, the ECan team began handing the reins over to Mobil officials.

<http://www.stuff.co.nz/national/9961953/Mobil-in-port-oil-spill-inquiry>



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### CANADA, B.C, VANCOUVER, APRIL 21 2014. VANCOUVER SEEKS OIL SPILL RISK ASSESSMENT >> CITY WANTS TO PICK, WITH TESORO-SAVAGE PAYING, AN INDEPENDENT ANALYST

*aaron corvin & erin middlewood*



*A train hauling oil passes through the Columbia River Gorge on its way to Vancouver in March.*

- Previously: Tesoro Corp. and Savage Companies filed an application in August with the state's Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council to build a \$110 million oil terminal at the Port of Vancouver to handle as much as 380,000 barrels of crude a day.
- What's new: The city of Vancouver is seeking an independent analysis of emergency agencies' capability to respond to an oil spill or explosion anywhere from Skamania County to the mouth of the Columbia River.
- What's next: Tesoro-Savage and the city will work out details for commissioning the study, which would be completed by an independent

contractor.

The city of Vancouver is seeking an independent assessment of the region's readiness for possible oil spills, explosions or other accidents that may result from the Northwest's largest proposed oil-by-train terminal. "We don't have experience with this kind of crude or volume," Deputy Fire Chief Dan Olson said. Tesoro Corp. and Savage Companies want to build an oil terminal at the Port of Vancouver to handle as much as 380,000 barrels of crude a day. The state's Energy Facility Site Evaluation Council is weighing the proposal. The council will make a recommendation to Gov. Jay Inslee, who has the final say. If approved, the Tesoro-Savage terminal would receive as many as five full mile-long unit trains of crude a day. Recent fiery derailments in Quebec, Alabama, North Dakota and New Brunswick have raised concerns about the safety of transporting oil by rail. "The biggest threat in hazmat is in transportation — when it's moving," said Battalion Chief Stephen Eldred, who oversees Vancouver Fire's hazardous materials team. The team has 21 members spread across shifts, so just a few are on duty at any given time. The team responds not only to spills here, but also in Skamania, Cowlitz and Wahkiakum counties. Likewise, hazmat teams in the Portland area would assist Vancouver Fire with incidents here. Tesoro and Savage have agreed to pay for an analysis to identify deficiencies in the capabilities of emergency responders along the Columbia River from the eastern boundary of Skamania County through the mouth of the Columbia River. "The intent is to determine any gaps prior to the terminal being built and to rectify them before operations commence," Jennifer Minx, a spokeswoman for Tesoro, said in an email to The Columbian. The parties are still working out the details. The city wants to be in charge of hiring the independent contractor for the study, with Tesoro-Savage providing reimbursement. "We're treading carefully and transparently to make sure Vancouver citizens' needs are met," Vancouver Fire Marshal Heidi Scarpelli said. Minx said the city will select and manage the contractor. The results of the study will "ultimately become part of the public record," she said. "Tesoro-Savage would like to review the report before it's made broadly available to ensure we have the opportunity to address any concerns it brings to light."

#### Local Precedent

The city commissioned a similar study when San Antonio-based NuStar Energy L.P. added methanol to the list of chemicals it handles at two Vancouver storage centers in 2007. Tesoro already has offered training for firefighters, according to emails obtained by The Columbian from the city through a public disclosure request, but the fire department is holding off on that for now, Eldred said. A team from the city's fire and building departments, however, accepted Tesoro's invitation to tour its oil-by-rail unloading facility in Anacortes that's similar to the one proposed for Vancouver. City officials, however, declined the company's offer to pay for the trip. The city's budget covered the approximately \$1,200 cost of the one-night August trip for six officials, Scarpelli said. Tesoro's unloading facility in Anacortes is operated by Savage and is adjacent to a Tesoro oil refinery. During the tour, Minx said, Tesoro showed the Vancouver officials the crude rail unloading operation and parts of the nearby refinery "to give them a chance to see our facilities in action, specifically demonstrating how unloading is a very careful, contained process." In Anacortes, unit trains have to be split for handling, something that won't be necessary at the Port of Vancouver, where a whole unit train can loop through the unloading area. Opponents of building an oil terminal at the port have raised concerns about Tesoro's tarnished safety record, including the explosion in 2010 that killed seven people at Anacortes. In January, the U.S. Chemical Safety Board said its investigation into the 2010 explosion found several root causes, including Tesoro's "deficient refinery safety culture" and a regulatory system that "too often emphasizes activities rather than outcomes." However, Eldred and Scarpelli said they were impressed by what they saw in Anacortes. "Personally, I



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felt pretty comfortable with it," Eldred said. "Their operation seemed pretty straightforward." "It was spotless," Scarpelli added. "They were very serious about safety there."

### Another Project

As much attention as Vancouver fire officials are paying to the proposed Tesoro-Savage terminal, they also are eyeing another possible crude-oil storage project that has the potential to be running much sooner. NuStar Energy wants to handle as much as 50,000 barrels a day at its Vancouver bulk terminals. It has applied for an air discharge permit from the Southwest Clean Air Agency, but has yet to seek any permits from the city of Vancouver. Scarpelli, the fire marshal, said such a conversion would at least require an updated operational permit from her office. "Right now, it's speculation until we have something filed with the city of Vancouver," Scarpelli said. With two crude oil facilities planned for Vancouver and an increase in oil trains passing through, emergency responders say they will do their best to prepare, but it's probably impossible to ramp up for a derailment like the one in July that killed 47 people and torched much of downtown Lac-Megantic, Quebec. "You can prepare based on your typical threat," Eldred said. "To prepare for an incident like that would break the city."

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### SOUTH AFRICA, DURBAN, APRIL 21 2014. PHONE EXPLOSIONS CAUSED BY CHEAP BATTERIES

jeff wicks



*The remnants of Ina-Cherie Vermaak's cellphone.*

The danger of your cellphone exploding is all too real, with imitation parts thought to have contributed to a curious case in Gauteng this week. On Tuesday a teenage girl from Wonderboom South was traumatised when her Blackberry cellphone exploded in her school bag. Ina-Cherie Vermaak, 16, who attends a Christian school north of Pretoria, was walking to class after break when she heard a loud explosion, her mother told sister publication Pretoria News. Her Blackberry cellphone's battery had suddenly exploded. "Classmates rushed to help her out of the cloud of white smoke. Everyone got a huge fright. She was incredibly shocked because it was a massive explosion," her mother said. The school had phoned her mother who took her distraught daughter to hospital for a check-up. "I cannot believe something like this could happen, but I am so glad she's okay," her mother said. She branded the phone "dangerous" and said

children should be warned that incidents like this one could happen. She said she did not know why the cellphone exploded. "I am just so glad the battery didn't burn her. It burnt a hole in her school uniform," the mother said. Durban electronics engineer Mitch Broughton said that often aftermarket batteries are to blame. "On the market there are cheaply produced batteries which do not face the same stringent quality and control measures that the handsets at the big cellphone companies are subjected to," he said. "The lithium ion battery is controlled by a small board in the device itself which regulates the charge. When there is a heat and pressure build up, these batteries have been known to bulge which is not usually a problem. "The problem arises when imitation batteries without the proper control boards have a build-up in heat and explode. Lithium is a soft metal which is highly reactive to oxygen so the potential for danger is present," Broughton said. Blackberry South Africa spokesperson Mmakafela Mojapelo said: "We take claims of this nature very seriously and are investigating this matter as a priority."

### Related Stories

- [Why cellphone batteries explode](#)
- [Girl traumatised after phone explodes](#)

<http://www.iol.co.za/news/south-africa/kwazulu-natal/phone-explosions-caused-by-cheap-batteries-1.1678127#U1TE9MZmim4>

### USA, WASHINGTON DC, APRIL 22 2014. EPA ACKNOWLEDGES ETHANOL DAMAGES ENGINES

courtesy of american motorcyclist association

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency has publicly acknowledged that ethanol in gasoline can damage internal combustion engines by increasing exhaust temperatures and indirectly causing component failures, the American Motorcyclist Association reports. The EPA statements are found in a rule proposal issued by the Federal Trade Commission regarding a new label for pumps that supply fuel blends high in ethanol. According to the EPA, "[e]thanol impacts motor vehicles in two



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primary ways. First ... ethanol enleans the [air/fuel] ratio (increases the proportion of oxygen relative to hydrocarbons) which can lead to increased exhaust gas temperatures and potentially increase incremental deterioration of emission control hardware and performance over time, possibly causing catalyst failure. Second, ethanol can cause materials compatibility issues, which may lead to other component failures. "In motorcycles and nonroad products [using E15 and higher ethanol blends], EPA raised engine-failure concerns from overheating." These EPA statements, contained in the FTC document, back the long-held position of the AMA. "The American Motorcyclist Association has fought the distribution of E15 fuel blends in an effort to protect motorcycle and all-terrain vehicles from the damage that ethanol causes," said Wayne Allard, AMA vice president for government relations. "Now the EPA acknowledges that ethanol itself is harmful to emissions hardware and other components on all motor vehicles. It is time for the federal government to pause, take a hard look at this product and change its entire approach to ethanol in fuels." E15 is a gasoline formulation that contains up to 15 percent ethanol by volume. None of the estimated 22 million motorcycles and ATVs currently in operation can use fuels with blends higher than 10 percent ethanol. Doing so could void the manufacturer's warranty, in addition to causing damage to the vehicle. The AMA applauded the EPA's decision in its proposed rule to roll back the requirement for wider distribution and use of E15 under its Renewable Fuel Standard. The AMA also is concerned about the continued availability of E10 blends and E0 fuels -- gasoline with zero ethanol content -- if E15 is allowed to permeate the marketplace.

<http://www.motorcycle-usa.com/2/18291/Motorcycle-Article/EPA-Acknowledges-Ethanol-Damages-Engines.aspx>

### USA, CA, OAKLAND, APRIL 22 2014. TANKER TRAILER CARRYING 43,000 POUNDS OF A FUEL ADDITIVE SPILLS FUEL AND CLOSES WEST OAKLAND FREEWAY ON- AND OFF RAMPS

*harry harris & natalie neysa alund*

The on- and offramps to Interstate 880 at West Grand Avenue in West Oakland were closed Monday afternoon after a big rig overturned and spilled more than 40 gallons of diesel fuel, according to the California Highway Patrol. The wreck happened about 3:05 p.m. on the northbound I-880 onramp at West Grand, and left the tractor-trailer on its side, said Officer Sean Wilkenson. No one was injured and both ramps were expected to be closed until at least 5 p.m. At least 40 gallons of diesel fuel spilled from the truck, which was hauling a tanker trailer carrying 43,000 pounds of a fuel additive, Wilkenson said. The tanker was not breached and nothing spilled from it, authorities said. As a precaution and to keep the area clear of traffic during cleanup operations, the southbound offramp was also closed. A mechanical failure may be to blame for the wreck, Wilkenson said. Commercial officers were on scene about 4 p.m. inspecting the big rig to determine the exact cause of the crash, he said. "We're waiting for the company to bring another tanker out to empty it so we can remove it from the roadway," Wilkenson said. The Oakland Fire Department was able to contain the spill but requested an environmental cleanup company to respond to assist.

[http://www.mercurynews.com/ci\\_25609679/fuel-spill-closes-west-oakland-freeway-and-offramps](http://www.mercurynews.com/ci_25609679/fuel-spill-closes-west-oakland-freeway-and-offramps)

### ENGLAND, HAMPSHIRE, WEST WELLOW, APRIL 22 2014. PIPELINE CLOSED IN UK OIL THEFT PROBE



One of the UK's main underground oil pipes has been shut down as police investigate whether tens of thousands of litres of fuel have been extracted from it. Two men have been arrested after a large quantity of diesel was discovered in a warehouse in West Wellow, on the Hampshire/Wiltshire border, on Thursday. The suspects, aged 32 and 34, were arrested in Salisbury, Wiltshire, and are being questioned by detectives from Hampshire police. It is understood that detectives are investigating whether the 30,000 litres of fuel was extracted from a pipeline running from the Esso refinery at Fawley. The Midline pipeline was built in the 1980s and runs underground carrying fuel through Wiltshire to the Midlands, including Birmingham International Airport. Officials from the

Environment Agency and health and safety experts have attended the crime scene to ensure the safety of the area. An Esso spokesman said: "Esso is assisting Hampshire Police with their inquiries following the discovery of a store of fuel in the Romsey area. "Early indications suggest that the fuel may have come from a nearby Esso pipeline. Investigations continue into whether this is the case. "Esso is committed to the very highest standards of safety. The pipeline has therefore been closed down and our specialists are working to check it and, if necessary, effect any repair. "We will not resume operations of the pipeline until this work is complete." A Hampshire police spokesman said: "We can confirm two men, aged 32 and 34 from the Salisbury area, remain in police custody for questioning this evening. "Both men were arrested in Salisbury last night on



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suspicion of conspiracy to steal fuel. "Police launched an investigation after a large quantity of diesel was found in an industrial storage unit at West Wellow. "Lines of inquiry include establishing the exact amount of fuel stolen and examining the suspected sophisticated method used in this alleged theft. "The discovery was made by the unit's owner at around 7.30pm on Thursday. It is believed to have been illegally obtained. "The exact quantity and circumstances surrounding the accumulation of fuel are central to the investigation, and detectives are focusing on identifying those responsible. "The fuel is stored safely and securely and is being retrieved by engineers from the nearby Esso refinery. "The investigation, led by Lyndhurst CID, is still in its early stages and this is all the information we are able to release at this time." The suspects are being questioned at a Hampshire police station and can be held until 6.30am tomorrow.

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<http://www.breakingnews.ie/world/pipeline-closed-in-uk-oil-theft-probe-628447.html>

### PAKISTAN, VEHARI, APRIL 21 2014. SIX DIE OF 'SUFFOCATION' IN SEWAGE DISPOSAL WELL

*gulzar baig*

Six people, including three Mailsi Tehsil Municipal administration employees, died after being suffocated in a sewage disposal well situated at Jallah-Jeem Union Council on Sunday, some 50km from here. According to local sources, the turbine of the sewage disposal well went out of order. Naseer Ahmed, the in charge of the disposal station, went down the well to repair the turbine, but passed out because of suffocation caused by fumes emanating from the sewage. After receiving no response from Naseer, two other TMA employees went down, along with three hired labourers, to save him. However, all of them fainted due to the accumulated sewage fumes in the well. The situation was reported to Rescue 1122 service personnel who arrived on the spot and brought all the six men out. Out of them, three died on the spot, while the rest of them expired at the Jallah-Jeem Rural Health Centre (RHC). Those who died were; disposal station in charge Naseer Ahmed, Grade-IV TMA employees Rao Akram and Tahir Mubeen and three labourers Iqbal, Fiaz and Moeen. All of them belonged to the Jallah Jeem. According to Rescue 1122 media co-coordinator Waqas Anwer, another labourer, Aslam, who had also went down the well, was rescued. Mailsi's former TMO Mian Azher told Dawn that due to Easter and weekly holiday on Sunday all the TMA sewer men were on leave. In the absence of the sewer men, the TMA employees tried to repair the disposal turbine on their own, resulting in the tragic incident.

#### Protest:

Vehari District Coordination Officer Jawad Akram suspended from service Jallah Jeem RHC staff, including three doctors, allegedly for showing negligence in treating the three fainted men, following protest and road blockade by locals and relatives of the deceased people. Those suspended include RHC in charge Dr Fazil, Dr Atta Zafar, a lady doctor, ambulance driver Manzoor. The DCO also ordered a probe into the incident. Following the incident, relatives of the deceased, along with locals, staged a demonstration in front of the RHC and raised slogans against the on-duty staff. The protesters alleged the three people who were brought fainted to the RHC died due to doctors' negligence. The protesters burnt the furniture of the RHC and the nearby residence of Dr Fazil. They also pelted the buildings with stones. Later, they blocked Mailsi-Jallah Jeem road for six hours. The protesters demanded registration of a murder case against the RHC staff. The police used teargas shells and resorted to baton-charge to disperse the protesters who refused to budge. However, they dispersed following assurances given by Multan Regional Police Officer Amin Wains and Vehari District Police Officer Sadiq Ali Dogar that those responsible for the deaths would be nabbed. The DPO told Dawn that the situation was under control. He said that strict action according to law would be taken against those responsible for the deaths. The Rescue 1122 personnel claimed that when their team reached the spot from Vehari, three people had already died, while the others had passed out who later expired at the RHC. The bodies were handed over to bereaved families after autopsies at Mailsi THQ Hospital.

<http://www.dawn.com/news/1101330/six-die-of-suffocation-in-sewage-disposal-well>

### USA, CO, DENVER, APRIL 22 2014. OIL AND GAS SPILL REPORT FOR APRIL 21

- The following spills were reported to the Colorado Oil and Gas Conservation Commission in the past two weeks. Information is based on Form 19, which operators must fill out detailing the leakage/spill events. Any spill release which may impact waters of the state must be reported as soon as practical. Any spill of five barrels or more must be reported within 24 hours, and any spill of one barrel or more which occurs outside secondary containment, such as



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metal or earthen berms, must also be reported within 24 hours, according to COGCC rules. Spills and leaks are typically found during routine maintenance on existing wells, though some actual "spills" do occur among the 19,000-plus wells in the county:

- Bayswater Exploration & Production, reported that on April 2, equipment failed at a tank battery in Windsor. A water leg was lost in a separator and about 23 barrels of oil were spilled. The spill was contained within the berm and about 13 barrels of oil were recovered with a vacuum truck. The company re-leveled the separator to remove slight slope towards the water box end.
- Noble Energy Inc., reported that on April 7, a water vault was found leaking at a well in LaSalle. The company shut in all equipment and began remediation. It is unknown how much oil and water were spilled and none were recovered. The company will continue to check water vaults to determine leaks and replace the vaults.
- Noble Energy Inc., reported that on April 9, it was determined that flow lines near LaSalle, Kersey and Keenesburg had developed leaks. The crews shut in all equipment and began remediation. It is unknown how much oil and water were spilled in the three areas and none were recovered. The company will continue to check flow lines to determine leaks.
- Bonanza Creek Energy Operating Company LLC, reported that on April 11, the crew was relocating two concrete water vaults when they noticed a historical produced water release at a tank battery in Kersey. The release occurred inside secondary containment. The amount of water spilled is to be determined and none has been recovered. The crew removed the water vaults and will excavate the impacted soil to take to a disposal facility. The company will continue to monitor and inspect water vaults.

<http://www.greeleytribune.com/news/11089812-113/reported-spill-company-oil>

### CANADA, ONT, PICKERING, APRIL 22 2014. PICKERING FIRE GETS PROACTIVE IN THE WAKE OF RAIL DISASTER >> LOCAL FIREFIGHTERS COMPLETING EXTRA HAZARDOUS GOODS TRAINING

jillian follert

 **Photo's [3]** [Pickering Fire Gets Proactive in The Wake of Rail Disaster](#)



Eric Woolley, left, Captain Greg Jackson, middle, and Chad Redshaw, right, from Pickering Fire Station 5 demonstrated hose operation which might be employed during a hazardous spill containment. Fire response teams would spray foam instead of water to cover the chemical spill, then rail crews would be responsible for the clean up. Firefighters from the station recently completed training courses for emergency services responding to hazardous spills and disasters, to be better prepared for possible rail disasters like the tragedy last year in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec. April 16, 2014.

Pickering firefighters are refreshing their training in the wake of last summer's rail disaster in Lac-Mégantic, Quebec. On July 6, 2013, a 73-car freight train carrying crude oil derailed in the small Quebec town, resulting in a massive explosion. Forty-seven people died in the tragedy and more than 30 buildings were destroyed. Pickering Fire Chief John Hagg says the department wanted to

be proactive and launched an immediate review after the Quebec disaster. "Only a small percentage of goods carried by rail are hazardous," Chief Hagg says. "But we want to be as prepared as possible." Examples of hazardous materials transported by rail include crude oil, ethanol, methane gas, chlorine, diesel fuel and sulfuric acid. These substances can create emergency scenarios if they are spilled, such as gaseous substances dispersing into the air, fires, explosions and liquids seeping into the water table. Pickering firefighters have now completed training with CN Rail to learn more about rail cars, the types of goods they carry and how to work with the rail company if there is an emergency. Most of Pickering's fire suppression staff have also finished hazardous materials training focused on performing rescues and securing a scene using tools such as foam that is poured over spills.

#### The training is Ongoing.

Despite the frightening images of the Lac-Mégantic disaster, Pickering fire officials stress local residents shouldn't live in fear of rail disasters. "The public should have a sense of assurance that rail transport is quite safe," says Pickering Fire Deputy Chief Jason Yoshida. "Rail cars are built to be rugged, there is lots of protection built in." Last November, Transport Canada



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directed Canadian rail lines to release historic data on dangerous goods to municipalities four times per year. Chief Hagg says he expects to start receiving the information this month.

<http://www.durhamregion.com/news-story/4472511-pickering-fire-gets-proactive-in-the-wake-of-rail-disaster/>

### USA, WI, GREEN BAY, APRIL 22 2014. MAN RESCUED FROM FUEL STORAGE TANK

Nathan Phelps



*Green Bay Metro Fire Department crews rescued a man from a fuel storage tank at U.S. Oil in Green Bay Monday.*

Firefighters rescued a man from inside a large fuel storage tank Monday. A worker at U.S. Oil Co. tank farm at 1075 Hurlbut Court collapsed in a gasoline storage tank, according to the Green Bay Metro Fire Department. He was transported to a local hospital, but his condition was not known Monday afternoon. Green Bay Metro Fire Department crews were called to the tank farm just after 11 a.m. Their rescue was successful, although a floating floor inside the tank that moves up and down with the gasoline to prevent the build up of potentially explosive vapors created additional challenges. "We had to sent personnel down into the tank and packaged him up in a Stokes basket, which is a rescue device, and then brought him up from the floating roof on to the roof of

the tank," Battalion Chief Rob Goplin said. "Then we brought him to one of our ladder trucks and brought him down to the ground and transported him." The department has firefighters trained in technical rescues, and a number of those people were involved in Monday's rescue. "We train for any rescue like this ... where it's beyond your normal call where you have to use ropes, perhaps pulleys, and it includes a confined space with a hazardous material," Goplin said. "We train for all those scenarios and this one kind of put all of those hazards into one incident." He described this type of rescue as extremely unusual. "This is a very rare type of incident," said Goplin, who has been with the department for nearly 17 years. "In my time on the department we have not had an incident like this involving one of those tanks before." Firefighters had to wear respiratory protection because of conditions in the tank.

**Related Stories** [Firefighters rescue man from fuel storage tank](http://www.greenbaypressgazette.com/article/20140421/GPG0101/304210322/Man-rescued-from-fuel-storage-tank?nclck_check=1)

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### USA, W.VA, CHARLESTON, APRIL 22 2014. LAWSUITS OVER CHEMICAL SPILL MOVING FORWARD

kate white



*The Freedom Industries tank farm on the Elk River, a few days after the chemical spill in January.*

A federal judge in Charleston has partially consolidated more than 60 lawsuits filed against Freedom Industries and West Virginia American Water over the Jan. 9 chemical spill. To avoid confusion and save time and money, U.S. District Court Judge John Copenhaver on Friday lumped together the plaintiffs' requests to move the cases back to state court. "The risk of inconsistent adjudications, substantial expense to the parties, and inefficient use of court resources markedly increases here if the court declines consolidation at least to some extent," Copenhaver wrote. On Jan. 9, Crude MCHM, a coal-cleaning chemical, seeped from a tank at Freedom Industries on Barlow Drive and into the Elk River, contaminating the water supply of 300,000 West Virginians. About a week

after the leak, Freedom filed for Chapter 11 bankruptcy, which halted lawsuits filed against it. Because of that and after it became clear Freedom was a dying company and wouldn't have any money after it paid environmental remediation costs and attorneys fees, most plaintiffs dropped Freedom from their lawsuits. Attorneys for Freedom Industries have said in court documents they still expect they will be hit with claims later in lawsuits that don't include the company as a defendant. Last week, the cases resumed, after Copenhaver allowed them to be moved out of bankruptcy court. Attorneys for Freedom and the water company had both asked the cases be moved to U.S. District Court. "It's a way to take a hold of this and get order out of the chaos," said plaintiffs attorney Harvey Peyton. There are 62 lawsuits that have been filed over the chemical leak; 38



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of which ask to be granted class action status, according to court documents. All of the lawsuits involve at least one or more claim of bodily injury, emotional distress or a request for medical monitoring to detect bodily injury in the future; annoyance, loss of enjoyment, nuisance and inconvenience; property claims and financial claims, like lost income or loss of business. Peyton said Monday that Copenhagen's order that consolidates the cases on a limited basis for administrative purposes will determine if the cases continue in federal court or are sent back to state court. "It's a really good first positive step to sort things out to find out where the games are going to be played," Peyton said.

<http://wvgazette.com/article/20140421/GZ01/140429894>

### AUSTRALIA, NEW SOUTH WALES, DUBBO, APRIL 22 2014. FUEL LEAK BLOCKS CBD ACCESS AT DUBBO

mark Rayner



Macquarie Street was blocked for more than an hour yesterday afternoon as emergency services dealt with a potential fuel leak. Dubbo Fire and Rescue were called before 1.30pm yesterday afternoon after the liquid coming from a water tap at the rear of the premises smelt like fuel. Fire officers investigated and found a pit in Macquarie Street that was leaking and triggered a low explosive limit. Police from Orana Local Area Command were called and a decision was made to close the street. Macquarie Street was blocked to traffic between Church Street and Talbragar Street, while approximately 50 people were evacuating from buildings between Church Street and the intersection in front of Riverdale Shopping Centre, with the exception of the Amaroo Hotel, Mr

Bean's Coffee Emporium and Riverdale. Fire and Rescue and Dubbo City Council determined the leak at the front of the building had brought up fuel that had then led to the strong scent of fuel at the back of the property. The leak was fixed by replacing a washer and all traces of the fuel disappeared. Dubbo Fire and Rescue station officer Nick Beattie said while it was a relatively easy fix, it took a long time to trace the problem back to the cause. "The previous occupant of the premises was a car dealership which had fuel bowzers and it appears this water leak has brought up some residual fuel. The problem was first detected at a tap at the back of the premises which smelt like pure fuel but the cause was at the front of the property. "It took a fair bit of investigating to actually find the cause of the fuel leak." Shortly after 3.30pm, council staff and the fire brigade were satisfied the threat had been removed. The southbound lane of Macquarie Street was reopened and by 3.45pm both lanes were open to traffic. Station Officer Beattie said council will continue to investigate the problem today, with Fire and Rescue also liaising. "Dubbo City Council will look for the exact source of the fuel, with the knowledge that there were petrol tanks at the premises," he said. The Environmental Protection Authority were also alerted to the threat and were satisfied with how it was handled.

 **Related Stories** [Unidentified substance leaking in Macquarie Street](#)

<http://www.dailyliberal.com.au/story/2231570/fuel-leak-blocks-cbd-access-at-dubbo-photos/?cs=111>

### USA, PA, ALLENTOWN, APRIL 22 2014. ATLAS OIL SELLS BP ASSETS IN CHICAGO, NORTHWEST INDIANA >> LEHIGH GAS PARTNERS ACQUIRING CONTRACTS, STATIONS



Atlas Oil Co. announced its planned sale of its [BP](#)-branded assets in Chicago and northwestern Indiana to [Lehigh Gas Partners LP](#), Allentown, Pa, and Parent Petroleum Inc., St. Charles, Ill. Atlas Oil supplies BP gas stations in that region with BP-branded gasoline and other fuel products. As reported in a 21st Century Smoke/CSP Daily NewsFlash, Lehigh Gas Partners entered into an asset purchase agreement with affiliates of Atlas Oil to purchase 55 wholesale supply contracts, 11 fee or leasehold sites, two commission marketing contracts and certain other assets for total consideration of \$38.5 million. In addition, Lehigh Gas Partners is acquiring certain other short-term financing assets associated with the acquired wholesale supply and commission marketing contracts for \$11.9 million, bringing the total consideration for the transaction to \$50.4 million, subject to certain closing adjustments. The 55 wholesale supply contracts have a weighted average term remaining of approximately 15 years. The 11 fee or leasehold sites are all currently leased to third party commission agents. The short-term financing assets relate to



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previously negotiated purchase agreements of certain sites by the dealers occupying the locations. All of the financing assets relate to sites that are supplied under contracts acquired in the transaction. The financing assets have a weighted average maturity of approximately June 2015. The transaction is expected to close during the second quarter 2014. "We are pleased to enter the Chicago market and to expand our relationship with BP," said Lehigh Gas Partners chairman and CEO Joe Topper. "The transaction enables us to acquire quality assets and provides us immediate scale in the region and a base for us to support future growth." Michael Evans, president and COO of Atlas Oil, said, "Atlas and BP have had a strong relationship and have been brand partners for a number of years. After careful analysis, we determined this to be the right decision. Atlas Oil remains committed to the growth of its fuel distribution and supply management businesses."

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- [Atlas Oil Sells BP Assets in Chicago, Northwest Indiana](#)
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- [Lehigh Gas Sees Riches in Richmond, Va., Market](#) 3/7/2014

<http://www.cspnet.com/mergers-acquisition-growth/mergers-acquisitions-news/articles/atlas-oil-sells-bp-assets-chicago>

### USA, PA, CANTON TWP, APRIL 22 2014. 3 TANKER TRUCKS CRASH IN CANTON TOWNSHIP, SPILLING FRACKING WATER, DIESEL FUEL

#### Watch the Video's:

- [Sky 4 flies over crash scene in Canton Township](#)
- [Watch the report by Jackie Schafer in Canton Township](#)

#### Photo's [11] [Tanker trucks spill diesel, fracking water](#)



Two fracking water tankers and a third, larger tanker truck were all involved in a crash Monday morning in Washington County, causing a hazmat situation that closed Henderson Avenue. Canton Township Fire Chief Dave Gump estimated between 1,200 and 1,300 gallons of diesel fuel may have spilled into nearby Chartiers Creek. A team from the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection has responded and is working in the creek. They placed booms in the creek to soak up the oil and were performing tests for high chlorides and radioactivity. They said they would also perform an oil analysis. "We've contained all the drains. We've notified the DEP. They're here. It did get in the creek -- roughly a 1-mile stretch of creek," Gump said. Fracking water and diesel fuel both spilled onto the road, but at this point only the fuel has been confirmed to have gone into the creek. "The frack truck, when he hit it, he ruptured a valve in the back. We had diesel and frack water both running down the road," Gump said. The fracking water tankers, driven by workers for Highland Environmental LLC, were stopped at a red light at Henderson and Oak Grove roads when the third tanker hit them from behind, according to state police in Washington, Pa. After being hit, one of the trucks rolled and landed on its left side in the parking lot of Lowry's Western Shop, police said. One driver was treated for a head injury and one driver was transported to a hospital to be evaluated, the fire chief said. Gump said the spill was only a concern to aquatic life in the creek and he didn't believe it would cause further damage. Police said the driver who caused the crash was hauling diesel fuel in a leased vehicle and was employed by the Coen Zappi oil company in Washington.

<http://www.wtae.com/news/tanker-trucks-crash-in-canton-township/25579248>

### USA, W.VA, BELLE, APRIL 22 2014. CHEMICAL LEAK REPORTED AT DUPONT PLANT IN BELLE

The DuPont Co. Chemical plant in Belle had a small chemical leak late Monday afternoon, a 911 dispatcher said. Employees reported a small leak of N-dimethylacetamide, also known as DMAC, according to a Kanawha County Metro 911 dispatcher. A chemical spill alarm went off at the plant just before 5 p.m., the dispatcher said. The dispatcher said that the leak does not pose any danger to the public. Kelley Gillenwater, spokeswoman for the state Department of Environmental Protection, said officials believe more than a pound but not a "large amount" of the chemical spilled. Officials are not sure the exact amount of the chemical spilled. The spill has been stopped. The chemical was contained within Dupont's secondary containment system, she said. Gillenwater said the chemical is a liquid but could have been released as a vapor. "It has to do with a tank that became pressurized and the material came out a vent or release valve," she said. Gillenwater said the DEP's emergency response unit has been in constant contact with DuPont, but she did not believe DEP officials were on the scene. The DEP was first notified of the leak at about 4:20 Monday afternoon. She said that DuPont is investigating the cause of the leak.



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DMAC is colorless with a faint ammonia-like odor, according to product safety information provided by DuPont. The chemical is used to prepare other chemicals for industrial applications. The chemical is harmful if inhaled, harmful in contact with skin and may be harmful if swallowed according to its [Material Safety Data Sheet](#), posted on DuPont's website. It is biodegradable and not toxic to aquatic life, according to the MSDS.

<http://wvgazette.com/article/20140421/GZ01/140429879/1101>

### USA, N.C, COVE CREEK, APRIL 22 2014. OVERTURNED TANKER CLOSES A LANE OF I-40 IN NC

Authorities say one lane of Interstate 40 West in the North Carolina mountains has reopened after a tanker truck overturned near the Tennessee state line. The Department of Transportation said the tanker wrecked Monday afternoon at mile marker 6 in Haywood County and closed the entire road. Officials said early Tuesday the left lane had reopened. They hoped to have the right lane reopened by 8 a.m. Tuesday..

<http://www.wect.com/story/25300669/overturned-tanker-closes-i-40-in-nc-mountains>

### USA, OH, MARTINS FERRY, APRIL 22 2014. TANKER IN THE OHIO RIVER



The driver of a tanker truck, which went into the Ohio River Sunday, reportedly was uninjured. The vehicle was northbound, just south of Clarington, when it left Ohio 7. It crossed over a troughed area, up a small embankment onto and over the railroad tracks, and the tracks then show it traveled a short distance along a narrow section of the riverbank between the tracks and the river before going into the water, according to an unofficial report. A Monroe County sheriff's deputy was on the scene. The vehicle was removed from the river between 1:45 and 2:45 p.m.

<http://www.timesleaderonline.com/page/content.detail/id/554112/Tanker-in-the-Ohio-River.html?nav=5010>

### USA, TX, WEST, APRIL 22 2014. YEAR AFTER EXPLOSION, TEXAS TOWN CONSIDERS NEW PLANT >> RESIDENTS DIVIDED OVER NEW FERTILIZER PLANT AND TOWN'S ECONOMIC RECOVERY

*emily schmall*

Leaders in a Central Texas town that was devastated last year by a deadly fertilizer plant explosion are contemplating building a new facility, calling it a crucial step toward West's economic recovery. The idea rankles some residents, who say the continued lack of state and local regulations would put them at risk of another disaster. Fifteen people died last April when a fire inside the West Fertilizer Co. ignited 34 tons of ammonium nitrate and caused an explosion that leveled homes and schools. "It's disheartening for the families to know that these guys went into that fire without knowing what they were walking into," said Melinda Hagar, whose older brother, Morris Bridges, a volunteer firefighter, died in the blast. "What's to say it will be any different the next time?" But others in West, residents and officials alike, see a new plant as a necessary risk for a town that's surrounded by fields of corn, maize and cattle and whose economic lifeblood is agriculture. West mayor Tommy Muska acknowledges it will be a "huge pill to swallow" for some of the town's 2,800 residents, but that "West needs to be able to offer that product, as long as it can be designed to not blow up." Muska introduced the idea of a new plant only last month at a town hall meeting, but is eager to speed along discussions before farmers get used to buying fertilizer from nearby towns; the closest is about 16 miles away. The explosion site was located just outside the city limits between a middle school and a high school, and he says any new plant would be replaced with a modern structure far from inhabited buildings. Donna Charanza, the general manager for animal feed company West Feeds, says West would be lucky to have another plant, but would "have to be careful about where it goes." Muska also says that, unlike the plant that exploded, any new plant would be built with a sprinkler system, and the ammonium nitrate kept in concrete bunkers underground, both things the state is looking to regulate in the wake of the West tragedy. State Fire Marshal Chris Connealy also is visiting rural communities around Texas — including West — to encourage them to adopt new rules for storing ammonium nitrate. The safety considerations aren't enough to comfort Robbie Payne, the chaplain of West's Volunteer Fire Department and the owner of the town's funeral home.



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Payne suffered broken bones, burns and lacerations when he and other first responders rushed to the site of the raging fire. He was 30 yards away from the first blast. He also arranged the funerals for 10 of the 15 victims. "I certainly have mixed feelings. I know that this type of product is essential to our community, but as a fireman, I sure am concerned about being in close proximity to it again," he said. Although the explosion was "devastating from a family standpoint," The Village Bakery owner Mimi Irwin believes the residual benefits of building a new fertilizer plant outweigh the risks of another disaster. She moved back to West six years ago to take over the family business, which is the oldest Czech bakery in Texas. West was founded by Czech migrants in the 1880s, and its kolaches have drawn passengers from Interstate 35 between Dallas and Austin for decades. "It's a concentric circle," she said. "If the farmers are going to Hillsboro or Italy or Corsicana, then they're not in my bakery." Lawmakers asked Connealy's office Monday to draft legislation for a bill that would require combustible storage facilities to have water sprinkling systems and to segregate the nitrate from the rest of the structure in an inflammable container. "We have 46 potential Wests out there," Connealy said, referring to fertilizer storage facilities in the state with similar structural risks.

<http://www.jems.com/article/news/year-after-explosion-texas-town-consider>

### USA, ME, PORTLAND, APRIL 22 2014. MAN CONVICTED IN FATAL NH EXPLOSION ON TRIAL

*patrick whittle*

A Vermont man convicted for the 2010 explosion that killed two workers at a New Hampshire gunpowder plant is on trial for wire fraud connected to an ammunition company in Maine, but defense attorneys say he was trying to create jobs, not defraud the government. [Craig Sanborn](#) — formerly of Maidstone, Vt. — was sentenced in November to 10 to 20 years in prison for the 2010 explosion that killed two workers at the Black Mag gunpowder plant in Colebrook, N.H. Federal prosecutors say Sanborn submitted \$300,000 worth of false invoices to Brownville, Maine, officials for materials and services he never purchased between November 2005 and January 2008. The money for Sanborn's X-[Ring Industries](#) ammunition plant at the site of an old rail terminal came from a federal [Community Development Block Grant](#). His attorneys said Monday that Sanborn did only what he promised — refurbish a building and bring a small business to Brownville. "That's one of the primary enterprises he was involved in," defense attorney [Mark Sisti](#) said after Sanborn's trial began Monday in federal district court in Bangor. It continues Tuesday. In October, Sanborn was convicted of two counts of negligent homicide and manslaughter in connection with the May 2010 explosion that killed [Jesse Kennett](#), 49, and [Donald Kendall](#), 56. Prosecutors argued that Sanborn was more concerned with rushing to fill a big contract than he was about worker safety. The mid-day blast rattled buildings and sent plumes of black smoke into the air. Dozens of homes were evacuated, and firefighters couldn't get close to the burning site for several hours because ammunition was exploding. His lawyer countered at that trial that the explosion could have been accidental or due to negligence on the part of an employee. He tried to convince the jury that Sanborn couldn't be held responsible because he was out of state at a convention at the time of the blast. Sanborn is appealing those convictions.

<http://www.sfgate.com/news/crime/article/Man-convicted-in-fatal-NH-explosion-on-trial-5417488.php>

### QATAR, APRIL 22 2014. WOQOD TO OPEN 4 NEW PETROL STATIONS THIS YEAR



*Woqod expects to commission 4 new petrol stations in Qatar this year, the company said yesterday.*

The four petrol stations are currently under construction Al Wajba, Al Jumailieh, Al Thakheera and Al Wakrah, Woqod CEO Ibrahim Jaham al-Kuwari said after a meeting of the company's Board of Directors yesterday. He said Woqod was currently involved in the implementation of more than 35 projects, 14 of which are progressing and the others in the "design, tendering and approval" stages. Five expansion projects for existing petrol stations are currently taking place at Al Thayen, Industrial Area, Al Hilal, Muaiter, and Bu-Fasila. Completion is

expected by end-2014. Another five expansion projects are in the tendering stages and approval procedures. They are expected to be completed by end-2014 or early 2015. Two vehicle inspection centres (Fahes) will be inaugurated at Al Mamoura and Wadi Al-Banat in due course. The Al Mamoura project is already completed and tested. "Formal inauguration will take place at any time once the pending issues related to software and connection facilities are finalised with the Traffic Department," Woqod said. The Wadi Al Banat Inspection Centre project has also been completed and equipped. It will be commissioned once the pending issues are resolved, Woqod said without giving further details. He said the LPG sales grew by 8% and the number of cylinders refilled and sold reached 1.3mn units (for metal cylinders) and 315,000 for Shafaf in the



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first quarter of 2014. Woqod has signed a contract with Ashghal to supply 'Bitumen 60/70' and modified (Polymer) to its contractors. Woqod will invest about QR65mn for increasing storage and distribution capacity of bitumen, including purchasing a new ship for the purpose. This will result in a "dramatic increase" in the sales of bitumen in the coming period. Meanwhile, Woqod is continuing its technical co-operation with Texas A&M University on improving bitumen for road and other project purposes. The total sales of petroleum products (diesel, gasoline and jet fuel) reached 1.64mn liters in the first quarter of this year, up 9.5% on the same period in 2013. Woqod also provides diesel tank lease and diesel transport vehicles (with driver) services to both business and individuals. The board meeting was presided over by Sheikh Saoud bin Abdulrahman al-Thani. The Woqod board decided to "postpone the discussion and approval of the financial statements for the first quarter 2014" to April 29.

<http://www.gulf-times.com/qatar/178/details/389287/woqod-to-open-four-new-petrol-stations-this-year>

### USA, WASHINGTON DC, APRIL 22 2014. U.S. SUPREME COURT DECLINES EXXON MOBIL \$105 MILLION APPEAL

*Michelle Howard*



The U.S. Supreme Court on Monday declined to review a ruling against Exxon Mobil Corp that ordered the company to pay \$105 million in damages for polluting New York City's groundwater with a toxic gasoline additive. The decision not to hear the case leaves intact a July 2 U.S.

Circuit Court of Appeals ruling that upheld the judgment. In 2009, a jury concluded that Exxon contaminated water supply wells when the additive, methyl tertiary butyl ether (MTBE), leaked from its underground storage tanks in the borough of Queens. The appeals court rejected Exxon's arguments that it was required to use the additive under the federal Clean Air Act. An oxygen-containing substance that is added to gasoline to promote more complete combustion and reduce air pollution, MTBE was one of several additives recommended by regulators to reduce emissions. It has now largely been phased out of the U.S. fuel supply because of its danger to groundwater. New York City claimed Exxon went ahead and used the chemical in the 1980s through the first half of the 2000s despite warnings from its own scientists and engineers that it could be harmful in areas that relied on groundwater for drinking. MTBE has been identified as an animal carcinogen and a possible human carcinogen and causes water to smell foul and taste bad. The water wells in southeast Queens that were contaminated serve as a backup supply for the city's drinking water when the reservoirs upstate go offline because of repairs or droughts. The New York case was intended serve as a bellwether case to provide guidance for other MTBE complaints that have been brought around the country.

<http://www.marinelink.com/news/declines-supreme-appeal367429.aspx>

### ISRAEL, APRIL 23 2014. DELEK EUROPE IS BEING SOLD TO BRITISH PRIVATE EQUITY FUND TDR CAPITAL.



Yitzhak Tshuva Sells Delek's European Gas Stations To UK Private Equity Group TDR Capital For €355 Million. [Delek Group Ltd](#), controlled by Yitzhak Tshuva, has signed a memorandum of understanding for the sale of Delek Europe BV to British private equity fund TDR Capital LLP for €355 million (NIS 1.7 billion). Delek Europe, run by chairman Ilan Shaffir and CEO Boaz Chechik operates in Benelux and France. It owns and operates 870 Texaco gas stations in Belgium and the Netherlands through Delek Benelux BV, and it owns and operates 401 BP brand gas stations, 356 convenience stores, and 235 car washes through Delek France BV. Delek Benelux is based on the 2006 acquisition of Chevron Corporation's operations in the Netherlands and Belgium, and Delek France is based on the 2010 acquisition of BP France SA. TDR will pay €90 million when the deal is signed and €90 million plus 5% interest a year later. Delek will provide a seller's loan for the balance of €175 million, which will be repaid after five years, plus 5% annual interest. Delek will have a lien on Delek Europe shares as collateral for the loan. Since the Tamar natural gas discovery in 2009, Delek Group has focused on its Israeli energy operations and sold other assets, including part of its stakes in [Delek US Holdings Inc.](#) and [Delek Automotive Systems Ltd](#), which it considers as financial holdings. On Wednesday, it sold the controlling interest in US insurer



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Republic Companies Group Inc. "The company's strategy to focus on oil and gas exploration has been seen in the past two days. Yesterday, we sold 55% of Republic Companies Group and today we are close to closing the sale of Delek Europe for €355 million," said Delek Group CEO Asaf Barfeld. "Delek Europe has an external debt of €365 million, which gives the deal a value of €720 million. These two deals will greatly increase Delek Group's cash reserves."

**Related Stories** [Israel's Delek agrees to sell Europe operations for 355 mln euros](http://jewishbusinessnews.com/2014/04/17/yitzhak-tshuva-sells-deleks-european-gas-stations-t0-uk-private-equity-group-tdr-capital-for-e355-million/)

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### **KENYA, EMBU, APRIL 22 2014. EMBU POLICE PROBE STATE FUEL RACKET**

*reuben githinji*

Police in Embu have unearthed a syndicate in which government drivers sell fuel to a private dealer. Police say the illegal dealer, at Tebere village on the Embu- Nyeri road, has also been buying fuel from drivers of private company vehicles. Detectives said the dealer in turn sells the siphoned fuel to various petrol stations in Mt Kenya region. Embu county CID boss Zachary Kariuki said the syndicate costs the government and private businesses millions of shillings. Kariuki said they arrested one suspect Nancy Njoki with more than 710 litres of diesel, 60 litres of petrol and seals used to reseal petroleum trucks after siphoning the fuel into containers. He said Njoki's husband escaped police arrest after getting wind of the raid. He said the dealer sells the fuel to other public transport and personal motorists in the region. Kariuki said police acted on a tipoff from the public. He said the woman will help the police with investigations. Kariuki said petrol trucks have been visiting the home and siphoning out fuel supposed to be delivered to clients within Embu Nyeri and Meru regions. He said the crackdown on the cartel will continue in other parts of Embu county. Kariuki said the suspect will be arraigned in court today and warning anyone involved in the syndicate to give up the trade. He said motorists buying the fuel from the illegal businesses are also liable for prosecution. "I am asking the public to give police more information over crimes because this will curb crime."

<http://www.the-star.co.ke/news/article-163817/embu-police-probe-state-fuel-racket>

### **USA, ILL, MONTROSE, APRIL 23 2014. ANHYDROUS TANKER FLIPS NORTH OF MONTROSE, INITIAL HAZMAT FEARS CALMED**

*wayne moran*



[north-of-montrose-initial-hazmat-fears-calmed](http://www.thexradio.com/news/78-local-news/10876-anhydrous-tanker-flips-north-of-montrose-initial-hazmat-fears-calmed)

A tanker truck carrying Anhydrous Ammonia has flipped north of Montrose, creating what was initially feared to be a hazmat situation that could have resulted in the evacuation of residents in the vicinity. The truck flipped on the curve just north of the I-70 interchange on the Montrose blacktop. We're told the driver was injured but is ok, and at this time, there is no immediate hazmat concern. State Police tell us that as crews begin to move the trailer, it's possible that a leak could start or be uncovered, which could lead to an evacuation of the immediate area. We'll continue to follow this and update this story.

<http://www.thexradio.com/news/78-local-news/10876-anhydrous-tanker-flips-north-of-montrose-initial-hazmat-fears-calmed>

### **USA, ILL. EAST PEORIA, APRIL 23 2014. TANKER TRUCK ROLLS OVER AFTER CLIPPING I-74 WORKER**

*zach berg*



*tanker truck lies on its side after clipping a road worker and rolling over Tuesday morning on westbound I-74 just west of the Pinecrest Drive exit. Accident victims listed in good condition; police cite worker for being in roadway improperly.*

A road worker who ran into traffic on Interstate 74 was clipped as a tanker truck swerved, causing it to roll over and create subsequent traffic delays Tuesday morning. Both the worker and driver were reported to be in good condition after the accident. At about 7:50 a.m., East Peoria Police and Illinois State Police responded to the call of a road worker being struck by a truck on westbound I-74 between the Pinecrest Drive exit and East Peoria. Richard Gustafson of Washington, a 57-year-old contractor working for the Illinois Department of Transportation, was found in good condition with non-life-threatening injuries after



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being clipped by the truck. According to police, witnesses said Gustafson, while working on the shoulder of the interstate, had run into traffic to chase a piece of garbage that had been blown onto the interstate. Gary Griffin, a 54-year-old truck driver from Oreana, was traveling westbound when he saw Gustafson on the interstate. Griffin swerved to avoid hitting the worker but ended up clipping him and the truck toppled onto its side in the grass along the right shoulder of the interstate. Griffin was reported by police to be in good condition. Gustafson was ticketed with improper walking on the roadway. Traffic was at a standstill for at least 20 minutes as emergency personnel responded to the accident. Police ended up closing the right lane of I-74 and, at about 8:10 a.m., opened the left lane to traffic.

<http://www.pjstar.com/article/20140422/NEWS/140429771>

### UKRAINE, PEREYASLAV-KHMELYNYSKY TOWN, APRIL 23 2014. FIVE KILLED IN UKRAINE GAS STATION BLAST



Earlier on April 22 112.ua reported that a woman has been killed and six people hospitalized as a result of an explosion at a gas station in the town of Pereyaslav-Khmelnytsky.

At least five people were killed and five injured in a gas station explosion in Ukraine's northern Kiev region Tuesday, authorities said. According to the State Service for Emergencies, the blast occurred at a gas station near Pereyaslav-Khmelnytsky town, some 95 km south of capital Kiev, triggering a huge fire. Four people died on the spot while a woman succumbed to her injuries in hospital, Xinhua reported. Investigators blamed the accident on improper conception of

the gas station project and violation of safety rules.

#### Related Stories

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[http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ians/five-killed-in-ukraine-gas-station-blast-114042201089\\_1.html](http://www.business-standard.com/article/news-ians/five-killed-in-ukraine-gas-station-blast-114042201089_1.html)

### USA, AZ, PHOENIX, APRIL 23 2014. 2 SERIOUSLY BURNED IN MASSIVE 2-ALARM TANKER FIRE IN CENTRAL PHOENIX

 **Watch the Video** [Raw: Viewer video of Huge Tanker Fire in Central Phoenix.](#)



Two men were severely burned in an oil-fed tanker fire in the area of 24th and Jefferson streets just north of the airport Monday morning. A huge plume of thick black smoke poured off the fire and was visible for miles. That smoke caused Sky Harbor to close its two north runways and divert planes to the south runways.

The first 911 call came in at 7:04 a.m. The call was quickly escalated to a second-alarm assignment, which means more fire crews were sent to the scene.

Two people were burned, but few details were immediately available. Those

victims were taken to the Arizona Burn Center at Maricopa County Medical Center, according to Michelle Miller with the city of Phoenix. Miller said a 23-year-old man suffered second- and third-degree burns to 50 percent of his body. A 45-year-old man suffered third-degree burns to his extremities, covering about 15 percent of his body, she said. A spokesman with the Arizona Burn Center said both patients were covered with oil when they arrived, which means they had to be decontaminated. Both men are listed in critical condition. Firefighters were pouring both water and foam on the fire. Several explosions, flames shooting high into the air, were visible from Chopper 3. An hour after that call, the nearly 200 firefighters on the scene had made significant progress. The flames were under control and the smoke had turned gray and was dissipating. Crews continued to pump water onto the fire, deal with hot spots and launch mop-up operations. "They're surrounding and drowning it," Capt. Ben Santillan said, explaining that water was poured on at a rate of 4,000 gallons per minute. "The guys did a phenomenal job on scene." By 9:30 a.m., only one hose was still laid out, ready in case of a flare-up. The company where the fire was burning, [Fuels, LLC at 203 S. 23rd St.](#), recycles used oils, filters, antifreeze and related substances. "Every component of your waste is recycled into fuel and raw materials for industrial use," reads the company's website. According to



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Santillan, workers -- the two men who here burned -- were off-loading from a tank to a semi when the fire started. The men said they did not know what ignited it. A company spokesman told 3TV the damage at the facility looks like it is contained to two trucks and a tank. Some nearby businesses, hotels and one school -- R.L. Duffy High at 25th and Jefferson streets -- were evacuated as a precaution. Several rooms at the Sterling Hotel, which is closest to the fire, were damaged, but none of the people staying there was injured. No firefighters were hurt as they battled the monster blaze. Although the airport closed its north runways, flights were still arriving and departing as scheduled, an airport spokeswoman said. Those north runways are back open. The massive fire and the huge operation to contain it caused some Light Rail delays, as well as traffic delays on various Valley freeways. The fire did not directly impact the freeways, but drivers were likely distracted by the humongous smoke plume. The affected Light Rail stations were reopened shortly before 9 a.m. Investigators will try to determine exactly what happened during the tanker off-loading process to spark the fire. In addition to its Phoenix facility, Fuels, LLC has a plant in Anthony, Texas. The company's main office is in Mesa. 3TV tried to talk to Fuels, LLC owner Keith Ryan, but he declined an interview and asked the crew to leave his property.

<http://www.azfamily.com/news/Massive-tanker-fire-burnign-in-Central-Phoenix-256175431.html>

### CANADA, QC, GRONDINES, APRIL 23 2014. TANKER HALIT BEY FREED AFTER RUNNING AGROUND IN ST. LAWRENCE >> TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD SAYS 160-METRE TANKER SHIP DID NOT APPEAR TO LEAK CHEMICALS



*Halit Bey was travelling from Europe to Trois-Rivières, Que., containing a shipment of urea, an organic compound that is used as a raw material by the chemical industry.*

A tanker ship carrying chemical products that ran aground on the St. Lawrence River early Tuesday morning has been freed. The 160-metre Halit Bey was en route to Trois-Rivières, Que., from Germany when it hit the ground just outside Grondines, a small community about 60 kilometres southwest of Quebec City. Transportation Safety Board official Julie Leroux said a team of three investigators was dispatched to the site of the incident. She said it did not

appear as though the tanker leaked any of the chemical, urea, aboard the ship. Urea is an organic compound used in fertilizers and as a raw material in the chemical industry. Tugboats freed the ship once the high tide rolled in. Halit Bey is registered the Marshall Islands in the Pacific Ocean.

<http://www.cbc.ca/news/canada/montreal/tanker-halit-bey-freed-after-running-aground-in-st-lawrence-1.2617808>

### USA, MI, THOMAS TOWNSHIP, APRIL 23 2014. TWO-TANKER COLLISION SPILLS ABOUT 20 GALLONS OF DIESEL IN THOMAS TOWNSHIP, TEMPORARILY CLOSES INTERSECTION

brad devereaux

An early-morning crash between two tanker trucks closed the intersection of Gratiot and Graham while authorities worked to clean up spilled diesel fuel, according to police and fire officials. The crash happened about 2:15 a.m. Tuesday, April 22, at the intersection of Gratiot and Graham, Thomas Township Chief of Police Steve Kocsis said. The two drivers were not injured, and both tankers were not loaded at the time of the crash, he said. The crash happened when one of the tankers, headed north on Graham, came to a stop at a flashing red light, police said. The driver assumed both directions of travel had red flashing lights, Kocsis said, and edged out onto Gratiot, where the truck was clipped by a westbound tanker. Kocsis said Gratiot has a flashing yellow light at the intersection. Traffic was rerouted while firefighters cleaned up approximately 20 gallons of diesel fuel that spilled from a fuel tank when the truck hit the bumper of the other truck, Thomas Township Assistant Fire Chief Joe Giacoletti said. The intersection was closed for three hours, until about 5 a.m., during clean-up, he said. One of the drivers is from Sanford and the other is from Lincoln Park, police said. The crash remains under investigation.

[http://www.mlive.com/news/saginaw/index.ssf/2014/04/two-tanker\\_collision\\_spills\\_ab.html](http://www.mlive.com/news/saginaw/index.ssf/2014/04/two-tanker_collision_spills_ab.html)

### USA, N.C, COVE CREEK, APRIL 23 2014. OVERTURNED TANKER CLOSES I-40 AT TENN.-N.C. LINE

 [Watch the Video Crews Reopen All Lanes f I-40W near NC/TN State Line](#)

Authorities say Interstate 40 in the North Carolina mountains will remain closed for several hours as crews clean up after a tanker truck overturned near the Tennessee state line. The Department of Transportation said the tanker wrecked Monday afternoon at mile marker 6 in Haywood County and closed the entire road. Authorities aren't sure they can reopen the



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interstate before early Tuesday morning. Officials are recommending anyone wanting to drive through the mountains on I-40 to take Interstate 26 in Asheville west to Johnson City, Tenn., then take Interstate 81 south back to I-40 in Jefferson County, Tenn. No traffic on I-40 is being allowed past Cocke County in Tennessee or past Exit 20 in North Carolina.

<http://www.oakridger.com/article/20140421/NEWS/140429940>

### INDIA, WEST BENGAL, HOWRAH, APRIL 23 2014. OIL TANKER CRASHES NEAR NABANNA

*rupak banerjee*

For the third time in six months, an oil tanker overturned near the Nabanna secretariat on Tuesday morning, triggering a pile-up that disrupted traffic for two hours. The tanker crashed near Sheikhpura on Kona Expressway, 500m from Nabanna, at 7am. The vehicle of NTPC officer Rekha Biswas that was tailing the tanker swerved to avoid the tanker and rammed the divider. Rekha, her son and the driver were injured. The tanker started leaking. Oil spread 40 metres to the other lane, and two bikers skidded on it and were hurt. Police stopped traffic on Vidyasagar Setu. Two fire engines cleaned up the oil and a crane lifted the tanker. Traffic resumed at 9am. This is the latest in a string of accidents in the VIP corridor. On October 19, traffic was disrupted by a tar spill after a tanker overturned. And on December 3, another tanker crashed, spilling petroleum jelly. Last month, a truck rammed into a toll plaza.

<http://timesofindia.indiatimes.com/city/kolkata/Oil-tanker-crashes-near-Nabanna/articleshow/34083935.cms>

### SOUTH AFRICA, KWAZULU-NATAL, RICHARDS BAY, APRIL 23 2014. OIL SPILL 'UNDER CONTROL'

*sihle mavuso*



*clean up on cue: Environmental affairs MEC Meshack Radebe says the action by the stakeholders shows this country has the capacity to face the environmental challenges of the 21st century.*

The mopping-up operations following the oil spill at Richards Bay is moving apace, and there was little risk of damage to the environment. Agriculture and environmental affairs MEC Meshack Radebe gave this assurance to environmentalists and port stakeholders. Radebe said the joint operation committee that comprised Ezemvelo Wildlife, national and provincial departments of agriculture and environmental affairs, Engen, Ports Authority, Richards Bay Coal Terminal and other stakeholders, had so far done a sterling job to contain the spill. In a second update statement after the spill almost eight days ago at an Engen plant, he said the action by the stakeholders showed this country had the

capacity to face any environmental challenges of the 21st century. Radebe said when he was first informed of the spillage he was greatly concerned but after witnessing the sterling work achieved by the committee, he felt more at ease. "The spillage of about 6000 litres of oil happened at the crucial time of South Africans preparing for the Easter weekend with thousands of holiday lovers expected at our warm beaches in the province. "There should have been no need to fear bathing in Richards Bay during the long weekend – our clean-up team worked around the clock to make sure bathers and surfers enjoyed clean waters in Richards Bay," Radebe said. The port has remained open since the spill and Radebe said different agencies had been roped in to assist with expert advice on the how to protect the environment. He said while rainy conditions had a slight impact on the mopping-up operations, there were over 150 people on the ground including experts and specialists efficiently supervising the affected 3 km stretch of the harbour. "There are three booms that have been deployed to restrict the floating oil and absorbent soaking materials are being used. Eight vessels were affected but four have already been cleaned up and the work on the other four is still under way and daily committee meetings are continuing. All contaminated rocks and sand will be removed and dumped," he said.

[http://www.thenewage.co.za/123773-1008-53-Oil\\_spill\\_under\\_control](http://www.thenewage.co.za/123773-1008-53-Oil_spill_under_control)

### USA, W.VA, CHARLESTON, APRIL 23 2014. WATER CONTAMINATION AFFECTED MORE THAN 90,000

 **Watch the Video** [Dr. Rahul Gupta, Chief Health Officer for The Kanawha-Charleston Health Department.](#)

The health effects of the Jan. 9 Freedom Industries chemical spill on the Elk River appear more widespread than first indicated. New estimates show between 92,000 and 108,000 residents experienced health effects from the spill of crude MCHM and PPH into the source water for West Virginia American Water Company's Kanawha Valley water treatment plant. Those estimates, released this week, come from the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department and Dr. Andrew Whelton, a



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University of South Alabama environmental engineer who is now part of the West Virginia Testing Assessment Project (WV-TAP). "We saw the two symptom peaks on Jan. 9 and one starting again on Jan. 13 that sort of coincided with the flushing that people were told to do," said Dr. Rahul Gupta, the chief health officer for the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department. "Anecdotally, that's what we were seeing, but we wanted to make sure there's science and research behind it before we start raising the alarm." Officials with the state Department of Health and Human had previously cited 26 hospital admissions tied to the spill while hundreds of others were treated and released from hospitals in the nine affected counties. Gupta said the new numbers, based on data from local physicians, show those initial numbers were misleading about the health impact of the spill because not everyone who was affected went to the hospital or even sought medical treatment for symptoms like burning eyes, itchy hands or difficulty breathing. "This was an event where, let's say, people washed their hands (in the water), got a rash, quit washing their hands for a few days, the rash went away and, after that, the chemical fell tremendously down from levels in the drinking water," Gupta said. "So, a lot of these symptoms, as we described, they may not have been something that took people to the hospital." However, Gupta said those were health effects tied to the spill: "It's important to start assessing the larger public health impact and try to get our arms around it in order to, sort of, help the recovery process." Gupta, who was a guest on Tuesday's edition of MetroNews "Talkline," was also scheduled to discuss the findings as part of a presentation on "Learning from the Elk River Chemical Spill" during a webinar for the National Association for City and County Health Officials on Tuesday afternoon. An advocate for long-term health surveillance in the areas affected by the spill, Gupta said data from separate surveys through the Kanawha-Charleston Health Department and the state Department of Health and Human Resources, expected to be released later this year, will deepen the understanding of the spill's impact. "I think it's important to not point fingers, but to work together to solve the problems we've had, and we're going to be looking at in the future to just make sure that everybody gets taken care of."

<http://wvmetronews.com/2014/04/22/health-official-chemical-spill-made-more-than-90000-sick-in-some-way/>

### **USA, FLA, PORT MANATEE, APRIL 23 2014. PORT, DEP AGREE TO CUT TOXIC SPILL COSTS, RED TAPE**



*Port Manatee is actively monitoring the borders of a potentially toxic site on its property with several testing wells like this one. Under a new agreement with the Department of Environmental Protection, the Port would be subject to less-stringent testing requirements in the event of a toxic spill on its property.*

To spend less money and decrease paperwork in the event of a toxic spill, Port Manatee and the Florida Department of Environmental Protection are changing how they do business together. Under a memorandum of agreement approved unanimously by the Manatee County Port Authority, the port will focus primarily on making sure contaminants from port operations do not leave its property and affect neighbors. Previously, the port had to monitor spills in detail, testing their boundaries, or plumes, until they had stopped spreading. Assessment required a process to determine whether a spill needed to be cleaned to residential,

commercial or industrial standards. Key in the port's new agreement approved last week is how DEP classifies port land. The port's 1,000-acre property is now designated as a single industrial site. Future toxic spills can be dealt with under the authority of the agreement. During a discussion prior to the agreement's approval, port Commissioner Michael Gallen asked for a succinct explanation of the measure's purpose. Jorge Caspary, a DEP waste management official attending the meeting, used an analogy likening the port to a gas station. Gas stations are responsible for making sure spills don't flow onto neighboring properties, he said, not for watching every spot where a gallon of gas or pint of oil has been cleaned off the ground. "The scale is the only thing that's different," he said. DEP is now tracking four sites at the port that have been cleaned up or may require future cleanup. Fuel supplier TransMontaigne is responsible for two, a fuel oil spill and cleanup at its Port Manatee fuel tank farm. The port is monitoring two sites where piles of steel shavings, or mill scale, left high concentrations of iron particles in the ground. Both the port and DEP acknowledge that groundwater contamination does exist on port property. One of the mill scale sites has cost the port more than \$100,000 for cleanup and monitoring since 2001. George Isiminger, the port's senior director of environmental affairs, said it's not possible to determine how much less the port will have to pay in cleaning and testing future spills. "We haven't assessed it," he said. The port will still be required to notify DEP in the event of a spill, and to go through a testing and cleanup for each one. Mara Burger, a spokeswoman with DEP, said the agreement doesn't change testing standards. The port must still identify spills, clean them up and make sure they don't spread. It does, however, allow the port to avoid dealing with each spill separately when it comes to negotiating a cleanup plan with the state. "This is a cost



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savings to the port and the taxpayer," Burger wrote in an email. The port may also extend the agreement to clients such as TransMontaigne when they clean spills of their own making. Spills at the port are not allowed to contaminate drinking water, which port officials say is a non-issue on port property. Seventeen wells at the port are used for irrigation, toilets and a fish farm, but none to supply drinking water. The agreement forbids any future drinking water wells at the port. A provision allow the port to build and otherwise develop over spill sites once they are cleaned and shown not to be spreading. Contaminated soil would have to be capped prior to construction, according to the DEP, to prevent human exposure. Gallen was the only potential holdout from the unanimous vote. He said assurances from the port's attorney and from the DEP convinced him that the new agreement would not increase the risk of ground or groundwater contamination. However, he said he will be the first to call for reconsideration if the agreement fails to protect the public. The agreement comes as the port and its environs become a battleground over groundwater protection. Manatee County plans to build two injection wells at the port that could push up to 15 million gallons of treated wastewater daily into the local water table. Another, deeper injection well may also be built just yards east of the port. It would be used to pump upward of half a billion gallons of toxic surface water at the former Piney Point Phosphates plant thousands of feet underground. Opponents say deep injection wells are subject to failure and often contaminate ground water.

<http://www.bradenton.com/2014/04/22/5114837/port-dep-agree-to-cut-toxic-spill.html?sp=/99/102/>

### CHINA, GANSU PROVINCE, LANZHOU, APRIL 23 2014. TAP WATER CHIEF APOLOGIZES OVER CONTAMINATION

The chief of a tap water supplier embroiled in scandal after a contamination affected more than 2.4 million people in a northwestern Chinese city apologized to the public on Tuesday. Yao Xin, chairman of the Lanzhou Veolia Water Company, bowed and expressed his apology at a news conference organized by the government of Lanzhou City, capital of Gansu Province, after the company reported excessive levels of carcinogenic compound benzene in its water on April 10. Yao said the reason he had not apologized since then was that he and all his staff had been putting all their energy into identifying the cause of the contamination and building new water pipelines. He said the company will launch a website in the first half of this year, and disclose water quality results on a monthly basis on the site. On April 11, the city government warned residents not to drink tap water for 24 hours, after more than 10 times the national standard of benzene was found in the tap water. The pollutants are believed to have leaked from a pipeline of Lanzhou Petrochemical, a subsidiary of China National Petroleum Corporation, the country's largest oil company.

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### USA. TX, DALLAS, 23 2014. CSB ONGOING INVESTIGATION EMPHASIZES LACK OF PROTECTION FOR COMMUNITIES AT RISK FROM AMMONIUM NITRATE STORAGE FACILITIES; FINDS LACK OF REGULATION AT ALL LEVELS OF GOVERNMENT

Today the CSB released preliminary findings into the April 17, 2013, West Fertilizer explosion and fire in West, Texas, which resulted in at least 14 fatalities, 226 injuries, and widespread community damage. Large quantities of ammonium nitrate (AN) fertilizer exploded after being heated by a fire at the storage and distribution facility. The CSB's investigation focuses on shortcomings in existing regulations, standards, and guidance at the federal, state and county level. The investigative team's presentation will occur this evening at a public meeting in West, Texas, at 5:30 pm CDT. CSB Chairperson Rafael Moure-Eraso said, "The fire and explosion at West Fertilizer was preventable. It should never have occurred. It resulted from the failure of a company to take the necessary steps to avert a preventable fire and explosion and from the inability of federal, state and local regulatory agencies to identify a serious hazard and correct it." The CSB's investigation found that at the state level, there is no fire code and in fact counties under a certain population are prohibited from having them. "Local authorities and specifically—local fire departments—need fire codes so they can hold industrial operators accountable for safe storage and handling of chemicals," said Dr. Moure-Eraso. CSB Supervisory Investigator Johnnie Banks said "The CSB found at all levels of government a failure to adopt codes to keep populated areas away from hazardous facilities, not just in West, Texas. We found 1,351 facilities across the country that store ammonium nitrate. Farm communities are just starting to collect data on how close homes or schools are to AN storage, but there can be little doubt that West is not alone and that other communities should act to determine what hazards might exist in proximity." The CSB's preliminary findings follow a yearlong investigation which has focused on learning how to prevent a similar accident from occurring in another community. "It is imperative that people learn from the tragedy at West," Dr. Moure-Eraso said. The investigation notes other AN explosions have occurred, causing widespread devastation. A 2001 explosion in France caused 31 fatalities, 2500 injuries and widespread community damage. In the United States, a 1994 incident caused 4 fatalities and eighteen injuries. More recently



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a July 2009 AN fire in Bryan, Texas, led to an evacuation of tens of thousands of residents. Fortunately no explosion occurred in the Bryan, Texas, incident which highlights the unpredictable nature of AN. The CSB's investigation determined that lessons learned during emergency responses to AN incidents – in which firefighters perished -- have not been effectively disseminated to firefighters and emergency responders in other communities where AN is stored and utilized. The CSB has found that on April 17, 2013, West volunteer firefighters were not aware of the explosion hazard from the AN stored at West Fertilizer and were caught in harm's way when the blast occurred. Investigators note that the National Fire Protection Association (NFPA) recommends that firefighters evacuate from AN fires of "massive and uncontrollable proportions." Federal DOT guidance contained in the Emergency Response Guidebook, which is widely used by firefighters, suggests fighting even large ammonium nitrate fertilizer fires by "flood[ing] the area with water from a distance." However, the investigation has found, the response guidance appears to be vague since terms such as "massive," "uncontrollable," "large," and "distance" are not clearly defined. Investigator Banks said, "All of these provisions should be reviewed and harmonized in light of the West disaster to ensure that firefighters are adequately protected and are not put into danger protecting property alone." The CSB has previously noted that while U.S. standards for ammonium nitrate have apparently remained static for decades, other countries have more rigorous standards covering both storage and siting of nearby buildings. For example, the U.K.'s Health and Safety Executive states in guidance dating to 1996 that "ammonium nitrate should normally be stored in single story, dedicated, well-ventilated buildings that are constructed from materials that will not burn, such as concrete, bricks or steel." The U.K. guidance calls for storage bays "constructed of a material that does not burn, preferably concrete." At the county level, McLennan County's local emergency planning committee did not have an emergency response plan for West Fertilizer as it might have done under the federal Emergency Planning and Community Right to Know Act. The community clearly was not aware of the potential hazard at West Fertilizer. Chairperson Moure-Eraso commended recent action by the Fertilizer Institute in establishing an auditing and outreach program for fertilizer retailers called ResponsibleAg, and for disseminating with the Agricultural Retailers Association a document called "Safety and Security Guidelines for the Storage and Transportation of Fertilizer Grade Ammonium Nitrate at Fertilizer Retail Facilities." It also contains recommendations for first responders in the event of a fire. "We welcome this very positive step," Dr. Moure-Eraso said, "We hope that the whole industry embraces these voluntary guidelines rather than being accepted only by the companies that choose to volunteer." The Chairperson called on states and counties across the country to take action in identifying hazards and requiring the safe storage and handling of ammonium nitrate. "Regulations need to be updated and new ones put in place. The state of Texas, McLennan County, OSHA and the EPA have work to do, because this hazard exists in hundreds of locations across the U.S. However, it is important to note that there is no substitute for an efficient regulatory system that ensures that all companies are operating to the same high standards. We cannot depend on voluntary compliance."

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### **CANADA, ONT, OTTAWA, APRIL 24 2014. CANADA'S 5,000 WORST TANK CARS ORDERED OFF THE RAILS BY TRANSPORT MINISTER LISA RAITT**

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The federal government is ordering the 5,000 most dangerous tank cars off the rails as it adopts the major rail safety recommendations of the Transportation Safety Board in the wake of the tragedy last summer in Lac Megantic. Transport Minister Lisa Raitt says the immediate measures will take care of the most vulnerable of the older model tank cars, known as DOT-111, while those carrying crude oil and ethanol must be phased out or retrofitted within three years. "We are immediately removing the least crash-resistant DOT-111 tank cars from dangerous goods service by directing the phase-out of tank cars that have no continuous reinforcement of their bottom shell in 30 days," Raitt said. Rail carriers will also be required to prepare emergency response assistance plans for shipments of all petroleum products, including everything for crude oil to diesel. Emergency response is to be improved across the country through a task force involving municipalities, first responders, railways and shippers. "We are always committed to improving railway safety and the transportation of dangerous goods by rail," Raitt told a news conference. She said there will be changes to insurance rules so that in the event of an accident there will be enough money available to cover compensation and cleanup costs. "I also feel strongly that Canadians should not be expected to cover the costs of damages in the event of an accident." The actions are the latest response to last summer's horrific derailment and fire in Lac Megantic that claimed 47 lives. Concerns about the safety of DOT-111 tank cars date back at least 20 years. The DOT-111 tank car is considered the workhorse of the North American fleet and makes up about 70 per cent of all tankers on the rails.

<http://www.montrealgazette.com/news/national/Federal+government+phase+unsafe+rail+tank+cars/9767432/story.html>



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