William L. Fisher (WLF)

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Friday, November 27, 1992 5:22 pm Date:

Subject: SFC

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SUMMARY OF ACTIONS

Following is a summary of actions by Sequoyah Fuels to inform the public of the availability of medical attention for concerned citizens and provide information about the nitrogen dioxide release:

- o Immediately personnally contacted the officials in the two cities involved (i.e., Gore and Webbers Falls). Daily contact and updates have been held with appropriate officials.
- o Immediate contact to the County Health Department.
- o Standard notifications listed in the Emergency Response Plan were made.
- o Additional contact with numerous public officials and civic leaders.
- o Notifications to media and concerned citizens of numbers to call for information and/or medical attention available by Sequoyah (newspapers, radio, television and public notices strategically distributed)
- o Personal notification to the residents located within the twomile radius of the plant.
- O Use of third party mediator to communicate with affected parties to ensure they are aware that medical treatment is available.
- o Informed concerned callers of free medical examination availability

A chronology of events and contacts is attached. This chronology does not include the contacts that have been made by the third party mediator.

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COMMUNITY RELATIONS

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| 0900 11-17-92 | Met with Bill Summers, Mayor of Gore, and the local policeman. Provided information on the event and results of air sampling at the city of Gore. |
| 0900 | Contacted Jewell Horn, Mayor of Webbers Falls, by telephone to provide information on the event and results of air sampling at the city of Gore. Told her we would check air at Webbers Falls. |
| 0930 | Met briefly with employee of the tree nursery. Informed employee of the incident and air sample results. |
| 0930 | Spoke with Peggy Montgomery, SFC nearest neighbor, to give her the facts of the situation. |
| 0940 | Reggie Cook request that Derrell Martin contact each of the residents in the 2-mile radius call list to let them know what was going on. Derrill began calling all the neighbors on the emergency notification list. |
| 0945 | Contacted Betty Rhode (Gore City Council Member), Bill Summers (Gore Mayor), Jewell Horn (Webbers Falls Mayor), Paul Eikling (Gore School Assistant Superintendent) to discuss the incident. |
| 0950 | Interviewed with Sally Maxwell of the Sequoyah County Times and Darla Louder of the Vian Tenkiller News. |
| 1015 | Met with Bob Bates, County Agent for the Oklahoma State Health Department, to bring him up to date on the events. |
| 1020 | Met with Wade Stovall, County Sheriff, his deputy, and the Sequoyah County Civil Defense Director to bring them up to date. |
| 1200 | Reggie Cook and Ron Adkisson decided to have anyone concerned about any exposure to go to Dr. Anderson's office in Gore for examination. Informed Pam Bennett of the decision prior to her first television interview at the Guard Station. |

Began interviews with news media gathered at the 1200 front gate. Included in interviews was a notification that concerned people who think they might have experienced a health effect to visit Dr. Anderson. See attached list of media interviews. Drafted Press Release and sent to GA for approval 1100 Jim Edwards. Began sending out Press Releases 1300 Nurse Boyer and Derrell Martin visited the tree 1600 nursery and visited with the supervisor. Encouraged them to seek medical examination by Dr. Anderson. Drafted Public Notification for dissimination 1700 at local grocery stores and other gathering places. A list of business where the notifications were placed is attached. Interviews with several news agencies continued 0800 11-18-92 throughout the day. Reiterated the offer to visit Or Anderson. Began sending out the Public Information notices to local gathering places. See attached listing for places the notification was provided. Informed Vian and Sallisaw newspapers that 3FC would provide free exams for persons who felt they might have been exposed and/or have health concerns apout the incident. Nurse Bover and Derrell Martin again visited the 1830 tree nursery but were unable to make contact with anyone. Received a telephone call from a concernened man 1615 traveling in the area of Webbers Falls around 12:00 noon. Complained of puffy face and not feeling well. Gave him Dr. Anderson's number and encouraged him to call back of he had any problems. Neal Rogers (well known local attorney) arrived on 0800 11-19-92 site to assist meetings and contact with third parties 0930 11-19-92 Spoke with neighbor Jackie Vauple and explained offer and facts associated with the events. Spoke with man who identified himself as Bob, Gore Resident. Said his daughter was sent home from school by the school nurse with symptoms of coughing and burning eyes. Explained facts and extended offer to visit Dr. Anderson.

Spoke with Matt Reamer, who claimed the she could still detect a sulfur smell in the air. Explained the facts associated with the incident and also told her about the offer for a free examination by Dr. Anderson.

1300 Met with Jewell Horn, Webbers Falls mayor.

1330 Met with Bill Summers,, Gore mayor, and Betty Rohde, Gore city councilwoman.

Understand Bob Bates, Oklahoma State Health
Department informed media during interviews that
SFC is providing free examinations for persons who
who have a health conern about the incident. This
interview was conducted on November 18 and
appeared, we have been told, in todays Vian
Tenkiller News.



IMMEDIATE PRESS RELEASE

Gore, Ok., Nov. 17, 1992 at 9:15 a.m. a Site Area Emergency was declared at the Sequoyah Facility, located near Gore, Ok. Nitric acid fumes escaped from equipment at the plant. No off-site affects are anticipated. No radioactive materials were released and there were no reported injuries. The Site Area Emergency was terminated at 9:53am.

Air samples were immediately taken at both Gore and Webbers Falls and the results were negative. The plant has been placed on a stand-by status until the investigation has been completed.

Bob Bates, Oklahoma State Health Department, is on site to evaluate the situation. Appropriate agencies, including the Nuclear Regulatory Commission, have been notified.

For additional information, call Pam Bennett, (918)-489-3383.



PUBLIC INFORMATION

The event which occurred at the Sequoyah Facility Tuesday, November 17, 1992, at about 9:00 AM involved the release from the plant of NO2 (nitrogen dioxide). The release resulted from an upset in one of the process areas and a plume of NO2 escaped from the plant through roof vents and moved northwest from the plant site.

Several important points need to be emphasized:

- There were no radioactive materials released.
- Immediate ground level air sampling at both Gore and Webbers Falls indicated that there was no detectable NO2 present.
- The Sequoyah Facility has an Emergency Response Plan, including an Emergency Notification System, which would have alerted local residents if there had been any danger.

You may contact Pam Bennett, Director, Corporate Communications, at 918-489-3383 if you have further concerns.

PERSONS CONTACTED 11-17-92 REGARDING NITROGEN DIOXIDE RELEASE

RICK TABOR

KHBS 40/29

DARLA LOUDER

VIAN TENKILLER NEWS, 918-773-8000

JEWEL HORN

WEBBERS FALLS, MAYOR, 918-464-2631

PAUL EIKLING ASST. SUPERINTENDENT, GORE, 918-489-5587

LINDA SEKALARIS

MUSKOGEE PHOENIX, 918-684-2800

LARRY LOOMIS

STATE OFFICE OF EMERGENCY MGT, 1-800-800-2481

BRENT HARDIN CHANNEL 6, 918-522-6666 (FAX) 918-582-0678

ERIC SCHOLL

CHANNEL 2, (FAX) 748-1436

SCOTT BOWMAN & SCOTT GORDON CHANNEL 8, TULSA

BETTY ROHDE

CITY OF GORE COUNCIL MEMBER & CITIZENS ADVISORY

COUNCIL MEMBER, 918-489-2622

MITCH JELNICKER CHANNEL 9, OKC, 405-841-9979

RURAL WATER DISTRICT 489-5898

SHELLY DAVIS TAHLEQUAH NEWSPAPER 918-458-0816

ANDY MANNEN

KIM KIRBY

(FAX) 405-478-6337

DAVE HAMBY

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GREG MASHBURN AP REPORTER FOR THE TULSA WORLD 918-683-4862

JACK CAMPBELL

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JOHN DURKEY

KRMG 1-800-749-6397

POLLY ELLIOT

STATES NEWS SVC, 202-628-3100 EXT 291

DANNA

CHANNEL 5, OKC 405-478-6620

TED BRIDIS

AP TULSA, 918-584-4346

STACY JOHNSON

DAILY OKLAHOMAN, OKC 405-375-6397

SALLY MAXWELL

SEQUOYAH COUNTY TIMES, 918-775-4433

November 19, 1992

Ron Adkisson,

On November 17, 1992, after the Site Area Emergency had been terminated, I begin calling residents within a 2 mile radius of the facility. A list of the contacts made between the hours of 11:00am and 5:30pm are attached to this memo. Emphasis was made in calling those people that live to the west of the facility and toward Gore. Also, I have attached a list of no answers and neighbors that do not have telephones.

One neighbor, the family, lives 2 miles north of the facility on Moonshine road complained of burning throat and lungs. I told informed me that has weak lungs. I told that and family could go to Dr. Anderson's clinic in Gore and be examined and that SFC would pay for their doctors visit.

mile north of the facility seemed very upset that was not notified as soon as the incident happened. wanted to know of any incident so could move the children out of the area. I explained that was on our emergency notification list for explained that was on our emergency notification list for deneral Emergencies and that in a GE would have received notification and the emergency response should take. I don't think that satisfied

The family was more concerned about their water well sample taken months ago.

All the other contacts were appreciated the information but were not concerned about the incident.

On November 18, 1992, between the hours of 1:00pm and 3:00pm, Jerry Stroud and I delivered information sheet to businesses in Gore and Webbers Falls. The following businesses were given a brief explanation of the incident and several sheets to give to their customers:

Gore

Corley's Station
City Hall
Senior Citizens Center
Warren's Barber Shop
Henderson TV
Rainbow Mart
Gas Office
Liquor Store
True Value Hardware
Dr. Anderson
Harp's Grocery
NAPA Auto

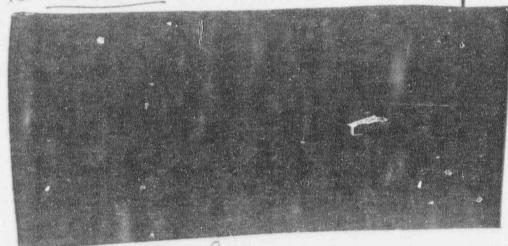
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Post Office
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Lake Country Bank

Webbers Falls

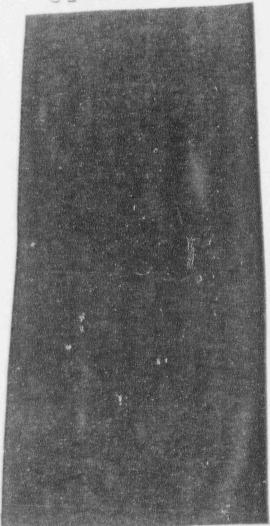
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Conversation Record

Participants: Dr. Lynn Mitchell

Occupational Health Dept.

Oklahoma University Health Sciences Center

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Linda Kasner

Date:

December 1, 1992

SUBJECT:

Medical Review of Exposures to NO2 at the Sequoyah

Facility

Dr. Mitchell was contacted to review and data or information gathered by her subsequent to our last meeting on November 23, 1992, at the Sequoyah facility.

Dr. Mitchell reported that she had been in contact with Dr. Yancy (of Sallisaw, OK) who had examined two individuals employed by Jerry's Sand and Gravel, of Gore, OK, and a third patient of his who was traveling on HWY 64 at the time of the release (headed towards Webber Falls). The following was relayed by Dr. Yancy:

- The two sand & gravel employees did not appear to have symptoms consistent with exposure to NO2. One individual had complaints of S.O.B., but this was following a hunting trip earlier that day. The second individual apparently had no complaints.
- His routine patient, who was traveling on HWY 64, had GI complaints consistent with hemorrhoids. Therefore, Dr. Yancy felt that he had no symptoms consistent with NO2 exposure.
- Dr. Yancy had received and reviewed the laboratory reports for the 21 tree farm workers initially seen in his office. There were no outstanding abnormal results. (SMAC, CBC with diff.)
- Dr. Yancy was scheduled to see again because was unable to maintain his appointment with Dr. Lee.

Dr. Mitchell also noted that she had attempted to obtain the ER record for from Muskogee Regional Medical Center but was unsuccessful.

also scheduled to see Dr. Lee, a pulmonologist thru MRMC) Since was scheduled to return to Dr. Yancy's office, Dr. Yancy volunteered to attempt to obtain the records for Dr. Mitchell's review.

Dr. Mitchell was unable to contact Dr. Fox on November 30, 1992, but was continuing her attempts.

LaNelle Boyer, R.N., had contacted Dr. Mitchell to discuss SFC employee complaints as requested by Kasner. LaNell reported that at that time, she had no knowledge of further complaints from plant employees and that they appeared to be asymptomatic.

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