## Monterey County Health Department Environmental Health Division Emergency Response Incident Report Proposition 65 Notification

## MCHD <u># 21-067</u> CO - 23212

Incident Date: 6/21/21				Incident Time: 4:00 am			
Incident Type:	· = ·	Material Bioterrorist Thr Drug Lab	eat	☐ Sewage t ☐ Restaurant Fire ⊠ Other: <u>Structure Fire</u>			
Time Notified: 5:08 am				Time Completed: 8:30 AM			
Location: 671 Work Street				City: Salinas			
Hazardous Material: Fire fighting water				Quantity: 900 Gallons			
Physical Properties: Liquid				Physical / Health Hazards: Caustic			
Land Use: Commercial		Direct/Constructed Connections Found: N/A		onnections	Entered Storm Drain System/Receiving Waters: No		
Environment Affected: Fire site					Weather / Temperature: 0 /60		
Type of Container: N/A							
First Responder / Agency on Scene: Salinas City Fire							
Incident Commander: Doug Dirkson Ag				gency / Telephone: (831)970-0909			
Other Responding Personnel / Agencies / Telephone:							
Salinas City Poli 222 Lincoln Ave Salinas, CA 939 (831)758-7090		( ) -			( )	-	

Source Investigation Conducted? Yes			Source Identified? Yes		
Responsible Party Information: - Invoice	Matthew Ottone, c/o Phil Ottone Mailing Address: 1418 S Main St., Salinas CA City, State, Zip Code: 93901 (831)998-0682 , E-Mail: matt.ottone@olrlawfirm.com				
Vehicle Information:		O.E.S. Control #:		NRC #:	

Other Notifications:						
RWQCB	Air District	MRWPCA	🗌 DFG	□ NOAA		
Cal-EMA	🗌 FED EPA		Health Officer	Salinas City Public Works		

**Narrative:** On June 21, 2021 at 5:08 am County Communications Dispatch Center contacted the Environmental Health Bureau a structure fire occurring at the former Salinas Tallow Plant located at 671 Work St. in Salinas. I contacted Incident Commander Salinas Fire Chief Doug Dirkson who described how the fire had destroyed the former tallow plant but had not damaged the co-located existing grease recycling plant operated by SeQuential. While the flames were greatly reduced, Chief Dirkson's crews continued to apply water to heated tanks. An excavator was brought in to pull metal debris away from the main fire and apply water to the interior of the collapsed structure. While most of the firefighting water and foam collected in a concrete retention pond located north east of the burned structure approximately 300 gallons of runoff collected on a flat dirt area just north of the retention pond. The pH of the water in the retention pond was neutral but the water that ran into the soil was pH 14. I spoke to property owner and SeQuential Logistics Manager Phil Ottone who indicated that caustic soda had been stored in the north part of the burned structure which likely accounted for the high pH water in that area. I requested that all personnel, equipment and fire debris be kept out of that area to reduce hazard to personnel and better contain the contaminated soil.

Mop up and tank cooling efforts continued for most of the day and I met with property owners Matthew and Phil Ottone and indicated to them that the contaminated soil would need to be remediated under permit from Environmental Health and that I would forward them the requirements for cleanup.

My final departure from the scene was at approximately 3:30 pm.

## Incident Status:

Mitigated No Further Action

Health Department Follow-up Warranted

□ Referred to other Agency or Department for follow-up: Contact information:

Action taken:

< Nh Form Completed By:

Rich Patterson, R. E. H. S. III

<u>6/23/21</u> Date

FOR LOCAL AGENCY USE ONLY

I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT I AM A DESIGNATED GOVERNMENT EMPLOYEE AND THAT I HAVE REPORTED THIS INFORMATION TO LOCAL OFFICIALS PURSUANT TO SECTION 25180.7 OF THE HEALTH AND SAFETY CODE.

Randy McMurray

<u>06/23/</u>21 *Date* 

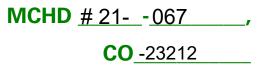
Randy McMurray, R. E. H. S. Hazardous Materials Management Services, Supervisor

## **ACTIVITY LOG**

**MCHD** # 21 - 067

**CO**-23212

Date	Activity	Specialist	Start	Stop	Total
6/21/21	Emergency Response	R. Patterson	5:08 am	8:15 am	3:07
6/21/21	Emergency Response	R. Patterson	2:30 pm	3:30 pm	1:00
6/23/21	Report Writing	R. Patterson	9:00 am	10:00 am	1:00
Invoice Sent to Responsible Party for Total Hours - TOTAL:					5:07



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