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Subject Re: Notification

Joy, The letter was mailed last night, sorry. To answer your questions the best I can:

I'm not certain what time we talked, I always figured the agencies recorded those details. The origin of this event was always very iffy as we had to initially rely on log notes and word of mouth from the night shift. Originally, it was believed that there was no release to the river from the overflow. But as we were able to talk directly with more people who were involved in the response, there was more uncertainty expressed. While no one actually saw runoff flowing into the river, one or two employees felt some seepage may have occurred around the absorbents and on to the riverbank. It is unknown if this minor leakage actually made it to the river or simply was absorbed by the embankment.

Great minds, I asked the same question but got the answer after the letter was signed. The captured pool of water was so small that is simply evaporated.

As you can see this was very close to a non-event; to the degree that we're not even certain there was a discharge to surface waters. But we view it as an important and valuable lesson. We fortunately discovered this weakness in the new boiler building design and will be able to address it without having experienced a major event. We can walk thru the process and review the upgrades with DES personnel during this year's inspection.

I hope this email wraps things up well. Please let me know if I should provide anything more in writing or if you have further questions. Thanks, Allan.

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Allan-

Just a couple of things that seem to be missing from the letter. This letter does not document when your verbal report to EPA on April 27th. Also, there is no description of what was done with the 50 to 100 gallons of water that pooled in the parking lot.

Thanks,

Joy

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Does this cover the bases sufficiently for you folks?

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Thanks, Allan.

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