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IDEM Report # 113218

Date of Incident 7/2/2024

Time of Incident 11 AM

Reporter Name and Contact Rebecca Robbins
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Nature of Spill or Leak Sulfuric Acid

PH of Spill .1

Quantity 150 Gallons into containment
20 Gallons on cement outside of containment

What action was taken to contain and control?

They wastewater holes for drainage were plugged, pigs were used to barricade holes to the wastewater runoff, all flowing sulfuric acid was neutralized with soda, ash and placed into barrels for universal waste. Sulfuric acid that flowed from the tank into secondary containment, was neutralized and flushed into our wastewater treatment for further neutralization prior to being sent into the city stream.

Did any material leave Tredegar Property? If so how much?

No

How was the spill/leak residue disposed of?

Through universal waste and the city is wastewater disposal treatment.. Contaminated insulation will be disposed of through hazardous waste.

Who identified the spill?

Jim, Bradley

Who was contacted to remove the spilled chemical from site? (Name, address, and contact number)

Mike Taplin 269-762-2190

Names of all employees who cleaned up the spill

James Juarez, Jim Bradley, Todd Dygert, Keenan Bayes , Lou Appell, Rebecca Robbins, Les Allen, Eric Anderson

What corrective action can be taken to prevent reoccurrence?

Future plans should be made to replace the tank within 10 years



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Good Afternoon,

The incident number for the sulfuric acid release on 7/2/24 at Bonnell Aluminum, 2551 County Rd 10 W, Elkhart, IN 46514 will be 113218.

Please let me know the amount released as soon as possible and send a final report when available to me at this email address.

I can be reached at 317-220-5340 if needed.

Dwayne Caldwell OSC
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