



# Indiana Department of Environmental Management Emergency Response Incident Report

## Description

Incident # 112556

**Incident Description:** Anonymous complaint that a dye looking substance is on the ground surface.

**Incident Type:** Emergency Response-Other

**Occurred Date/Time:** 05/22/2024 12:00 am

**Regulatory Program:** Emergency Response

**Incident Priority:** 3-Low

**Incident Status:** Closed

**Closure Method:** Referred Outside IDEM

**Lead Investigator:** Smith, Brian

**Resolution Desc:** Elkhart County Health Department investigated and Jayco confirmed they had applied some sewer tracer dye that was visible in a storm water retention area along Orpha Drive. Elkhart County Health Department closed the complaint.

**Other Substance:** Tracer dye- Bright Dyes FLT Yellow/Green Liquid- Kingscote Chemicals, Inc

**Media Impacted:** Storm Sewer

## Location

**Location Description:** 903 S Main street  
Middlebury/Elkhart County

**County:** Elkhart

**Municipality:** Middlebury



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## Source Entity

**Source Type:** Agency Interest

**Source Entity Name:** Jayco Incorporated

**Address 1:** 903 S Main St

**Municipality:** Middlebury

**County:** Elkhart

**State:** IN

**Zip Code:** 46540

**Comments:** anonymous caller alledged dye looking material on the surface at the 903 S Main Street address. IDHS Watchdesk Officer received the call and no IDEM OSC spoke to the caller.

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**Telecom:** Business phone number 1 574-825-5861

## Reporter

**Received By:** Smith, Brian

**Received Date/Time:** 05/22/2024 6:29:54 pm

**Receipt Method:** Emergency Response Hotline

**Reporter Type:** Anonymous

**Comments:** IDHS Watchdesk Officer answered the IDEM spill line after-hours and reported to on-call IDEM OSC Smith that the reporting party did not provide a call back telephone number. Watchdesk indicated caller alleged some dye type material is on the surface at the address provided.

## Actions

Task	Staff Assigned	Start Date	Due Date	Completed Date	Hours Spent
Lead ER Staff	Smith, Brian			05/22/2024	
Assist Lead OSC	Peters, Jason			05/22/2024	

Comments: OSC Smith notified OSC Peters, who in turn referred complaint to the Elkhart County Health Department for follow-up.



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Task	Staff Assigned	Start Date	Due Date	Completed Date	Hours Spent
Complete Emergency Response	Smith, Brian			07/02/2024	
Comments: OSC Jason Peters forwarded OSC Smith an 5/23/24 and a 5/29/24 e-mail from Elkhart County Health Department Environmental Health Specialist Melanie Neils, which concluded that Jayco (Jennifer Schreiber) confirmed they had applied storm sewer tracer dye that ended up in a retention area along Orpha Drive.					
See both these e-mails and the SDS for the tracer dye in VFC.					