## Cooley, James

From:

Hoffman, Kathy < KHoffman@sterigenics.com>

Sent:

Tuesday, September 3, 2019 5:42 PM

To:

Cooley, James

Subject:

RE: Sterigenics Atlanta Facility - Requested Reports

**Attachments:** 

REDACTED - IN-20180402-002.pdf; REDACTED - IN-20180104-002.pdf

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As requested, attached are the release incident for Incident #20180402-002 and #20180104-002.

Kathy

From: Cooley, James [mailto:James.Cooley@dnr.ga.gov]

Sent: Tuesday, September 03, 2019 7:22 AM

To: Hoffman, Kathy

Subject: [EXTERNAL] RE: Sterigenics Atlanta Facility - Requested Reports

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Thank you. For some reason I can't read all of the description in the first attachment 180402. Could you resend this one to me?

From: Hoffman, Kathy [mailto:KHoffman@sterigenics.com]

**Sent:** Friday, August 30, 2019 6:16 PM

To: Cooley, James

**Subject:** Sterigenics Atlanta Facility - Requested Reports

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Jim:

As requested, attached are the redacted incident investigations for the EO Release Incidents from the past 5 years.

Sincerely, Kathy

### Kathleen Hoffman

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### **First Report**

#### IN-20180402-002

Description

Title

Area evacuation (SRI port # 6 read 240.3 ppm).

Description

On 02-April-2018 @ 9:05am est, SRI port #6 detected rogue levels in the area reading 240ppm. Maintenance / Operations donned the proper PPE and handhelds and began surveying the area and found levels near the exhaust pipe for the booster pump for chamber 10. The chamber was then stopped. Maintenance went to investigate and when the piping was touched, it detached. Maintenance completed the repair before the chamber was allowed to complete the after vacuum phase. Initial review by EHS and Engineering resulted in emissions of > 10 pounds which triggered reporting to agencies. Final calculations calculated

release of 2.6 lb.

What

Leak/Spill/Release LEL/GC/Evacuation

LEL/GC/Evacuation Additional Information

Meter Reading 240.3 ppm Area Evacuated Area

Where

Location of **Incident** 

Sterigenics / EO U.S/Canada / Technology

EO

Occurred on

Company Premises? Yes

Atlanta

Specific Location of Occurrence

Chamber Area

When

Date of Occurrence 2018-04-02

Time of **Occurrence**  9:05 AM

Who

**Person Involved** 

Relationship of **Person Involved**  **Employee** 

Supervisor of **Person Involved** 

Date Shift Began 2018-04-02 Time Shift Began 7:00 AM

Witnesses

Witness

Relationship of Witness

Employee

Internal Reporting

Reported By **Date Reported**  2018-04-02

Follow Up Responsibilities

Responsible For **Incident Investigation** 



## **Investigation**

Investigation Team

**Team** 



Event Details

Task or Activity

General chamber operation.

at Time of **Incident** 

Physical or **Immediate** Causes of **Incident** 

A crack developed in the exhaust pipe from vacuum pump. After cycle stopped,

the piping detached.

Immediate Action Chamber stopped and maintenance repaired the pipe.

Taken

Safe Work Practices

External Reporting Environmental Release

Reportable Leak/Spill/Release

Environmental Release

**Chemical Name** Ethylene Oxide

**Chemical Class** Flammable

**CAS Number** 

75-21-8

**Release Source** Process Equipment

Released To Building

Quantity Released 2.6 lb Quantity 0.2 lb

Recovered

**Duration of** Release

12 Minutes

Weather Conditions

Weather **Conditions** 

Wind Speed **Wind Direction** 

Remediation

Remediation

No

Required

Insurance Reporting

Insurance Group

Notified

Root Cause Analysis

**Root Cause** 

Defective Tools/Equipment

Costs

**Cost Type** 

Other

**Amount** 

0 USD

Description

No cost associated with this event.

Follow Up Responsibilities

Responsible For **Incident** Investigation Review



Follow Up Responsibilities

Responsible For **Incident Closure**  Daryl Mosby

### **Corrective Actions**

Corrective Actions

Plan Title

Corrective Action Pipe Repair on anti ca valve and review of other affected chambers at the facility.

**Plan Description** 

Corrective Action Maintenance to repair the exhaust pipe and evaluate support for the piping.

Person Responsible



**Due Date** 

2018-05-31

**Priority** 

High

**Targeted Root** Cause

Defective Tools/Equipment (Equipment)

### **Attachments**

Files



Name

AT EO Release Email updates on Georgie EPD.pdf

Description

Email from Georgia EPD



Name

Sterigenics Atlanta Follow up report-April 2018.pdf

**Description** 

Follow up report sent to LEPC and SERC

## **Email Notifications**

Notifications Log

Recipients

**Parameters** 

**Trigger** 

**Days Sent** 

Daryl Mosby (Responsible for Incident Closure)	:	Incident is ready for closure	2018-04-10 05:16 PM
	Category: Incident; Incident Type: LEL/GC/Evacuation	Incident reported	2018-04-02 05:43 PM
Director); (EHS Director)	Category: Incident	Incident reported	2018-04-02 05:43 PM
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(Responsible for Incident Investigation)	:	Incident reported	2018-04-02 05:43 PM
(Responsible for Incident Review)	:	Incident investigation completed	2018-04-02 05:43 PM

## **Audit Trail**

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Saved

Created Action: Exhaust Pipe Repair

Changed Responsible for Incident Closure TO [Daryl Mosby]
Changed Responsible for Incident Review TO

Unusual events contributing to the EO exposure changed FROM

## **First Report**

#### IN-20180104-002

Description

Area evacuation 20 ( LEL - Chamber 7 Vacuum pump read > 10 % for 1 minute). **Title** 

**Description** At approximately 16:45 GMT on 04-Jan-2018, maintenance was in the process of working on the vacuum pump drip leg on chamber 7. The drip leg was isolated,

however the valve was leaking .Liquid from the drip leg fell on LEL #20 causing an area evacuation. Proper PPE was being worn and LEL detector was being used.

Chamber was down at the time.

What

LEL/GC/Evacuation

LEL/GC/Evacuation Additional Information

Meter Reading 17 %LEL **Area Evacuated** Area

Where

Location of Sterigenics / EO U.S/Canada / Technology EO

**Incident** Atlanta

Occurred on Yes **Specific Location** Vacuum Pump 7 / LEL 20. Company of Occurrence

Premises?

When

Date of

2018-01-04 Time of 11:45 AM Occurrence Occurrence

Who

**Person Involved** Relationship of Employee

Person Involved

Supervisor of **Person Involved** 

**Date Shift Began** 2018-01-04 Time Shift Began 7:00 AM

Witnesses

Witness Relationship of Temporary Employee Witness

Internal Reporting

Reported By **Date Reported** 2018-01-04

Follow Up Responsibilities

Responsible For Incident Investigation

## **Investigation**

## CONFIDENTIAL

Investigation Team

Team



Event Details

Task or Activity at Time of

Maintenace working on vacuum pump drip leg.

**Incident** Physical or **Immediate** 

Liquid from drip leg fell on LEL

Causes of **Incident** 

Immediate Action Wiped liquid from LEL.

Taken

Safe Work Practices

Insurance Reporting

**Insurance Group** 

**Notified** 

Root Cause Analysis

**Root Cause** 

Defective Tools/Equipment

Costs

**Cost Type** 

Other

**Amount** 

0 USD

Description

No Cost.

Follow Up Responsibilities

Responsible For Incident Investigation

Daryl Mosby

Review

Follow Up Responsibilities

Responsible For

Daryl Mosby

**Incident Closure** 

### **Corrective Actions**

Corrective Actions

**Plan Title** 

Corrective Action LEL protection when preforming maintenace in close proximity.

Corrective Action Disable LEL when working on vacuum pump drip leg located in close proximity to

Plan Description

Person Responsible



Due Date

2018-01-15

**Priority** 

Medium

Targeted Root Cause Defective Tools/Equipment (Equipment)

### **Email Notifications**

Notifications Log					
Recipients	Parameters	Trigger	Days Sent		
Daryl Mosby (Responsible for Incident Review)		Incident investigation completed	2018-01-04 04:26 PM		
	Category: Incident; Incident Type: LEL/GC/Evacuation	Incident reported	2018-01-04 04:11 PM		
Director); (EHS Director)	Category: Incident	Incident reported	2018-01-04 04:11 PM		
(EHS Director); (EHS Director); (EHS Director); (Executive)	Category: Incident	Incident reported	2018-01-04 04:11 PM		
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### **Audit Trail**

