



PPG INDUSTRIES, INC.

CHEMICALS

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LAKE CHARLES, LA. 70602

January 9, 1989

Ms. Diana Buck
Enforcement Branch
U S Environmental Protection Agency
1445 Ross Avenue, Ste. 1200
Dallas, TX 75202-2733

Dear Sir:

Permit No. LA0000761 - Non-Compliance Report (Upset Conditions)

In accordance with the NPDES Permit #LA0000761 Part II Section D reporting requirements, PPG Industries, Inc., Lake Charles Plant is hereby submitting the attached upset reports of copper permit limit violations which occurred on January 3 and 5, 1989.

As related in earlier phone conversations, PPG believes these events constitute "upset conditions". The newly installed control equipment was and continues to be operated in accordance with designs. Discharge data for residual chlorine and chlorinated hydrocarbons thus far meet or better our expectations. The systems, however, are not performing at the expected efficiencies for copper and nickel removal and PPG is investigating measures to enhance performance.

If you have any questions regarding this report, contact Mark Wood at (318) 491-4450.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "William J. Peard".

William J. Peard
Manager, Laboratory Services/Environmental Control

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NPDES NON-COMPLIANCE REPORT - UPSET

Company Name	- PPG Industries, Inc.
Mailing Address	- P O Box 1000 Lake Charles, LA 70602
Company Location	- Columbia Southern Road Westlake, LA 70669
Permit Number	- LA 0000761
Outfall Number	- 201
Outfall Parameter	- Copper
Date of Deviation	- January 3, 1989
Time of Deviation	- 24-Hour Composite ending January 4, 1989
Maximum Discharge Limit	- 49.3 lbs/day
Limit Deviation	- +94 lbs/day

Description of Incident:

Newly completed control equipment is not performing at design levels. Efforts are under way to adjust or modify the systems to comply with the new discharge limitations.

Phone Notifications - January 5, 1988 by M. Wood
1) EPA, 9:31 am, D. Buck
2) DEQ (Baton Rouge), 9:40 am, C. Webster

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Outfall Number	- 201
Outfall Parameter	- Copper
Date of Deviation	- January 5, 1989
Time of Deviation	- 24-Hour Composite ending January 6, 1989
Maximum Discharge Limit	- 49.3 lbs/day
Limit Deviation	- +16.1 lbs/day

Description of Incident:

Newly completed control equipment is not performing at design levels. Efforts are under way to adjust or modify the systems to comply with the new discharge limitations.

Phone Notifications	- January 6, 1988 by M. Wood
1) EPA, 2:30 am, D. Buck	
2) DEQ (Baton Rouge), 2:43 am, C. Webster	