



PPG INDUSTRIES, INC.

CHEMICALS

P. O. BOX 1000

LAKE CHARLES, LA. 70602

January 19, 1989

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

Dear Ms. Buck:

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 report of a copper permit limit violation which occurred on January 17, 1989.

One of the two Lamella Settlers was found to be a contributing factor due to internal damage probably incurred during installation. This problem has been corrected by the manufacturer on-site.

As related in earlier phone conversations, PPG believes this event constitutes "upset conditions". The newly installed control equipment was and continues to be operated in accordance with design. PPG is continuing to investigate metals removal enhancements such as additives or refined mechanical operating parameters.

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', is written over the typed name.

William J. Peard
Manager, Laboratory Services/Environmental Control

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CERTIFIED MAIL (P691 563 335)

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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 17, 1989
Time of Deviation - 24-Hour Composite ending
January 18, 1989
Maximum Discharge Limit - 49.3 lbs/day
Limit Deviation - +35.7 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 19, 1988 by M. Wood
1) EPA, 8:59 am, D. Buck
2) DEQ (Baton Rouge), 9:01 am, Lewis Johnson