

Vista Chemical Company

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MGH WLM ~~TGG~~ ULJ

May 8, 1990

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Assistant Secretary
Office of Air Quality &
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Dept. of Environmental Quality
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Baton Rouge, LA 70804-4096

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VISTA

Lt. Kendall Felon
Right To Know Unit
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Mr. Sam Russell
Community Emergency Coordinator
Office of Emergency Preparedness
P.O. Box 1391
Lake Charles, LA 70602

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Re: Rescission of May 7, 1990 Telephone Notification
Regarding Leak

At 0900 hours on May 7, 1990, a small pinhole leak was discovered on a nozzle of Vista's Light Ends Column (C-102). The leak was stopped by 1030 hours on that same day.

Anticipating that more than the reportable quantity of chemicals were released to the atmosphere, a telephone notification was made to your office.

Through subsequent calculations (see attached), we have now determined that no reporting limits were exceeded.

It is Vista's belief that no adverse impact occurred beyond the boundaries of this facility and that this event did not meet the "dangerous emissions" criteria as set forth under Louisiana Right to Know Law.

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Therefore, we are formally rescinding the May 7, 1990 telephone notification made to your office concerning this incident.

Please call me at (318) 494-5031, if you have any questions concerning this incident.

Sincerely,



David R. Booth
Sr. Environmental Coordinator

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cc: William Coltrin - SW Regional DEQ

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From _____

Calculation Sheet

VISTA

Basis : Maximum possible flowrate = 18 lbs material per HOUR
 Duration of Incident = 1.5 HRS.

		(wt %)(18#)(1.5 HRS)	
SUBSTANCE	Wt. %	Material Released	Violation?
WATER	0.35	0.09 lbs.	No
CHLOROFORM	10.08	2.72 lbs.	No
CARBON TET.	22.84	6.17 lbs.	No
BENZENE	0.14	0.04 lbs.	No
VINYL CHLORIDE	0.12	0.03 lbs.	No
CHLOROETHANE	0.39	0.11 lbs.	No
1,2 DICHLOROETHANE	65.70	17.74 lbs.	No
Trans 1,2 DICHLOROETHYLENE	0.13	0.04 lbs.	No
ETHYLENE	0.08	0.02 lbs.	No
1,1,2 TRICHLOROETHANE	0.00	0 lbs.	No
1,1 DICHLOROETHYLENE	0.01	0.003 lbs.	No
TRICHLOROETHYLENE	0.08	0.02 lbs.	No
TOTALS:	99.9%	26.98 lbs.	

FLOW RATE (MAX.) $\Rightarrow$ from Orifice Rate Calculation (See Attache)

Made By SAC
 Date 5/7/90
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