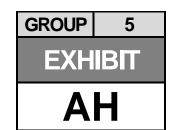


## NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD - Public Hearing



Conrail Derailment in Paulsboro, NJ with Vinyl Chloride Release

Agency / Organization

**Gloucester County** 

Title

National Response Center (NRC) Report No. 1031908

Docket ID: DCA13MR002

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Incident Report # 1031908

INCIDENT DESCRIPTION

\*Report taken by: MST2 BRANDY HUGGINS at 07:41 on 30-NOV-12

Incident Type: RAILROAD Incident Cause: UNKNOWN Affected Area: MANTUA CREEK

Incident was discovered on 30-NOV-12 at 07:04 local incident time.

Affected Medium: WATER MANTUA CREEK

REPORTING PARTY

OPERATOR 5048 Name:

Organization: GLOUSTER COUNTY COMMUNICATIONS

Address: 1200 DELSEA DRIVE

CLAYTON, NJ 08312

PRIMARY Phone: (856)5890911

Type of Organization: LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SUSPECTED RESPONSIBLE PARTY

IINKNOWN Name:

Organization: CSX TRANSPORTATION

Type of Organization: PRIVATE ENTERPRISE

INCIDENT LOCATION

EAST JEFFERSON STREET County: GLOUCESTER

City: PAULSBORO State: NJ

RELEASED MATERIAL(S) Official Material Name: VINYL CHLORIDE

CHRIS Code: VCM Also Known As:

Qty Released: 0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT Qty in Water: 0 UNKNOWN AMOUNT

DESCRIPTION OF INCIDENT

CALLER IS REPORTING THE COLLAPSE OF A RAIL BRIDGE OVER MANTUA CREEK THAT LEADS INTO THE DELAWARE RIVER. THERE ARE FIVE TANK CARS THAT FELL INTO THE CREEK AND AT LEAST ONE OF THE TANK CARS HOLDING 1086 VINYL CHLORIDE HAS BEEN COMPROMISED. PAULSBORO RESIDENTS WITHIN A HALF MILE RADIUS ARE STARTING TO BE EVACUATED. NO TRAIN DETAILS ARE KNOWN. ALL RAIL CREW IS ACCOUNTED FOR AND NO INJURIES OR FATALITIES ARE REPORTED.

SENSITIVE INFORMATION

INCIDENT DETAILS

Grade Crossing: UNKNOWN Location Subdivision: Railroad Milepost: Type of Vehicle Involved: Crossing Device Type: Device Operational: UNKNOWN DOTCrossing Number: Date and Time Service was/will be Restored: Brake Failure: UNKNOWN

Federal Post-Accident 219.201 Sub Part C Testing Required: UNKNOWN

Passenger Train Route: UNK

Passenger Train Delay Expected: UNK Passenger Train Delay Handling:

---WATER INFORMATION--Body of Water: MANTUA CREEK
Tributary of: DELAWARE RIVER

Water Supply Contaminated: UNKNOWN

---RAILROAD INFORMATION---

Nearest River Mile Marker:

Railroad Involved: CSX TRANSPORTATION

Train Number: UNKNOWN

Train Type: FREIGHT Train Direction:

Train Speed: Track Speed: Locomotives: Cars: Derailed:

Suspected DOT Regulation Non Compliance: NO

DERAILED CARS:

Pos. Carnumber Type Cargo

IMPACT

Fire Involved: NO Fire Extinguished: UNKNOWN

INJURIES: NO Hospitalized: Empl/Crew: Passenger: FATALITIES: NO Empl/Crew: Passenger: Occupant: EVACUATIONS: YES Who Evacuated: EVERYONE Radius/Area: .5 Mile(s)

Damages: NO

Closure Type Description of Closure Hours Direction of Closure Closure

Air: N

Road: N Major Artery: N

Waterway: N
Track: N

Passengers Transferred: NO Environmental Impact: UNKNOWN

Media Interest: LOW Community Impact due to Material:

REMEDIAL ACTIONS

HAZMAT ARE EN ROUTE.
Release Secured: NO
Release Rate:

Estimated Release Duration:

WEATHER

ADDITIONAL AGENCIES NOTIFIED

Federal:

State/Local: FIRE DEPT, POLICE, SHERIFF, CO HAZMAT State/Local On Scene: FIRE DEPT, POLICE, SHERIFF

State Agency Number:

NOTIFICATIONS BY NRC

ATLANTIC STRIKE TEAM (MAIN OFFICE)

30-NOV-12 07:52 (609)7240008

DHS NOC (NOC)

30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)2828114

USCG ICC (ICC ONI)

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30-NOV-12 07:52
                     (301)6693363
DELAWARE STATE POLICE (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (302)6593362
NATIONAL CYBERSECURITY/COMMS (NCC ISAC)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (703)2355626
DOT CRISIS MANAGEMENT CENTER (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)3661863
FEDERAL RAILROAD ADMIN. (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 08:04 (202)4936242
                                        THOMPSON
EPA OEM (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 08:06
                      (202)5643850
                                        TANNER
EPA OEM (AFTER HOURS SECONDARY)
   30-NOV-12 08:07
                     (202)5643850
                                        TANNER
U.S. EPA II (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:58 (732)3214370
                                        ROTHOUSE
USCG NATIONAL COMMAND CENTER (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:55 (202)3722100
                                        CCDO
MSD LEWES (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52
                     (302)6441909
NATIONAL INFRASTRUCTURE COORD CTR (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)2829201
NJ DEPT OF HEALTH & SENIOR SVC (COMMAND CENTER)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (609)5845367
NJ OFC HMLND SECURITY & PREPAREDNES (COMMAND CENTER)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (609)9636817
NJ STATE POLICE (MARINE SERVICES BUREAU)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (609)9636900
NOAA RPTS FOR NJ (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (206)5264911
NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER HQ (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:55 (202)2671136
NATIONAL RESPONSE CENTER HQ (AUTOMATIC REPORTS)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)2671136
NTSB PIPELINE (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)3146293
NTSB RAIL (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)3146293
PA STATE POLICE (BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (717)5255260
PIPELINE & HAZMAT SAFETY ADMIN (OFFICE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS)
   30-NOV-12 08:07 (202)3661863
PIPELINE & HAZMAT SAFETY ADMIN (OFFICE HAZARDOUS MATERIALS FAX#2)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (202)3661863
SECTOR DELAWARE BAY (COMMAND CENTER)
   30-NOV-12 08:02
                     (215)2714807
                                        FLINT
SECTOR DELAWARE BAY (RESPONSE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (215)2714807
DE DEPT OF NAT RES AND ENV CTRL (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (302)7399401
NJ DEP POC: DUTY OFFICER (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (609)5844551
PA EMERG MGMT AGCY (MAIN OFFICE)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (717)6512001
USCG DISTRICT 1 (COMMAND CENTER)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (617)2238555
USCG DISTRICT 5 (D5 DRAT)
   30-NOV-12 07:52 (757)3986231
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## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

THE WINDS ARE "CALM WITH NO TRUE DIRECTION". NEARBY REFINERY HAZMAT CREW HAS BEEN ALERTED AND WILL ASSIST.

\*\*\* END INCIDENT REPORT # 1031908 \*\*\*

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