



NATIONAL TRANSPORTATION SAFETY BOARD - **Public Hearing**

Conrail Derailment in Paulsboro, NJ with Vinyl Chloride Release

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Agency / Organization

National Transportation Safety Board

Title

Paulsboro Hearing Agenda

DAY 1: TUESDAY - JULY 9, 2013

CHAIRMAN'S OPENING STATEMENT

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.

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- Chairman's Opening Statement
- Introduction of the Technical Panel
- Introduction of the Parties
- Introduction of the Exhibits
- Investigator in Charge Opening Presentation

• Panel 1

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m.

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CONRAIL BRIDGE OPERATIONS

Issue areas

- Engineer and Conductor's narrative of Accident.
- Overview of Conrail operations, Conrail moveable bridge operations (bridge trouble tickets, and operational rules), training, and qualifying of train and engine crews.
- Conrail Safety Management: Risk evaluation; reporting and resolution of hazards or equipment failures.
- FRA's regulation and monitoring of the railroad (specific to the RR's use of moveable bridges) and operational rules oversight.

NTSB Tech. Panelists

Ted Turpin (Chair), Steve Jenner, Jim Southworth, Dave Watson

Panel Exhibits

Group 3: A ♦ Group 2: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M

Group 5: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, Q, R, S, T, U, V

Group 5: W, X, Y, Z, AA, AK



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NTSB PUBLIC HEARING Derailment of Conrail Freight Train With Hazardous Materials Release

● **Panel 1**

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CONRAIL BRIDGE OPERATIONS

Witnesses

1. Les Fiorenzo, Regional Administrator
Federal Railroad Administration
2. Neil Ferrone, Chief Risk Officer
Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)
3. Wilbert den Ouden, Conrail Conductor
Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)
4. Mark Mather Conrail Locomotive Engineer,
Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)
5. Tim Tierney, Conrail Vice President / Chief Engineer
Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)

- BREAK -

10:30 a.m. - 10:55 a.m. | hh:mm 00:25

Panel 1

10:55 a.m. - 12:25 p.m. | hh:mm 01:30

CONRAIL BRIDGE OPERATIONS (CONT'D)

Parties + Board of Inquiry Questioning

- LUNCH -

12:25 p.m. - 1:55 p.m. | hh:mm 01:30



INITIAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Issue areas

- Response efforts during the first day of the release.
- Hazardous materials emergency response operations, including
 - Inter-agency and railroad communications
 - Site characterization and hazardous materials identification
 - Worker [responder] protection
 - Paulsboro responder training and qualifications
- Roles of the Hazardous Materials teams during the response.
- Paulsboro community protective action.

NTSB Tech. Panelists

Rick Downs (Chair), Paul Stancil, Steve Jenner, Muhamed El-Zoghbi

Panel Exhibits

Group 3: A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, J, K, L, M, N, O, P, T, AA, BD, BK

Group 3: BE, BF, BH, BI, BJ, BL, BM, BO, BP, BQ, BR, BS, BW, BX

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●● Panel 2

1:55 p.m. - 3:05 p.m. | hh:mm 01:10

INITIAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE

Witnesses

1. Chief Alfonso G. Giampola, Paulsboro Fire Department
Borough of Paulsboro
2. Deputy Chief Gary C. Stevenson, Paulsboro Fire Department
Borough of Paulsboro
3. Captain Vernon Marino, Paulsboro Police Department
Borough of Paulsboro
4. Neil Ferrone Chief Risk Officer
Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)
5. Patrick Robinson, Emergency Services Superintendent
Paulsboro Refining Company
6. Gary Fillingame, Trainmaster
Consolidated Rail Corporation (Conrail)

- BREAK -

3:05 p.m. - 3:30 p.m. | hh:mm 00:25

Panel 2

3:30 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. | hh:mm 01:30

INITIAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE (CONT'D)

Parties + Board of Inquiry Questioning

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5:00 p.m.



HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

Issue areas

- Occupational Safety and Health requirements for emergency response personnel exposed to uncontrolled releases of hazardous materials applicable to firefighters, public, and private employees.
- New Jersey and Federal Occupational Safety and Health requirements for HAZMAT response.
- The responsibilities of the incident command to organize, control, and manage operations at an emergency incident.
- Recommended practices and mandated procedures for response operations such as site evaluation, hazard controls, and use of appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Pre-incident planning and NFPA 472 Standard of Competencies for Emergency Responders to Hazardous Materials Incidents.
- Fire department hazardous materials incident response practices in light of resource constraints and other fire service priorities.

NTSB Tech. Panelists

Steve Blackistone (Chair), Paul Stancil, Gary Helmer, Erik Grosf

Panel Exhibits

Group 3: A, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z, AA, AB, AC, AD, BG, BK, BW, BX

Group 5: AD, AJ

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●●● Panel 3

9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. | hh:mm 01:00

HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT

Witnesses

1. Glenn Roemmich, Emergency Management Coordinator
Paulsboro Office of Emergency Management
2. Jack DeAngelo, Deputy Emergency Manager
Gloucester County Emergency Response
3. Joe Eldridge, Director of Environmental & Occupational Health Services
New Jersey Department of Health
4. Gregory Cade, Director Government Affairs
National Fire Protection Association (NFPA)
5. Chief Robert Royall, Chairman of Hazardous Material Committee and
Assistant Chief, Emergency Operations, Harris County, Texas
International Association of Fire Chiefs (IAFC)

- BREAK -

10:00 a.m. - 10:25 a.m. | hh:mm 00:25

Panel 3

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HAZARDOUS MATERIALS INCIDENT MANAGEMENT (CONT'D)

Parties + Board of Inquiry Questioning

- LUNCH -

12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. | hh:mm 01:30



STATE AND FEDERAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACTIONS

Issue areas

- The process in New Jersey for emergency operations planning and area contingency plan approval.
- Examine previous approvals, reviews, and findings related to the Paulsboro emergency preparedness.
- The availability of plume modeling to an Incident Commander (IC). Discuss when plume models were provided to the IC and how the models were used in the Paulsboro emergency response.
- Discuss the local and state actions and the public statements related to the Paulsboro response efforts.
- The issues involved when state or federal agencies establish a unified command in a local jurisdiction.
- The Coast Guard decision process and actions preceding the establishment of the Unified Command.

NTSB Tech. Panelists

John Vorderbrueggen (Chair), Paul Stancil, Larry Bowling, Muhamed El-Zoghbi

Panel Exhibits

Group 3: A, AE, AF, AG, AH, AI, AJ, AK, AL, AM, AN, AO, AP

Group 3: AQ, AR, AS, AT, AU, AV, AW, AX, AY, AZ, BA, BB, BC

Group 3: BD, BN, BT, BU, BV, BY

Group 5: AB, AC, AE



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●●●● Panel 4	1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.	hh:mm 01:00
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STATE AND FEDERAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACTIONS

Witnesses

1. Robert Van Fossen, Director of Emergency Management
New Jersey Dept. of Environmental Protection
2. Joe Eldridge, Director of Environmental & Occupational Health Services
New Jersey Department of Health
3. Sergeant Bryan Everingham, State Trooper
New Jersey State Police (Office of Emergency Management)
4. Captain Kathy Moore, Sector Commander, Delaware Bay, FOSC
United States Coast Guard
5. Scott Lundgren, Tech. Advisor, Office of Marine Env. Response
United States Coast Guard

- BREAK -	2:30 p.m. - 2:55 p.m.	hh:mm 00:25
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Panel 4	2:55 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	hh:mm 01:35
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STATE AND FEDERAL EMERGENCY RESPONSE ACTIONS (CONT'D)

Parties + Board of Inquiry Questioning

- CLOSING REMARKS -	4:30 p.m.
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