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Good morning –

Below is the requested protocol for the pressure plate/ valve assembly removal and shipment instructions. Please advise of any questions or additional input that may be helpful to preserve the assemblies.

In removing the pressure plate/valve assembly for shipment, NS to do the following:

- Cut the siphon pipe/eduction pipe about 6-inches below the excess flow valve (if equipped).
- Carefully clean/decon the underside of the pressure plate while protecting/preserving the guide tube and underside of the PRD.
- Place plastic wrap over the PRD top throat and bottom of the valve to prevent any residue contained in the body of the valve from falling out.
- Please do not remove any debris from the PRD throat or valve stem.
- Place the pressure plate/valve assembly in a secure conex box to be stored at the site until the follow up inspection is completed on February 22, 2022

Preparation for follow up inspection of February 22, 2022, NS to do the following:

- Purge and clean the tank cars such that hot work may be done on the tank shell. Have a torch and tools available to cut away jacket and coupons from the car, should it be determined necessary during the inspection.
- Have a means of rolling the car should it be needed. The best orientation to avoid the need for moving tank cars would be 90 on right or left side (which ever has sustained the least amount of mechanical damage).

The follow up tank car inspection will take place tentatively on Wednesday, February 22, 2023. A pre-examination meeting via a conference call will be held on Monday, February 20 to ensure that NS and the site are ready for the inspection, and discuss which organizations will have personnel present on the site.

The Hazmat Group field notes will be distributed to the Group for review and comment immediately after the follow up tank car inspection.

Regards,

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