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Sent: Thu May 13 04:28:47 2010
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Cc: MC252_Email_Retention; Briggs, Steve; MMS.GOM.ICC@MMS.GOV; Malnor, Lawrence K; Aguiluz, Victor; Saperstein, Mark; Holstein, Mark E; Martin, Jean A; Martin, Alison (HSE); Dobbie, John M
Subject: RE: Foul odor and Nausea reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65
Importance: Normal

We requested a helicopter overflight between 16:00 and 17:30 and the pilot reported back that there were no signs of oil in the water near these 2 platforms at that time.

Steven

Sent from my Windows Mobile® phone.

-----Original Message-----

From: Heron, Richard <Richard.Heron@uk.bp.com>
Sent: Wednesday, May 12, 2010 10:05 PM
To: Tremmel, Fred J <Fred.Tremmel@bp.com>; gmillner@cteh.com <gmillner@cteh.com>; Alvin@rba-usa.com <Alvin@rba-usa.com>
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Subject: Re: Foul odor and Nausea reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65

Fred

I have asked Alison Martin (public health) and John Dobbie (IH) and Mark (Tox) to review the concern, formulate response.

Tomorrow for legal review.

It is important to understand the robustness of the sampling strategy and results when you conclude no h2s or voc. :
Do you or Glenn have a view?

Kind Regards,

Richard

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Sent from my BlackBerry Wireless Handheld.

----- Original Message -----

From: Tremmel, Fred J
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Cc: MC252_Email_Retention; Briggs, Steve; 'MMS.GOM.ICC@MMS.GOV' <MMS.GOM.ICC@MMS.GOV>; Malnor, Lawrence K; Aguiluz, Victor; Saperstein, Mark; Heron, Richard; Holstein, Mark E; Martin, Jean A
Sent: Wed May 12 21:44:46 2010
Subject: RE: Foul odor and Nausea reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65

Glenn, Alvin,

I was just told that these two platforms were evacuated today because workers on the platforms were smelling odors and feeling nauseous again. I know that we had air samples in the vicinity yesterday which indicated almost undetectably low levels of VOCs, and no H2S -- is there any monitoring going on in that area today?

The data that we have indicate that hydrocarbon levels are so low that they do not themselves explain the illnesses. I suggested that the odors (and the reported bubbles) might be due to algae, but that is simply speculation on my part.

-----Original Message-----

From: Hubble, Tony | mailto:tohubble@noex.com|
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 2:57 PM
To: 'gmiller@cteh.com'; Tremmel, Fred J; 'MMS.GOM.ICC@MMS.GOV'
Cc: 'Alvin@rba-usa.com'; MC252_Email_Retention; Briggs, Steve
Subject: Re: Foul odor reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65

I will let you know what we find.

Tony Hubble CSM
HSE Manager
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----- Original Message -----

From: Glenn Millner <gmiller@cteh.com>
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Sent: Tue May 11 14:46:22 2010
Subject: RE: Foul odor reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65

Let us know what you find. Our team is out again today testing the air on three more support ships. These samples and the samples I described below are analyzed by GC/MS and are very reliable.

Dr. Glenn C. Millner

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From: Hubble, Tony [tohubble@noex.com]
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Cc: 'Alvin@rba-usa.com'; Glenn Millner; 'MC252_Email_Retention@bp.com'; 'Steve.Briggs@bp.com'
Subject: Re: Foul odor reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65

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Thank you for the response. The foul odor has returned about 1pm today. They are sheltered in place. We are going to the field tomorrow to do air sampling with charcoal absorption tube and have it analyzed with a GC. Total Safety is onsite and have verified that our meters are calibrated. The PID meters are monitoring for VOC's, H2S, LEL. They are reading zero exempt for .9 on VOC.

I am curious if the dispersants reaction with the oil is off gasing something else, which is not detected with the VOC monitor?

Tony Hubble CSM
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----- Original Message -----

From: Tremmel, Fred J <Fred.Tremmel@bp.com>
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Sent: Tue May 11 14:13:16 2010
Subject: RE: Foul odor reported on Fixed Platforms MP 153 and SP 65

Mr. Hubble,

I do not have a ready explanation as to why personnel aboard the two fixed platforms (MP 153 and SP 65) would be experiencing nausea and foul odors. The readings from Total Safety on the platforms indicating very low levels of hydrocarbons and no H2S are consistent with what we have found from multiple samples taken at many different locations onshore and offshore. In fact, we have not detected any H2S in any of our samples during this response.

The only possible explanation I can offer is that I know that there have been reports of algae blooms in the area of these platforms, but I honestly do not know whether this could be associated with odors or illnesses.

I have copied my contact persons at two of the firms that have taken many of the samples to see if they can offer any additional information.

From: MMS.GOM.ICC [mailto:MMS.GOM.ICC@mms.gov]
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 1:50 PM
To: Hubble, Tony; Tremmel, Fred J
Cc: MMS.GOM.ICC
Subject: RE: Foul odor reported

Mr. Hubble,

Mr. Fred Tremmel w/BP will be contacting you.

From: Hubble, Tony [mailto:tohubble@noex.com]
Sent: Tuesday, May 11, 2010 9:29 AM
To: MMS.GOM.ICC
Subject: Foul odor reported

We received reports yesterday from the MP 153 and SP 65 platforms that there was a heavy foul odor at around 2pm. They also reported that there were bubbles that were floating through the fields on the current. We have monitors setup through Total Safety that is detecting .6 VOC, 0 H2S and 0 LEL.

The Technician is currently on location and we are trying to determine what monitors would be appropriate and what is the PEL. Several people last night were nauseas and several were vomiting. The odor subsided during the night and the nausea when away.

Is there any information that you can share as to the source or precautions to take?

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