



*Western Gallup
Refinery
RR Loading/Unloading
Facility*

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Subject: Incident at Western Refinery in Gallup

John,

At approximately 2:50 pm today I answered a call from NM State Police Officer Sean Martin (505-862-1806). He was trying to reach Ruth Horowitz but called our main number instead.

Officer Martin said he had been called by Dr. Beamsley from the Rehobeth McKinley Christian Hospital (RMCH) in Gallup. Dr. Beamsley reported that three employees of Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railroad had come to the hospital earlier today with some unknown health problems. They said they had been off-loading a railcar at Western Refinery in Gallup last night, but they wouldn't tell the doctor what type of product they were off-loading. The doctor also reportedly told Officer Martin that a similar incident had occurred a year or so ago but that incident was never reported to the State Police.

When I couldn't reach you by phone, I called the emergency number listed on our webpage for reporting spills and talked to the dispatcher. He told me that Frank Rodarte of HWB was the on-call person and gave me Frank's number (cell: 660-3107). I gave Frank the information above and he was going to call Steve Pullen and then Officer Martin to initiate our response.

I also left messages for Bob Genoway and Herman Hernandez regarding the incident so that OHSB can initiate an inspection tomorrow.

Please update everyone listed on this email distribution as soon as there is more information to share.

Thanks,
Butch