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For some reason this e-mail never left my computer... I thought it was sent last week.

NYC DOH, Kelly McKinney, suggest I attend the WTC Contractor Health and Safety meeting this past Tuesday. Below is a summary of that meeting:

Date: 01/08/02, 8:00 AM
Location: 3 World Financial Center, 26th Floor, Training Rm 5.

This meeting was chaired by DDC, however due to changes in the administration of the project, future meetings will be chaired by Bovis, one of the prime contractors.

Topics discussed included:

The requirement for all entering the site on a non-emergency basis to attend a site safety meeting. Classes are held weekly and last about 2 hours. Only those who will be going into the pit or will be working by debris piles will need this additional training. Emergency access can be granted. Anyone planning on entering the pit should contact me. I can make the proper arrangements.

The requirement to wear reflective vests while on site.

Reemphasized the minimum approach to a working grapple is 50 feet. Five people have been hit by grapples.

Personal monitoring indicated Jack-hammering / concrete pad break-up operations resulted in silica levels exceeding the standard by 20 times

OSHA presented their Air Sampling Report (I'll distribute a copy via inter-office mail).

Liberty Mutual (the insurance carriers for the site) also presented Occupational Health Hazard Overview. (I'll distribute a copy this also).

No other significant issues were discussed.

I plan to attend the next couple of meetings and provide a report following each. Depending on the direction the meetings take, I may or may not continue attending.

The next meeting is Jan 15, 8:00 AM 3 World Financial Center, 26 th Flr Training Rm 5.

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From: Bennett, Paul [DEPNET1/DEPGPO2/PaulB]
Sent: Tuesday, January 15, 2002 3:30 PM
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Subject: WTC Contractor Health and Safety Mtg summary 1/15/02

Date: 01/15/02, 8:00 AM
Location: 3 World Financial Center, 26th Floor, Training Rm 5.

This meeting was chaired by Bovis, one of the prime contractors.

Topics discussed that may be of interest included:

- Report of a very large amount of what appears to be industrial grease located in the north-east corner of the pit. - EPA and DEC to investigate.
- Site evacuation alarm to be tested at noon on Friday, Jan 18.
- The Ground Zero Emergency Notification Number - 212-747-9193 is currently out of service. Until corrected, **all WTC related emergencies should be reported to FDNY Manhattan Dispatch at 212-570-4261.**
- Eight RAMS (Real-time Air Monitoring Stations) to be installed by ATC Environmental around the perimeter of the inner zone.
- Plans are being made to shrink the zone within the next couple of weeks. Plans are to remove the fence at the outer perimeter, leaving the inner perimeter as the zone.
- OSHA Analysis of bulk samples indicated a maximum level of 0.9 ppm of mercury. This sample was collected in the vicinity of 6 WTC. This level was reported to be within normal background levels for NYC. The maximum level of mercury detected at the Staten Island Landfill site was 0.1 ppm. Air monitoring results were non-detect for mercury. OSHA indicated that copies of their results are available in their office. I have asked if the info they have in their office is any different than the information posted on the internet. When I get this info, I'll pass it along.
- *Lake Zero*, the ponding of water in the lowest part of the excavation, was dewatered sometime during the past week. I understand that Mike Burton, Deputy Commissioner DDC, spoke to someone at DEP and advised that the presence of the water was interfering with the rescue efforts and that it needed to be removed. DDC was given the go ahead. Bob L. - Are you aware of this?

End of meeting

Next meeting scheduled for Tuesday, Jan. 22, at 8:00 AM 3 World Financial Center, 26th Floor, Training Rm 5.

N.B. Last week, I asked Bob Adams, DDC, for copies of the analysis of the groundwater being discharged as part of the slurry wall pumping operation. He said he will get me a copy. I will forward this as well as any other water quality data he provides.

Paul.

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