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NORTH AMERICA**

March 23, 2011

Mr. Jim Byer  
Department of Environmental Protection  
Northwest District Office  
160 Governmental Center  
Pensacola, FL 32501-5794

RE: Veolia ES Technical Solutions, L.L.C.  
342 Marpan Lane  
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EPA ID# FL0000207449  
Permit#: H037-82472-004

Dear Mr. Byer:

This letter is being submitted per the requirement and as a follow up to the telephone notifications to Melissa Woehle regarding the implementation of the contingency plan on March 10, 2011.

**Site Information:**

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On March 10<sup>th</sup>, 2011 at approximately 11:32am Veolia trailer 818137 was being unloaded when it was discovered that our customer Alabama Power had shipped three mercury bearing devices, (thermometers from the area plants) in super sacks, These sacks were unlined and the devices were in fact broken and leaking resulting in a spill of elemental mercury. Upon identification of the issue we implemented the contingency plan utilizing both people and resources onsite to effect a clean up of this trailer. The customer was notified immediately. We notified local Emergency Response and were given an incident



report number of 1384, We also notified NRC and were given an incident report number of 969814.

Upon discovery of the elemental mercury in the trailer an assessment was done and as a result we identified that no mercury had leaked from the trailer to the dock or under the trailer. Clean up took place on board the trailer and resulted in some 3.5 pounds of elemental mercury being recovered. The mercury containing devices were repackaged and removed to the disassembly room in the facility for further dismantling and recovery of the mercury from the devices and super sacks.

The result of this situation is 10 containers of material for disposal. The material destined for CWM, Emelle Alabama includes, spill debris, pallets, and used super sacks. The weight of this material is 774.4 pounds

The mercury bearing devices themselves (weight 583 pounds) have been managed on site and are part of our normal production. This weight is in addition to that mentioned above.

At this time the trailer (818137) is contained in the north yard of the facility. For environmental reasons we have parked this trailer on 10mil poly sheeting and created a "bag" around the undercarriage. This is a precautionary measure only as there was no evidence of leaking through the floor. We have contracted with Veolia ES Special Services to complete the remediation of this trailer, And have arranged for the flooring material to be treated of and disposed of with Waste Management in Emelle, AL . The removal and disposal of the contaminated flooring will complete the response to this incident.

Sincerely,

VEOLIA ES TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS, L.L.C.

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Operations Manager

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