

**ARKANSAS DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENT,
DIVISION OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY**

IN THE MATTER OF:

**Team Express Logistics, Inc.
6025 Stage Rd 42142
Bartlett TN 38134**

**LIS: 25-026
ER: 25-0082
Function Code: 62347**

**March 21, 2025 VERBAL ORDER DATE
Re: incident in ST. FRANCIS COUNTY, ARKANSAS**

EMERGENCY ORDER OF THE DIRECTOR

The Director of the Arkansas Department of Energy and Environment (E&E), Division of Environmental Quality (DEQ), has determined that the release or threatened release of the potentially hazardous abandoned substance(s) presents an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health, safety or welfare or to the environment and therefore that emergency conditions exist.

Therefore, pursuant to authority provided by the Remedial Action Trust Fund Act as set forth in Ark. Code Ann. § 8-7-501 *et seq.*; the Arkansas Hazardous Waste Management Act as set forth in Ark. Code Ann. § 8-7-201 *et seq.*; the Arkansas Solid Waste Management Act as set forth in Ark. Code Ann. § 8-6-201 *et seq.*; the Arkansas Water and Air Pollution Control Act as set forth in Ark. Code Ann. § 8-4-101 *et seq.* and the rules promulgated thereunder, the Director makes the following Findings of Fact and orders the following remedial actions to be taken immediately to remedy the emergency conditions.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. On March 18, 2025, a transportation incident involving a truck operated by Team Express Logistics, Inc. occurred on I-30 eastbound at mile marker 242 which resulted in release of approximately 2,000 gallons of a 5,900 gallon load of mixed heavy refined petroleum products containing potential heavy metals and other petroleum pollutants to an interstate ditch.
2. The approximately 3900 gallons of hazardous materials continued leaking from the truck and was temporarily contained and collected on site.
3. From March 18th to March 21st E&E's Emergency Management Services made multiple attempts to secure remediation efforts through the Team Express Logistics, Inc. and their insurance companies with no success.

Based on the facts and nature of this situation, the Director determined that an emergency existed and issued a verbal order on March 21, 2025, as allowed by Ark. Code Ann. § 8-7-508(k), ordering immediate remedial action in accordance with Ark. Code Ann. § 8-1-202(b)(2)(C), § 8-4-220, § 8-4-304, § 8-6-202, § 8-7-213, § 8-7-214 and § 8-7-508(h).

ORDER OF REMEDIAL ACTION

The Director, on March 21, 2025, ordered that:

1. The Team Express Logistics, Inc. shall immediately initiate remedial actions to prevent any migration of released waste to waters of the state and contain the hazardous substances and hazardous wastes at the impacted site;
2. The Team Express Logistics, Inc. shall provide a verbal action plan to E&E Emergency Management Services or their designee for the initial remediation and immediately implement the measures concurred with;
3. The Team Express Logistics, Inc. shall submit a written action plan to E&E Emergency Management Services for review within seventy-two (72) hours of the verbal execution of this order. The plan shall describe how the Team Express Logistics, Inc. plans to comply with the requirements of this order including scheduled timelines for completion of the activities necessary to restore the impacted site to permissible limits of contamination;
5. The Team Express Logistics, Inc. shall excavate all contaminated soil and collect all waste, liquids and containers from the site and then provide confirmation samples indicating site is below permissible limits of contamination;
6. The Team Express Logistics, Inc. shall conduct proper disposal of all hazardous substances and hazardous wastes;
7. The Team Express Logistics, Inc. shall provide all necessary documentation of cleanup and disposal as may be requested by E&E's Emergency Management Services to include a report of activities conducted, lab analyses, photographs, waste manifest and receipts issued by the facility receiving the material for final disposal.

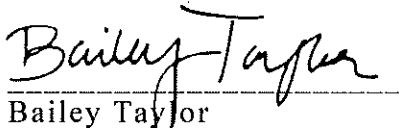
If necessary to prevent endangerment to public health, safety or welfare or to the environment, DEQ shall have use of moneys from the Remedial Action Trust Fund Act to take necessary actions to include hiring and paying for personnel and equipment to properly abate the endangerments with such costs

being billed to the Team Express Logistics, Inc. along with applicable charges as allowed by law.

Nothing in this Order shall limit the rights of DEQ to issue further orders to pursue any further enforcement actions for remediation, penalties and costs from any party.

This Order is effective immediately upon verbal issuance on March 21, 2025, and is confirmed by signature of the Director.

DATED THIS 26 DAY of March, 2025

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Bailey Taylor", written over a horizontal line.

Bailey Taylor
Director, Division of Environmental Quality