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**Subject:** 5-Day Report (Jan 22) Updates - RE: Spill-Upset Reporting Notification (January 16) - Paul R Noland WWTF [AFIN 72-00781, AR0020010]

Good afternoon Ms Graham,

I wanted to share with the agency a few updates pertaining to last week's reported spill.

1. Clarifier scum pumps remain isolated to prevent further spill(s) from the buried drain lines.
2. Regional temperatures have just recently warmed to above freezing, and should hold through this week, promoting soil thaw and allowing area excavation.
3. We anticipate having the buried drain line exposed and repaired this week; we will provide an email update when line repairs are completed and the clarifier process back to normal operation.

Thank you and I can be reached anytime at the number below if you have any questions in the meantime.

Best Regards,

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**Subject:** Spill-Upset Reporting Notification (January 16) - Paul R Noland WWTF [AFIN 72-00781, AR0020010]

Good morning Ms Graham,

I'm sharing a second notification that a spill-upset also occurred Tuesday morning (January 16) at the Paul R Noland WWTF (AFIN 72-00781, AR0020010).

- Tuesday morning an Operator found an underground leak between the facility's Main Office Building and Influent Pump Station.
- We believe the leak originates from a buried drain line connected to the clarifier scum pits.

- The subsequent spill of untreated wastewater likely resulted from a break in the buried drain line, which we believe was caused by several days of sub-freezing temperatures with extraordinarily low nighttime temperatures below 0°F.
- An estimated 600 gallons of untreated wastewater could have been released from the buried line break onto facility grounds only; no receiving waters were impacted by this incident.
- Lime has been applied to the impacted area, and excavation of the area scheduled once soil thawing allows; additionally, clarifier scum pumps have been temporarily isolated to prevent any further spills.
- We'll be sure to share updates with a 5-day report following determination of drain line condition and subsequent repairs.

No adverse environmental impacts have been observed and none are expected.

Thank you and the attached online report has already been submitted.

## **CONFIRMATION NUMBER**

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Best Regards,

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