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Sent: Monday, October 01, 2007 7:48 AM

To: Jeffrey Crawford; Pallister, Donna

Cc: Kelly Owens; Dunham, Mark

Subject: RE: Springfield Street Schools

I spoke to Mark Dunham from the school dept on Friday and the nurses logs are being sent to Fishback.

From: Jeffrey Crawford [mailto:jeff.crawford@dem.ri.gov]

Sent: Monday, October 01, 2007 7:42 AM

To: Pallister, Donna; Alan Sepe

Cc: Kelly Owens

Subject: RE: Springfield Street Schools

Donna-

Thank you for your response and clarification. This will assist us in responding to the requests made. I have also not received any complaints or copies of nurses logs. I am not sure who the school department is sending the logs to, but I pretty sure Department has not received any of the logs. I will talk to you soon. Jeff

-----Original Message-----

From: Pallister, Donna [mailto:Donna.Pallister@lfr.com]

Sent: Friday, September 28, 2007 3:28 PM

To: Jeffrey Crawford; Alan Sepe (E-mail); Pallister, Donna

Cc: Kelly Owens

Subject: RE: Springfield Street Schools

Jeff,

The monitoring is currently being conducted using direct read instruments, as specified in the Long Term Operations and Maintenance Plan which was part of the approved Remedial Action Work Plan. The direct read instruments have detection limits that are adequate to determine if concentrations are above the action levels specified in the Plan. The instruments are being calibrated against known standards prior to use. Therefore, we do not understand the need for an alternate method of analysis.

Summa canisters are a method of sample collection, not an analytical method, and use of summa canisters does not automatically indicate greater accuracy or precision over direct read instruments.

I have not received any information about complaints; it is my understanding that the school department is submitting copies of nurse's logs which would contain the information that you requested.

Donna

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From: Jeffrey Crawford [mailto:jeff.crawford@DEM.RI.GOV]
Sent: Friday, September 28, 2007 2:15 PM
To: Alan Sepe (E-mail); Donna Pallister (E-mail)
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Subject: Springfield Street Schools

Alan and Donna-

An issue has been raised concerning the ongoing indoor air analysis at the elementary and middle school concerning the testing capabilities of the instruments/monitors currently being used to test the indoor air vs. obtaining samples with summa canisters. Does the analysis of a summa canister include testing for CO, CO₂, SO₂, methane etc. or does specific monitoring equipment need to be used.

The Department would like to have several summa canisters samples obtained from each of the two schools during the next quarterly round of sampling (in addition to the regular quarterly sampling) for comparison to the concentrations being measured with the current monitoring equipment .

Also, has there been any documented complaints from parents, teachers, students etc. about breathing problems, rashes, odors etc. and if so were they reported to the school nurse or Department of Health.

Thank you Jeff C.

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