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ADEM Investigating Mercaptan Release

The Alabama Department of Environmental Management is investigating a mercaptan odorant release in Chambers County, east of Highway 29 in Valley, near Hodges Street.

On October 18, ADEM received notification from Spire of approximately 60 gallons of liquid mercaptan released from an aboveground storage tank. The spill was discovered during routine valve maintenance. Consultants have been contracted by Spire to oversee the assessment and necessary cleanup. Spire and contractors are working to abate the odors in the immediate area. Based on the information available, it appears the impacts to the area are very localized.

ADEM has been onsite to assess the situation and will continue to provide oversight to the clean-up procedures at the location. The situation is being monitored closely by the Department.

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