



# Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

## Office of General Counsel

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### Memorandum

To: Board Members

From: Christopher Warner

Cc: Leadership Team  
Rachael Gunaratnam  
Christina Morgan

Subject: Board Action Report – Notation Item 929

Date: May 30, 2012

On May 22, 2012, the Board approved Notation Item 929, thereby designating Recommendations 2010-05-I-TX-R3 and R4, to Texas Tech University (from the Texas Tech University laboratory explosion investigation), with the status of Open – Acceptable Response.

### Voting Summary – Notation Item 929

**Disposition: APPROVED**

**Disposition date: May 22, 2012**

	Approve	Disapprove	Calendar	Not Participating	Date
<b>R. Moure-Eraso</b>	X				05/09/12
<b>J. Bresland</b>	X				05/11/12
<b>M. Griffon</b>	X				05/22/12



U.S. Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board

MEMORANDUM

May 9, 2012

To: Board Members

From: Rafael Moure-Eraso

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Cc: Daniel Horowitz  
Manuel Gomez  
Rachael Gunaratnam  
Christina Morgan

Subject: Notation Items 925 – 931

Attached for your review and vote are Notation Items 925 through 931. These items provide for the approval of status changes to several recommendations, based upon evaluations of recipient responses prepared by the Office of Recommendations. These response evaluations and proposed status changes have been reviewed and approved by the Director of Recommendations.

You may direct any questions about these items to the Office of Recommendations staff members named in the evaluation reports, which are attached to each item. Additional background information and documentation for each of the recommendations covered by these notation items is posted on the G Drive at: G:\Recommendations\Recommendations for Board Vote\2012-05-08. For your convenience, you will also receive an e-mail with the links to the background information and documentation. Please note that your computer must be connected to the CSB network either at the office or via VPN in order to access these files.

Please return your completed vote sheets to Chris Kirkpatrick no later than the close of business on May 23, 2012. Thank you for your attention to these items.

**U.S. Chemical Safety and  
Hazard Investigation Board**



**Hon. Rafael Moure-Eraso**  
Chairperson

**Hon. John S. Bresland**  
Board Member

**Hon. Mark Griffon**  
Board Member

**CHEMICAL SAFETY AND HAZARD INVESTIGATION BOARD  
MEMBER VOTING RECORD**

**Notation No.: 929**

**Voting Period: May 9 – May 23, 2012**

**Subject: Status Change – Recommendations to Texas Tech University (2010-05-I-TX-R3 and R4)  
from the Texas Tech University Laboratory Explosion Investigation (2010-05-I-TX)**

Whereas,

1. The Board is authorized by 42 U.S.C. § 7412(r)(6)(C)(i) to “investigate . . . and report to the public in writing the facts, conditions, and circumstances and the cause or probable cause of any accidental release resulting in a fatality, serious injury or substantial property damages;”
2. The Board is further authorized by 42 U.S. C. § 7412(r)(6)(C)(ii) to “issue periodic reports to the Congress, Federal, State and local agencies, including the Environmental Protection Agency and the Occupational Safety and Health Administration, concerned with the safety of chemical production, processing, handling and storage, and other interested persons recommending measures to reduce the likelihood or the consequences of accidental releases and proposing corrective steps to make chemical production, processing, handling and storage as safe and free from risk of injury as is possible;”
3. The Board has issued such recommendations to **Texas Tech University** based upon the findings of the Board’s Texas Tech University laboratory explosion investigation;
4. Consistent with Order 022, the Board is to vote on changes to the status of recommendations;
5. The staff of the Office of Recommendations proposes that the status of the above named recommendation should be changed, as described in the attached Recommendation Response Evaluation.

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**Notation No.:** 929  
**Subject:** Status Change – Recommendations 2010-05-I-TX-R3 and R4

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Therefore, pursuant to its authority, the Board hereby votes to designate **Recommendations 2010-05-I-TX-R3 and R4** with the status of **Open – Acceptable Response**.

\_\_\_\_\_ I **APPROVE** this notation item **AS PRESENTED**.

\_\_\_\_\_ I **CALENDAR** this notation item for discussion at a Board meeting.

\_\_\_\_\_ *Some of my concerns are discussed below or on the attached memorandum.*

\_\_\_\_\_ I **DISAPPROVE** this notation item.

\_\_\_\_\_ *A dissent is attached.*

\_\_\_\_\_ *I will not file a dissent.*

\_\_\_\_\_ I am **NOT PARTICIPATING**.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Member: \_\_\_\_\_