

PROJECT OVERVIEW

An unfortunate fire and then an extreme explosion occurred in a digester at an industrial facility. Over 200 homes and property were covered with a tar like substance that included wood fibers, water, pulping materials, unknown substances, and chemicals. Cotton was tasked with organization of all affiliated parties to clean, decontaminate and provide documented success that all affected structures and locations were made safe from both an environmental and sanitation stance.

Cotton provided preliminary overall guidance and direction of personnel to generate the necessary scope assisting determination of how to collect and test product remnants and to provide air and water sampling from both affected and nonaffected areas for the accumulation of quantitative measurements that would assist in determination of final clearance and cleanliness of the affected locations. Cotton and Facility personnel teamed together in each community to walk house to house to distribute detailed information about the event and recovery process.

THE OTTON DIFFERENTIATOR

- HELPED PREVENT FURTHER CONTAMINATION by working quickly and efficiently
- The project was completed IN LESS THAN 90-DAYS
- Cotton worked with MULTIPLE AGENCIES AND REGULATORY OFFICIALS
- Enlisted to RUN POINT WITH BOTH NATIONAL AND LOCAL PRESS

TURNKEY SERVICES PROVIDED

- Determination of affected areas and extent of damage
- Bulk removal of product from all affected areas.
- Bulk removal of product from plant entrance/exit to allow business to continue during the time of clean up.
- Removal of product from homes, yards, and all private/public areas that were showered with debris
- Clean up and removal of debris from streets and highways
- Pre and post clearance sampling by environmental personnel to ensure success in removal of all product in affected areas

- Provided meals and dining option to personnel to and Cotton Team assisting in recovery and remediation efforts
- Provided personnel, to include management and labor for cleaning and product removal required to eliminate the threat of excess product distributed across the environment