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Jolley 22-16 Inspection

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Thanks,

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John,

Thanks for sending the photo. I will run out right now and check on it to see if we have a leak of some sort. I can't see from the pic where this line is located, but I do not believe that this is associated with the pit that we're trying to close. I know they are doing some work on the south end of that pad, so I'll go see what I can find out.

Also, I have not been able to contact Mr. Kent Jolley yet regarding a discussion with him about the SAR/EC levels in the pit ... but I hope to hear from him soon. I will keep you guys posted on what I find out.

Thanks.

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John,

I just heard back from our construction supervisor and the "black fluid" that you see is simply a mastic (i.e., exterior coating) that is used for cathodic protection purposes. The mastic is spread over the bolts on the flange to help prevent them from rusting out. I also spoke with one of our guys who is out on that job right now and he assured me that this flange is not leaking.

The mastic is a thick, viscous, sticky material and it is a messy product to use. I will have the guys clean up any residual mastic that may be on the ground, but this is simply a protective exterior coating that is used on flanges, fittings, etc. that may be susceptible to corrosion.