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Section 1. Registration Information

Source Identification

Facility Name: Britz Fertilizers, Inc. - Helm Railroad

Siding

Parent Company #1 Name: Britz Fertilizers, Inc.

Submission Type: Corrections
Receipt Date: August 2006
Status: Deregistered
Deregistration Effective Date: January 2009

Facility Identification

Facility ID: 1000 0012 2529

Dun and Bradstreet Numbers (DUNS)

Facility DUNS: 175495589

Facility Location Address

Street 1: 16651 West Kamm Avenue

 Street 2:
 N/A

 City:
 Helm

 State:
 CA

 ZIP:
 93627

 ZIP4:
 N/A

 County:
 Fresno

Facility Latitude and Longitude

Latitude (decimal): 36.529110 Longitude (decimal): -120.091260

Local Emergency Planning Committee and Regulations

LEPC: Region 5 LEPC Inland South

 OSHA PSM:
 N/A

 EPCRA 302:
 Yes

 CAA Title V:
 N/A

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Process Chemicals

Program Level: Program Level 2 process Chemical Name: Ammonia (anhydrous)

CAS Number: 7664-41-7 Flammable/Toxic: Toxic

Process NAICS

NAICS Code: 42459

NAICS Description: Other Farm Product Raw Material

Merchant Wholesalers

Section 6. Accident History

Accident History ID: Accident 1

Date of Accident:

Time Accident Began (HH:MM):

VAICS Code of Process Involved:

42459

NAICS Description: Other Farm Product Raw Material

Merchant Wholesalers

Release Duration: 005 Hours 50 Minutes

Release Event

Gas Release:YesLiquid Spill/Evaporation:YesFire:N/AExplosion:N/AUncontrolled/Runaway Reaction:N/A

Release Source

Storage Vessel: Yes Piping: N/A Process Vessel: N/A Transfer Hose: N/A Valve: Yes Pump: N/A Joint: N/A Other Release Source: N/A

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Wind Speed: N/A

Units: Meters/second

Direction:N/ATemperature:N/AAtmospheric Stability Class:N/APrecipitation Present:N/AUnknown Weather Conditions:Yes

On-Site Impacts

Employee or Contractor Deaths:

Public Responder Deaths:

O
Public Deaths:

Employee or Contractor Injuries:

O
Public Responder Injuries:

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Public Injuries:

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On-Site Property Damage (\$):

Known Off-Site Impacts

Deaths: 0
Hospitalizations: 0
Public Deaths: 0
Other Medical Treatments: 2
Evacuated: 60
Sheltered-in-Place: 0
Off-Site Property Damage (\$): 0

Environmental Damage

Fish or Animal Kills:

Tree, Lawn, Shrub, or Crop Damage:

Water Contamination:

N/A

Soil Contamination:

Other Environmental Damage:

N/A

Initiating Event

Initiating Event: Natural(Weather Conditions Earthquake)

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Contributing Factors

Equipment Failure: N/A N/A Human Error: Improper Procedures: N/A Yes Overpressurization: **Upset Condition:** N/A By-Pass Condition: N/A Maintenance Activity/Inactivity: N/A Process Design Failure: N/A Unsuitable Equipment: N/A Unusual Weather Condition: Yes Management Error: N/A

Other Contributing Factor: Pressure relief valve vented due to high

temperature and internal tank pressure. Main tank valve was open. Relief valve vented until responders closed tank

valve.

Off-Site Responders Notified

Off-Site Responders Notified: Notified and Responded

Changes Introduced as a Result of the Accident

Yes Improved or Upgraded Equipment: Revised Maintenance: N/A Revised Training: Yes Revised Operating Procedures: N/A New Process Controls: N/A New Mitigation Systems: N/A Revised Emergency Response Plan: N/A Changed Process: N/A Reduced Inventory: Yes N/A Other Changes Introduced: N/A

Chemicals in Accident History

Quantity Released (lbs): 9270
Percent Weight: 99.9

Chemical Name: Ammonia (anhydrous)

CAS Number: 7664-41-7 Flammable/Toxic: Toxic

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Section 9. Emergency Response

Written Emergency Response (ER) Plan

Community Plan (Is facility included in written community emergency response plan?):

Yes

Facility Plan (Does facility have its own written emergency response plan?):

N/A

Response Actions (Does ER plan include specific actions to be taken in response to accidental releases of regulated substance(s)?):

N/A

Public Information (Does ER plan include procedures for informing the public and local agencies responding to accidental release?):

N/A

Healthcare (Does facility's ER plan include information on emergency health care?):

N/A

Local Agency

Agency Name (Name of local agency with which the facility ER plan or response activities are coordinated):

Fresno County Environmental Health

Agency Phone Number (Phone number of local agency with which the facility ER plan or response activities are coordinated):

(559) 445-3357