

Putting Workers and Communities First in Wisconsin

After learning of whistleblower reports that three Greif Inc. owned industrial refurbishing plants in the Milwaukee area were in violation of federal law by transporting, storing, and treating hazardous waste without the required licenses, I have worked tirelessly to demand action and accountability.

In collaboration with Senator Tammy Baldwin, I have successfully called for the opening of investigations by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), the Occupational Health and Safety Administration (OSHA) and the Department of Transportation (DOT) at each of the three facilities in Wisconsin (St. Francis, Oak Creek and Milwaukee). As the investigations continue to unfold, I will be monitoring the situation closely.

February 15, 2017 - Congresswoman Moore and Senator Baldwin call for an EPA investigation into the reported environmental violations.

February 15, 2017 - Congresswoman Moore and Senator Baldwin request OSHA investigate hazardous and unsafe workplaces, which risk exposing workers to serious short-term hazards and long-term health impacts.

February 15, 2017 - Congresswoman Moore and Senator Baldwin urge DOT Secretary Elaine Chao to investigate potential violations of federal laws governing the safe transportation of hazardous materials.

February 15, 2017 - Congresswoman Moore and Senator Baldwin call on the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) to investigate the allegations to determine whether the company that owns the recycling plants in question has violated federal securities laws, including insider trading.

May 8, 2017 - Congresswoman Moore and Senator Baldwin ask for the DOT investigation to be made public after completion.

September 28, 2017 - Congresswoman Moore urges SEC, EPA, OSHA and DOT to commit to public meetings in the impacted neighborhoods.

January 27, 2018 - Congresswoman Moore calls on the EPA to establish long term air quality monitoring solutions in Milwaukee and St. Francis to ensure the health and safety of children at nearby schools.

March 9, 2018 - Congresswoman Moore cosponsors the Protecting America's Workers Act which amends the Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 to increase penalties for high gravity violations, adjust penalties for inflation, and secure rights for victims or their family members.

Results for Our District

St. Francis Facility – Open investigations: DOT, OSHA and EPA

- DOT issued probable violations and proposed civil penalties on August 31, 2017.
- EPA issued a notice of violation on November 27, 2017.

Milwaukee Facility - Open investigations: OSHA, DOT and EPA

- OSHA issued a \$108,461 fine for violations at the facility on April 12, 2017.
- DOT issued probable violations and proposed civil penalties on August 31, 2017.
- EPA issued a notice of violation on November 27, 2017.