



JFK NEIGHBORHOOD EXPLOSIONS REPORT

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-Denyvetta [President of JFK Neighborhood Association]

"The first explosion I ever heard sounded like the Murrah Building and it really scared the death out of me."

-LaDonna [Local Developer]

"Can we be honest? I mean, brutally honest? Would a large, noisy recycling center have been allowed to be built at NW 63 and Western? Heck no. But the John F. Kennedy neighborhood wasn't populated by middle- and upper-class whites. It was populated by working-class minorities. It wasn't OK then and it isn't OK now."

-Steve [Reporter & Columnist]

"When will this matter to those in 'power' (those who can ban together and make a change)?"

-Cresha [Resident]

"The explosions scare me. I live alone and it sounds like someone just kicked in my door."

-Sharon [Resident]

"I have an elderly neighbor who told me she has almost fallen several times because the explosions startle her so badly. I now go and check on her after each explosion to make sure she is okay."

-Taylor [Resident]

QUOTES

"When I was working at the State Health Department at NE 10th and Stonewall, several coworkers and I felt the blasts from there. Once or twice I photographed the rising smoke afterward from the rooftop or windows on upper floors.."

-Walter [State Health Department]

"For the past nine years the explosions from the recycling plant have been a major source of disruption and concern for my wife and I. Our home has sustained some structural damage, our sleep is sometimes disrupted and our complaints as well as the complaints of others seem to have fallen on deaf ears."

-Rodney [Resident]

"I have experiences these loud explosions for more than 8 years, I'm afraid they will continue until businesses located in downtown OKC are affected. I guess as JFK residents our voice doesn't matter."

-Greg [Resident]

MEDIA COVERAGE

The local media has covered the explosions or 'booms' on several occasions. The most media attention occurred in 2013 and 2014. There has been contradicting information given to the media by the recycling plants.

This screenshot shows a news article on the newsok website. The article title is "Residents of Oklahoma City neighborhood sound off about recycling yard" by William Crum, published on October 23, 2013. The article includes a video player titled "Boomtown (2013-10-23)" which shows a truck at a recycling facility. To the left of the video is a smaller video player featuring a news anchor in a studio setting with a "CITY TAKING ACTION" graphic.

This screenshot shows a news article on the newsok website titled "OKC Central: Still work to be done in OKC's minority communities" by Steve Lackmeyer, published on April 28, 2018. The article features an aerial photograph of an industrial area with several large buildings and parking lots. A social media sharing sidebar is visible on the left side of the page.

This screenshot shows a news article from KOCO NEWS 5 titled "Oklahoma City restricts recycling plant operating times after noise complaints". The article reports that the council approved an ordinance after complaints of loud booms. The article includes a video showing a large mechanical arm at a recycling plant. The author is Erielle Reshef.

Landfills, recycling plants have councilman's attention

By: William Crum

Published: October 21, 2013

John A. Pettis Jr., elected in 2013, is the city councilman from Ward 7 in Oklahoma City.

Ward 7 Councilman John A. Pettis Jr. recently traveled to New Orleans to attend a federal Environmental Protection Agency workshop on environmental justice. When he returned, Pettis took several questions from The Oklahoman about what environmental justice means for residents of Oklahoma City. Here is an edited transcript.

Q: When we talk about environmental justice for minority communities, what do we mean?

A: Environmental justice means fair treatment and meaningful involvement of all people regardless of race, color, sex, national origin or income with respect to the development, implementation and enforcement of environmental laws, regulations and policies.

Q: What are the two most pressing environmental justice issues in Oklahoma City?

A: Landfill expansions and recycling plants. Most landfills and recycling plants that the city of Oklahoma City does business with are in minority and underserved communities, raising issues with regard to health, economic development and reduced property values. Many minorities feel helpless dealing with landfills and recycling operations because they are very powerful.

Q: What's next on this front in Oklahoma City?

A: Oklahoma City has to find ways to dispose of waste other than placing it in minority and underserved communities. Furthermore, we must be aggressive in dealing with these issues. I attended a recent JFK neighborhood meeting where great concern was expressed over the negative impact of several recycling plants. We should end zoning of these facilities in minority and underserved communities because of the negative impact it has on these communities.

Q: How can residents learn about environmental justice?

A: In the next few months, I will be hosting community meetings to educate citizens about environmental justice. The federal Environmental Protection Agency Region 6 will host training next spring in Oklahoma City. It is important for minority and underserved communities to know their rights when dealing with landfills and recycling plants. Elected officials and governmental agencies must be held accountable.

Ward 7 Town Hall meeting to focus on code enforcement

10/23/13

The community is invited to join Ward 7 Councilman John A. Pettis Jr. for a town hall meeting at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, November 19 to learn about code enforcement.

The meeting will be in rooms F and G of the Business Conference Center at Springlake Metro Tech, 1900 Springlake Drive. Motorists can park in lot E and access the building through entrance seven.

Panelists include Code Enforcement Superintendent Charles Locke, Action Center Manager Beth Crouse, Medical Community Neighborhood Association President Jerry Cable and Denyvetta Davis, President of the JFK Neighborhood.

“This meeting will give residents the information they need to recognize and report issues in their neighborhood,” said Ward 7 Councilman John Pettis. “The most common problems that plague Ward 7 include high grass and weeds, yard parking and junk and debris. Reporting violations is key to revitalizing our neighborhoods.”

Councilman Pettis was sworn into office on April 9, 2013. Ward 7 primarily covers northeast Oklahoma City.

NewsOK

Residents of Oklahoma City neighborhood sound off about recycling yard

October 23, 2013

LaDonna Gilliam calls the list her “boom tracker.”

The list documents 35 explosions that have rocked sections of the JFK neighborhood off NE 4 since she began tracking them on Jan. 11, 2012.

Residents say the random booms come from the Derichebourg metal recycling yard, in an industrial area between Interstate 40 and the railroad tracks off E Reno Avenue.

City officials have tracked the problem and attended meetings in the neighborhood for several years. Inspectors with sound meters have gone out but found nothing to measure.

That doesn't surprise Housing Authority Executive Director Mark Gillett, who has heard the booms. His office is right behind the recycling yard.

“You don't know when it's going to happen,” he said.

Messages left by phone Wednesday at Derichebourg's office were not returned.

News9

NE OKC Residents Fight To Stop Loud Booms From Recycling Plants

February 11, 2014

Oklahoma City, OK -

The city is trying to silence the loud booms coming from industrial recycling plants.

Neighbors near east Reno claim you can not only hear the loud booms early in the morning and throughout the day, you can also see the damage inside homes.

Denyvetta Davis said the explosions coming from two recycling plants on east Reno have caused walls in homes to crack in the John F. Kennedy neighborhood near MLK and N.E. 4th St.

"We believe we deserve the same kind of quality of life as other residents in Oklahoma City," Davis, who hears several booms every week, said.

The city is in the process of writing up an ordinance with the hopes of eliminating the explosions.

"We want to make sure cars, when they go through these shredding machines, are emptied out of explosive devices like vehicle airbags, things like that," OKC Fire Department Chief Keith Bryant said.

Both Derichebourg Recycling and Standard Iron and Metal on east Reno dispute claims that the vehicle airbags cause the explosions.

They said it's usually propane tanks that explode in the shredder machines, because they went undetected.

"It's not something we have complete control of," Attorney David Pardue, who spoke to City Council on behalf of Derichebourg Recycling, said.

Pardue disputed claims that the explosions cause damage to homes nearby, or that toxic gas is produced from the shredding.

Pardue also said the explosion occurs once every three weeks.

The city is now deciding how the ordinance proposal, that could result in fines, should be written. The City Council could vote on this issue by February 25th.

KOCO

Oklahoma City restricts recycling plant operating times after noise complaints

February 25th, 2014

OKLAHOMA CITY —

Residents in the JFK neighborhood in northeast Oklahoma City said repeated loud booms are menacing.

“It affects our quality of life. We should not be awakened by loud noises that shatter our windows or put cracks in our walls or our ceilings,” said Denyveta Davis, the president of the neighborhood association.

Neighbors blame the noise on nearby recycling plants.

City council voted unanimously Tuesday in favor of a new ordinance that bans recycling companies in the area from operating before 7 a.m. without special permit. It also requires them to report any booms.

“By changing my hours, saying I can't run at 5 a.m. and saying I have to wait until 7 a.m. to run until 7 p.m. could mean a matter of maybe eight or nine loads that I'm going to lose of shredded metal,” said Dennis Griffith, production supervisor at Derichebourg Recycling USA.

The booms are caused by propane tanks accidentally running through a shredder, Griffith said.

Despite stringent rules against accepting any metals like cars containing propane tanks, they are often hard to detect, Griffith said.

“The person brings a car, it may have a propane cylinder that's hidden inside,” he said. “Can we prevent it 100 percent? No, we cannot prevent it 100 percent. We do our due diligence, try to do our best. I have guys back there inspecting constantly.”

Residents praised the council for instating the ordinance. “We are glad. This is a great start,” Davis said. The ordinance takes effect in May

The Oklahoma

OKC Central: Still work to be done in OKC's minority communities

April 28th, 2018

Q: What is the most important thing to ensure the JFK district continues to grow?

A: City leaders must begin a discussion with Derichebourg at 100 N Bath Ave. to move to a new location that isn't next to a neighborhood like JFK.

Can we be honest? I mean, brutally honest? Back in the first half of the 20th century, City Hall was one of those gentile racist places where they weren't really out physically beating our minority residents, but they were doing all they could to force all the ugly blight into their neighborhoods. Would a large, noisy recycling center have been allowed to be built at NW 63 and Western?

Heck no. But the John F. Kennedy neighborhood wasn't populated by middle- and upper-class whites. It was populated by working-class minorities. It wasn't OK then and it isn't OK now. And the argument that these recycling centers have been located along the south side of the neighborhood doesn't make it any better for the residents of JFK, both newcomers and those whose families have been residents for decades.

RECYCLING COMPANIES

Derichebourg Recycling USA
100 N Bath Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73117
(405) 239-7144

Standard Iron & Metal Co Llc
1501 E Reno Ave, Oklahoma City, OK 73117
(405) 232-4216

An article in the Houston Chronicle in 2012 highlighted Derichebourg's explosions and environmental concerns. See following page for article.

JFK Residents have been experiencing very similar things over the last several years as you will see in the following report.



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HOUSTON CHRONICLE

Danger in air near metal recyclers

Metal recyclers emit carcinogenic pollutant

Ingrid Lobet | Dec. 29, 2012 | Updated: Jan. 9, 2013 2:54 p.m.



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Derichebourg Recycling USA in Houston has invested millions of dollars to address problems with smoke, fire and explosions.

Photo: Nick de la Torre, Staff

The calls to the city of Houston's 311 help line came in the early morning and the middle of the night - complaints of red smoke, yellow smoke, explosions, fire, a child having trouble breathing.

Reports like these - 189 of them over the last five years - led Houston air authorities to discover a previously unrecognized and dangerous source of air pollution: metal recyclers and car crushers, according to interviews and documents obtained by the Houston Chronicle.

The smoke comes from cutting metal with torches and from fire when vehicle gas tanks aren't drained properly. Explosions can occur when propane tanks are fed into the maw of the crushers.

Descriptions of shattering noise, cracked walls and smoke were significant enough that the city had to "dedicate a good amount of effort responding to these complaints," said Arturo Blanco, chief of the city's Bureau of Pollution Control and Prevention.

Subsequent testing outside five Houston metal recycling operations found dangerous levels of hexavalent chromium. Chrome VI, as it's also called, is a high priority for air experts.

<https://www.houstonchronicle.com/news/houston-texas/houston/article/Danger-in-air-near-metal-recyclers-4154951.php#photo-3961395>

The article dives deeper into Derichebourg Recycling USA dangerous business practices.

THE CITY OF OKLAHOMA CITY

In 2013, the residence of JFK were told to report all explosions to Oklahoma City's Action Center. The Action Center is the one-stop contact center for non-emergency concerns that Oklahoma City resident see or experience.

In July of 2018, after reporting explosions for years, the Action Center notified us that they are aware of the explosions but they have no jurisdiction in the matter.

When we asked for documentation from our years of reporting the Action Center could not provide it. We were told that there was no documentation through their office of the 'booms' but that calls were reported to the Fire Marshall.

The Fire Marshall has told us that he's done all he can within his authority.

February 2011:

Inspector William McCain with OKC Fire Department is aware of booms and has been working to track it for the past 3 years.

Subject: Fw: Action Center #272082

Jeff,

I am sending you a number of email correspondence concerning the "booms" I talked with Inspector William McCain, OKC Fire Department and he expressed interest in attending one of our neighborhood meetings. He needs a formal request on JFKNA letterhead. Inspector McCain is aware of the booms and has been working on trying to track this for the past 3 years. He expressed the importance of recording the date and time of each occurrence.

Denyvetta

May 2016:

Scott White, Oklahoma City Fire Marshal's Office, visits Derichebourg Recycling Plant

On May 9, 2016, at 1:32 PM, <scott.white@okc.gov> <scott.white@okc.gov> wrote:

Ms. Davis,

I visited the Derichebourg Recycling Plant today. I visited with the manager about the incident on May 7, 2016 that you referenced in your complaint to the action center. He acknowledged that they did have an explosion on that day. I reviewed the company's explosion log book and it had been recorded. I visited with him about the importance of preventing future explosions. He agreed that preventing these types of incidents is important and explained the precautions they take to minimize the possibility of an explosion. In addition to recording any future explosions in their log book, they will be contacting me directly as well. If you have any questions, or I can be of any additional assistance, please contact me. Thank you.

Major Scott White
Fire Marshal's Office
[2300 General Pershing](#)
[Oklahoma City, OK 73107](#)

May 2018:

Scott White informs us that he's done everything in his authority but it's obviously not enough.

From: White, Scott M
Sent: Tuesday, May 01, 2018 10:28 AM
To: Crisp, Robert E
Subject: RE: JFK Booms

Ms. Davis,

I did meet with Councilman Pettis on April 17th. He agreed that the booms coming from the recycling plant were occurring far too frequently. He told me that he was going to address it. I have sent two emails to Elaine Nelson so that I can give the information to a city code officer and have not received a reply. Beth Crouse with the Action Center did inform our office that city code enforcement officers do not deal with the booms reported from citizens. I do not understand this as it is a noise complaint issue. I have done everything within my authority that I can do to assist you and the citizens in the JFK neighborhood and it is obviously not enough. I believe that continued conversations with Councilman Pettis would be the best course of action to take. I am sorry that I could not resolve this problem for you.

Major Scott White
OKC Fire Marshal's Office
Office: [405-297-3584](tel:405-297-3584)
Cell: [405-417-8809](tel:405-417-8809)

July 2018:

Rhonda Massey notifies us that the city is aware of the booms but has no jurisdiction in the matter.

On Jul 30, 2018, at 11:40 AM, Massey, Rhonda <rhonda.massey@okc.gov> wrote:

Good Morning,

Thank you for contacting the Action Center. I'm sorry. We are aware of these booms, and unfortunately, the City does not have any codes addressing this problem. We have no jurisdiction in this matter. Feel free to contact the Action Center at [405-297-2535](tel:405-297-2535) if you have further questions.

Rhonda Massey

Action Center Representative
City of Oklahoma City
[200 N. Walker Ave.](#) 2nd Floor
Oklahoma City, OK 73102
[405.297.2535](tel:405.297.2535)

August 2018:

Since they are no longer recording our calls/emails we ask for a report of them. Tiffani Sanders notifies us that there is no documentation through the Action Center

From: "Sanders, Tiffani N" <tiffani.sanders@okc.gov>
Date: August 8, 2018 at 11:24:07 AM CDT
To: Denyveta Davis <denyedavis@gmail.com>
Subject: RE: "Boom" hear in JFK Neighborhood

The calls have been reported to Fire Code Inspector Steve White at 297-3479 either by phone call or email. There are no documentations through our office about the "booms" only to let Mr. White know per City Council when we received calls. Now per City Council there are no more calls going to Mr. White. We just learned of this new change recently.

From: Denyveta Davis [<mailto:denyedavis@gmail.com>]
Sent: Tuesday, August 7, 2018 5:36 PM
To: Sanders, Tiffani N <tiffani.sanders@okc.gov>
Subject: Re: "Boom" hear in JFK Neighborhood

Tiffani,

Thanks for letting us know that the City Of OKC would not longer address the issues of "Booms" in the JFK Neighborhood.

Since we have submitted reports/complaints to the Action Center for at least 5 years or more about the "booms", we request a statistical report on the actual number of complaints we have made. Who can provide this information and how can we get a copy of it?

Thanks,
Denvyeta

THE OFFICIAL REPORT

The city provided us a list of our neighborhood reports as well as a list from Derichebourg Recycling USA & Standard Iron.

Our neighborhood's reports only date back to 2016. Where are all the reports from 2013 to 2016?

We created a separate document to compare Oklahoma City's log to the Recycling Companies log. Cells highlighted in yellow are Oklahoma City's recorded explosions not recorded/reported by the Recycling Companies.

Since 2016, 23 explosions were logged by the Oklahoma City that were not logged/reported by Derichebourg Recycling USA

Derichebourg Recycling USA & Standard Iron did not report the time of explosion. As stated in news reports, they take this very seriously, if so they would have all information tracked. Why was time of explosion not reported?

City of Oklahoma City Official Explosion Log	Derichebourg Recycling USA Official Explosion Log			
05/07/16 – 1130	05/17/16 D.R. Co.			
06/13/16 – 1350	06/21/16 D.R. Co.			
06/13/16 – 1045	06/27/16 D.R. Co.			
06/15/16 – 0618	07/05/16 D.R. Co.			
06/22/16 – 0548	07/05/16 D.R. Co.			
06/27/16 – 1339	07/25/16 D.R. Co.			
07/05/16 – 0933	09/02/16 D.R. Co.			
07/05/16 – 1438	10/04/16 D.R. Co.			
07/12/16 – 1445	10/13/16 D.R. Co.			
10/13/16 – 0842	10/26/16 D.R. Co.			
11/26/16 – 1300	11/23/16 D.R. Co.			
12/20/16 – 0619	11/26/16 D.R. Co.			
01/27/17 – 0930	12/02/16 D.R. Co.			
02/20/17 – 0750	12/07/16 D.R. Co.			
03/21/17 – 0759	12/20/16 D.R. Co.			
06/05/17 – 0819	01/12/17 D.R. Co.			
07/10/17 – 0934	02/13/17 D.R. Co.			
08/29/17 – 0736	02/17/17 D.R. Co.			
08/30/17 – 0844	02/20/17 D.R. Co.			
09/07/17 – Unknown	03/21/17 D.R. Co.			
09/16/17 – Unknown	05/22/17 D.R. Co.			
09/19/17 - 1330	06/05/17 D.R. Co.			
09/21/17 – 1318	08/02/17 D.R. Co.			
10/10/17 – 0855	09/07/17 D.R. Co.			
10/20/17 – 1035	10/16/17 Standard Iron			
10/24/17 – 0745	10/17/18 D.R. Co.			
10/24/17 – 1006	10/24/18 D.R. Co.			
12/17/17 – 0904	11/10/17 D.R. Co.			
12/23/17 – 1108	11/30/17 D.R. Co.			
12/28/17 – 1353	01/03/18 Standard Iron			
01/03/18 – 1538	03/10/18 D.R. Co.			
03/03/18 – 0851	03/16/18 D.R. Co.			
03/17/18 – 1138	04/11/18 D.R. Co.			
03/19/18 – 1355				
04/11/18 – 0804				

THE OFFICIAL REPORT

JFK Residents have reported explosions to Action Center (prior to us being notified they don't handle it anymore) that were not on the official City report.

Here is a list of explosions reported to Action Center, by only one resident, that were not recorded on the city's official log. How many other reports were made to the Action Center that were not reported?

Date: 3.10.18

Time: 8:06am

Date: 3.10.18

Time: 10:55

Date: 4.18.18

Time: 9:19am

Date: 5.2.18

Time: 9:31am

Date: 5.2.18

Time: 11:11am

LaDonna's Boom Tracker

1/11/12 10:39am
1/16/12 10:19am
1/24/12 1:14 pm
3/16/12 9:45 am
3/30/12 10:13am
4/5/12 10:18am
4/13/12 8:41am
5/9/12 11:53am
5/22/12 9:56am
6/6/12 9:34am
7/25/12 8:52am
8/6/12 1:58pm
9/11/12 10:33 am
9/28/12 10:07am
12/19/12 12:12pm
1/24/13 2:30
2/6/13 11:27am
2/7/13 1:31 pm
2/15/13 10:18 am
3/14/13 10:01 am
3/14/13 10:55 am
4/11/13 2:52 pm
4/22/13 1:45pm
4/25/13 11:19am
5/7/13 10:09 am
7/18/13 7:05 am 2 e-mails from JFK Neighborhood Residents
8/1/13 10:30 am 2 calls from JFK Neighborhood Residents
8/1/13 1:36 pm
8/29/13 5:51 am E-mail from Neighbor
9/12/13 8:02 am E-mail from Neighbor
9/24/13 1:17 pm
9/25/13 3:56 the worst boom I have ever heard neighbors ran out of 5 houses on Bath Ave scared this one shook the house like crazy
10/2/13 2:57pm another big boom not as bad as the one on the 9/25 but still one of the larger ones
10/8/13 10:28am Big Boom
10/16/13 2:18pm Big Boom

2011 – JFK Resident Explosion Reports

March 2011

3/12/11 9:14 am

3/15/11 6:30 am

3/16/11 1:00 pm

3/18/11 7:47 am

April 2011

9th at 9:39 am

17th at 2:39 pm

21st at 6:27 am

24th at 8:27 am

26th at 7:27 am

May 2011

10th at 8:08 am

11th at 5:45 am

June 2011

14th at 9:52 am

July 2011

6th at 7:00 am

22nd at 2:33 pm

23rd at 8:36 pm

August 2011

3rd at 7:20 am

26th at 7:21 am

OKLAHOMA CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY OFFICIAL REPORT

The JFK Neighborhood Board recently found out that the Oklahoma Housing Authority has been keeping record of the explosions since 2015. They are located a few hundred yards from Derichebourg Recycling USA.

Since 2016, 103 explosions were logged by the Oklahoma City Housing Authority that were not logged/reported by Derichebourg Recycling USA.

Cells highlighted in yellow are Oklahoma City Housing Authority's recorded explosions not recorded/reported by the Recycling Companies.



Derichebourg 2018Explosion Log	2018			Derichebourg 2017 Explosion Log	2017			Derichebourg 2016 Explosion Log	2016			Derichebourg 2015 Explosion Log	2015		
	Date	Time	Size		Date	Time	Size		Date	Time	Size		Date	Time	Size
01/03/18 Standard Iron	3-Jan	3:38 PM	large	01/12/17 D.R. Co.	9-Jan	11:03 AM	small	Report started May 2016	1-Jan	10:06 AM	large	Not on report	5-Jan	1:18 PM	small
03/10/18 D.R. Co.	18-Jan	7:13 AM	large	02/13/17 D.R. Co.	12-Jan	8:04 AM	medium		10-Feb	8:09 AM	large	Not on report	8-Jan	8:52 AM	large
03/16/18 D.R. Co.	18-Jan	1:22 PM	small	02/17/17 D.R. Co.	12-Jan	8:52 AM	large	16-Feb	9:04 AM	large	Not on report	9-Jan	2:41 PM	small	
04/11/18 D.R. Co.	24-Jan	6:59 AM	large	02/20/17 D.R. Co.	23-Jan	8:32 AM	large	29-Feb	12:56 PM	large	Not on report	26-Jan	12:44 PM	large	
	25-Jan	10:03 AM	small	03/21/17 D.R. Co.	26-Jan	7:40 AM	small	13-Mar	11:34 AM	large	Not on report	29-Jan	8:24 AM	medium	
	26-Jan	2:20 PM	large	05/22/17 D.R. Co.	27-Jan	9:34 AM	huge	2-Mar	8:43 AM	medium	Not on report	2-Feb	2:54 PM	huge	
	29-Jan	3:14 PM	small	06/05/17 D.R. Co.	9-Feb	8:32 AM	small		1:03 PM	large	Not on report	4-Feb	2:46 PM	medium	
	8-Mar	4:36 PM	large	08/02/17 D.R. Co.	9-Feb	11:09 AM	large	10-Mar	8:41 AM	small		2-Mar	1:00 PM	large	
	9-Mar	1:28 PM	large	09/07/17 D.R. Co.	17-Feb	8:40 AM	huge	17-Mar	11:35 AM	large		3-Apr	10:30 AM	small	
	16-Mar	7:59 AM	large	10/16/17 Standard Iron	20-Feb	7:49 AM	huge	18-Mar	10:51 AM	medium		16-Apr	8:58 AM	large	
	16-Mar	9:14 AM	small	10/17/18 D.R. Co.	21-Feb	9:17 AM	large	22-Mar	10:52 AM	large			2:15 PM	small	
	19-Mar	1:55 PM	large	10/24/18 D.R. Co.	24-Feb	2:11 PM	large	14-Apr	9:43 AM	small		6-May	9:22 AM	small	
	21-Mar	2:10 PM	very small	11/10/17 D.R. Co.	1-Mar	8:16 AM	large	20-Apr	7:51 AM	large		8-Jun	7:48 AM	large	
	6-Apr	1:24 PM	large	11/30/17 D.R. Co.	9-Mar	2:18 PM	large	29-Apr	2:56 PM	large		12-Jun	11:50 AM	large	
	11-Apr	8:04 AM	huge		21-Mar	7:47 AM	huge	05/17/16 D.R. Co.	9-May	7:50 AM	large		25-Jun	8:07 AM	small
	12-Apr	7:37 AM	small		23-Mar	11:47 AM	small	06/21/16 D.R. Co.	9-May	9:30 AM	small		26-Jun	2:40 PM	large
	12-Apr	8:16 AM	medium		27-Mar	8:44 AM	small	06/27/16 D.R. Co.	12-May	11:04 AM	large		13-Jul	9:43 AM	small
	13-Apr	7:39 AM	medium		10-Apr	7:43 AM	small	07/05/16 D.R. Co.	16-May	7:50 AM	medium		17-Jul	1:48 PM	large
	18-Apr	9:19 AM	medium		10-Apr	9:57 AM	small	07/05/16 D.R. Co.	19-May	10:25 AM	medium		6-Aug	8:15 AM	large
		2:51 PM	medium		11-Apr	7:55 AM	very small	07/25/16 D.R. Co.	6-Jun	2:29 PM	large		11-Aug	2:54 PM	large
	23-Apr	9:01 AM	large		20-Apr	1:15 PM	large	09/02/16 D.R. Co.	13-Jun	10:53 AM	large		12-Aug	10:48 AM	small
	1-May	8:50 AM	large		24-Apr	11:43 AM	large	10/04/16 D.R. Co.	13-Jun	2:01 PM	small		18-Aug	10:04 AM	huge
	2-May	9:31 AM	large		2-May	2:15 PM	small	10/13/16 D.R. Co.	13-Jun	2:33 PM	small		10:12 AM	large	
		11:10 AM	huge		3-May	11:41 AM	small	10/26/16 D.R. Co.	21-Jun	1:02 PM	large		24-Aug	7:04 AM	small
	7-May	8:27 AM	medium		8-May	8:16 AM	small	11/23/16 D.R. Co.	21-Jun	1:12 PM	small		31-Aug	7:03 AM	small
	30-May	10:42 AM	large		15-May	3:04 PM	large	11/26/16 D.R. Co.	23-Jun	2:48 PM	small		8-Sep	11:33 AM	small
	31-May	8:39 AM	large		19-Jun	9:43 AM	large	12/02/16 D.R. Co.	27-Jun	1:42 PM	large		30-Sep	12:47 PM	large
	1-Jun	2:56 PM	large		25-May	2:42 PM	medium	12/07/16 D.R. Co.	5-Jul	9:33 AM	large		12-Oct	1:39 PM	small
	6-Jun	9:29 AM	large		5-Jun	8:19 AM	huge	12/20/16 D.R. Co.	5-Jul	2:38 PM	large		15-Oct	8:18 AM	small
	14-Jun	7:59 AM	small		21-Jun	8:08 AM	large		12-Jul	2:45 PM	large		19-Oct	9:04 AM	small
		11:31 AM	huge		10-Jul	9:34 AM	huge		20-Jul	7:27 AM	small		16-Nov	3:01 PM	small
		2:37 PM	small		13-Jul	8:46 AM	small		21-Jul	7:37 AM	small		19-Nov	1:06 PM	large
	15-Jun	8:01 AM	large		18-Jul	1:23 PM	small		25-Jul	6:34 AM	large		25-Nov	10:35 AM	medium
	18-Jun	9:06 AM	small		25-Jul	9:33 AM	medium		3-Aug	7:24 AM	small		2-Dec	9:39 AM	large
	20-Jun	8:01 AM	large		25-Jul	3:23 PM	small		3-Aug	10:48 AM	medium		8-Dec	7:39 AM	large
	26-Jun	9:44 AM	small		25-Jul	3:41 PM	small		10-Aug	1:45 PM	small		18-Dec	8:39 AM	large
	3-Jul	8:08 AM	large		2-Aug	7:43 AM	medium		2-Sep	11:07 AM	medium		11:09 AM	medium	
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	19-Jul	8:22 AM	large		30-Aug	11:19 AM	large		4-Oct	7:50 AM	large				
		1:11 PM	large		31-Aug	7:36 AM	large		10-Oct	2:46 PM	large				
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FIRE CODE

International Fire Code-2009 as adopted by the City of Oklahoma City.

#14 - Chapter One, Section 105.6.45 is amended to add the following sub-section:
Approved by City Council, February 25, 2014 (Relates to Derichebourg Recycling Center) 105.6.45.1

Precautions during operations. Vehicle recycling of any kind conducted in these facilities shall comply with Section 911 and the following: 1. Establish and follow procedures for removal of all fuel tanks, compressed gas cylinders prior to shredding, crushing or compacting. 2. Provide for ventilation of shredders or other machinery according to manufacturer's specifications. 3. Cleaning and maintenance according to manufacturer's specifications to prevent metal dust build-up. 4. Immediate reporting to the fire code official of any and all explosions due to operations conducted on site, and maintenance of an on-site log of explosions. Reporting shall be pursuant to procedures established by the fire code official. 5. Hours of operations of shredding, crushing or compacting equipment are limited to 7:00a.m. to 7:00p.m. Temporary exceptions to the starting time may be granted by the fire code official, but hours of operation shall not be permitted before 5:00 a.m. nor be conducted more than 12 hours in a single day.

<https://www.okc.gov/home/showdocument?id=5816>



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OKLAHOMA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY

MARY FALLIN
Governor

8/24/2018

[REDACTED]
Oklahoma City, OK 73117

RE: Complaint number 156098

Dear [REDACTED]

This letter will provide you with the final results on your complaint. I investigated on August 23, 2018, the nature of the complaint received. I observed that the facility does have an active Storm Water permit with the DEQ, no appearance of "carcinogenic pollutant" in the air, or "loud explosions." I did observe an occasional loud noise, but later observed it to be a front-end loader moving the recycled material around the facility's property. No violations were observed during the investigation. Due to no violations were observed, this complaint will be closed.

Please contact this office if we can be of further assistance.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads 'Matthew Johnson'.

Matthew Johnson
EPS
Oklahoma City DEQ OFFICE

cc: Jennifer Handley, Complaints Manager



CURRENT STATUS OF EXPLOSIONS

JFK Neighborhood Residents are frustrated, tired and have lost hope that this issue will be resolved. For over 8 years residents have been working with city departments and officials to get the explosions to stop and it seems that they are getting the 'run-around'. We've talked with the Action Center, Police, Fire, City Council and the media. It seems that nobody is responsible and has any authority to do anything about the issue.

Contact:

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